

POLICE Scanner

Sunday, March 21

12:56 a.m. - Traffic accident at the intersection of Cherry Avenue NE and Ring Street NE.

2:13 p.m. - Physical harassment in the 800 block of Plymouth Drive NE.

12:42 p.m. - Arrest for restraining order violation in the 5000 block of River Road N.

4:30 p.m. - Arson in the 1000 block of Mandarin Way NE.

Monday, March 22

12:30 a.m. - Sudden death in the 200 block of Juedes Avenue N.

2:10 p.m. - Physical harassment in the 3000 block of River Road N.

4:20 p.m. - Shoplifting in the 6000 block of Ulali Drive.

4:40 p.m. - Purse snatching in the 600 block of Cummings Lane N.

8 p.m. - Mail theft in the 5000 block of Keizer Court NE.

Tuesday, March 23

9:20 a.m. - Criminal trespassing in the 6000 block of Ulali Drive.

9:26 a.m. - Forgery in the 6000 block of Ulali Drive.

10:33 a.m. - Criminal trespassing in the 5000 block of Ulali Drive.

11:20 a.m. - Shoplifting in the 6000 block of Ulali Drive.

12:30 p.m. - Criminal trespassing in the 6000 block of Ulali Drive.

5:19 p.m. - Probation violation in the 4000 block of River Road N.

5:20 p.m. - Shoplifting in the 5000 block of River Road N.

6:31 p.m. - Criminal trespassing in the 4000 block of Elizabeth Street N.

7:29 p.m. - Sudden death in the 900 block of Sagrada Circle N.

Wednesday, March 24

2:02 p.m. - Resisting arrest in the 4000 block of River Road N.

3:24 p.m. - Reckless burning in the 6000 block of Ulali Drive.

5:37 p.m. - Traffic accident at the intersection of Lockhaven Drive N and River Road N.

Thursday, March 25

10:37 a.m. - Unlawful possession of methamphetamine in the 6000 block of Keizer Station Blvd.

4:01 p.m. - Shoplifting in the 3000 block of River Road N.

4:14 p.m. - Physical harassment in the 3000 block of Partridge Lane NE.

9:27 p.m. - Fraud use of credit card in the 5000 block of Autumn Leaf Court N.

10:06 p.m. - Traffic accident at the intersection of Chemawa Road NE and Ulali Drive NE.

DMV renewals go digital in May

Many Oregon residents will be able to renew their driver licenses, permits and identification cards online at DMV2U starting in early May, possibly as early as May 5.

The new feature coming to DMV2U.Oregon.gov will save thousands of customers a trip to a DMV office and free up appointment times for others. Demand for appointment slots and DMV services remains high because of the COVID-19 backlog.

After renewing online, they will be able to print a receipt to carry with them. Law enforcement can verify driving privileges electronically in the event of a traffic stop.

The online option comes at a critical time. DMV mails renewal reminders to customers about two months before expiration. But many reminders intended to be mailed this winter were delayed by a programming error. Those customers may be eligible to renew online in May faster than waiting for an appointment. News of the online renewal option has been added to the mailed reminders.

Starting in May drivers will be able to renew their license, ID card, instruction permit and more. Online renewal

will allow drivers to change addresses if they have moved and add or remove the organ donation option on their record.

In order to qualify for online renewal your card must be within 13 months of its expiration date, previous renewal must have been done in person at a DMV office. Suspended drivers and those who owe rein statement fee from a previous suspension are not eligible.

For the next two years, DMV will postpone the vision test required for drivers age 50 and older who renew online. This will enable more Oregonians to renew online instead of making an appointment at DMV.

Drivers 50 and older who renew online will be required to pass that screening no later than their next renewal.

Drivers can find out if they are eligible to renew a current Oregon card online, in early May go to DMV2U.Oregon.gov and start using the online renewal option. The website will ask a series of questions and, if eligible, allow renewal online. Fees can be paid online using a debit/credit card.

More information on accessing DMV services: oregon.gov/odot/dmv/pages/covid_alert.Aspix.

County circuit court adopts text messaging alerts

In a criminal case, failure to appear can result in an arrest warrant and new charges for failure to appear, the process can become a never-ending spiral if left unattended.

In a civil case, failing to show up for a court date can lead to a default judgment or a dismissal, depending on which party fails to appear.

The Oregon Judicial Department (OJD) is launching a new service to provide case parties with the opportunity to receive text message reminders for court hearings and changes. Marion County Circuit Court is taking part in the early phases of the rollout.

The goal is to improve communication with parties directly involved in the case - including defendants, petitioners, respondents and others - and reduce instances of failing to appear in court.

"Text messaging doesn't replace official court hearing notices," explained Linda Hukari, trial court administrator for the Marion County Circuit Court. "But it does allow parties who opt in to receive text message reminders and hearing updates. It's one more way the courts are putting technology to work to improve access to justice."

Hukari noted that Oregon's state courts already provide online access to case information and court calendars; online forms and instructions, including "Guide and File" Q & A style forms

that help people follow necessary steps and use required legal language for a successful filing; electronic case filing; online payment for fines and fees; opt-in reminders for people serving jury duty; and online access to self-help legal information. Those resources are available through the Marion County Circuit Court website: www.courts.oregon.gov/Marion.

Hukari said that the service only applies to state circuit courts and Oregon's Tax Court. It does not apply to municipal or justice courts.

Parties who want to participate in text messaging will need to have a cell phone number on file with the court. This will allow them to opt-in to receive hearing notices and reminders for all upcoming or modified hearings for qualifying case and hearing types.

Hukari said the new service can include victims in criminal proceedings, to help them participate if they choose. It does not include confidential cases such as juvenile proceedings and civil commitment cases.

After the initial "early adopter" group comes online, Hukari said there will then be a 60-day pause to ensure that all new functionality is working properly prior to a phased statewide rollout. She said the goal is to offer the new service statewide by July.

For more information, visit www.courts.oregon.gov.

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