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Downed power line sparks two-alarm fire

On Sunday, June 27 about 7:20 p.m., Keizer Fire District (KFD) was dispatched to a power line down near the 4300 block of Rowan Ave N. as more 911 calls came in it was guickly upgraded to a house fire.

Upon arrival, the fire crew called for a second alarm as a house, power pole, cars and a neighboring shed was on fire. Due to the excessive heat and wind, the fire moved rapidly and several spot fires occurred from embers at neighboring homes. Several spot fires were also in backyards creating access issues and roads were blocked by down power lines

Keizer Police Department blocked roads, located spot fires and worked to evacuate neighboring homes with the

assistance of Marion County Sheriff's Office.

KFD received assistance from Salem Fire, Marion County Fire and Falckk Ambulance. In total there were nine engines, two battalion chiefs, one squad. three medic units and one fire investigator on scene.

Power was out to over 50 homes while crews worked to extinguish the fire, investigate and the Salem Electric has to repair/replace lines.

During this event Falck Ambulance, Marion County Fire and Salem Fire Department responded to three of calls for service in Keizer while KFD was busy at the scene.



Sunday, June 20

2:28 a.m. - Arrest for robbery in the 5000 block of River Road N.

3 a.m. - Theft in the 5000 block of 10^{th} Avenue NE.

8 a.m. - Sudden death in the 4000 block of Birch Avenue N.

10:01 a.m. - Parole violation in the 6000 block of Keizer Station Blvd NE.

6:13 p.m. - Assault in the 800 block of Foothill Court NE.

Monday, June 21

4 a.m. - Burglary in the 1000 block of Hidden Creek Drive NE.

7:39 a.m. - Missing auto in the 5000 block of River Road N.

10:20 a.m. - Criminal trespassing in the 1000 block of Sieberg Street NE.

Tuesday, June 22

11:39 a.m. - Graffiti in the 2000 block of Tepper Lane NE.

12:28 p.m. - Strangulation in the 1000 block of Kinglet Way NE.

3:57 p.m. - Theft in the 1000 block of Rushmore Avenue N.

10:29 p.m. - Telephonic harassment in the 900 block of Moneda Avenue N.

11:43 p.m. - Driving under the influence of intoxicants in the 900 block of Moneda Avenue N.

Wednesday, June 23

8 p.m. - Motor vehicle theft at the intersection of Chehalis Court N and Chemawa Road N.

8:07 p.m. - Mail theft in the 100 block of Evans Avenue N.

9:19 p.m. - Criminal trespassing in the 5000 block of Chehalis Drive N.

Thursday, June 24

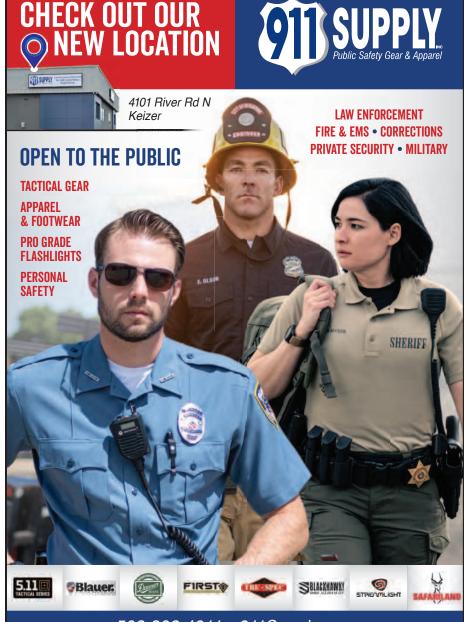
4:22 p.m. - Driving under the influence of intoxicants in the 8000 block of Wheatland Road N.



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COVID-19 restrictions lifted despite missing vaccine goal

As of June 30, Marion County residents can roam maskless and fill enclosed spaces previously under capacity limits as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Gov. Kate Brown announced the state would drop all of its pandemic-related restrictions despite narrowly missing its

with at least one vaccination dose. "I'm proud of our collective efforts

goal of having 70 percent of residents

to vaccinate more than 2.3 million Oregonians. It is because of this success that we can move Oregon forward, and into the next chapter of this pandemic. We are ready," said Brown in a press release.

As a result of the changes, there is now no restriction on the number of people allowed in schools, restaurants, movie theaters, gyms, churches and businesses. Statewide, public buildings will be opened for business, but masks will still be required in health care settings, airports, for air travel and on public transport to comply with federal guidelines.

Local school boards will still get to decide whether or not to require masks when classes resume in the fall.

Oregon still needed about 20,000 residents to achieve the 70% vaccination rate, but state authorities expect it to happen shortly after the July 4 holiday. In Marion County, only 60% of residents have received at least the first dose of a COVIC-19 vaccination.

Every resident of the state 12 and older is eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. More information about the vaccine and where to get the shot is available at: covidvaccine.oregon.gov.

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