

UMATILLA COUNTY’S
Most Wanted
Saturday, Dec. 26, 2015

Umatilla County Community Corrections and the *East Oregonian* are cooperating in this weekly publication of descriptions of people who are wanted. The persons below have criminal warrants. If you see any of these people, do not attempt to apprehend them yourself. If you know where these people may be, contact dispatch at (541) 966-3651 or Community Corrections at 276-7824.

- Askins, Anthony Lawrence**
Felon with weapon

Espino, Antonio Pete
Assault, burglary, felon with weapon

Ibarra, Juan Manuel
Sexual abuse
- Ortega Jr., Jose Raul**
Delivery/manufacture of controlled substance. (3 counts)

Salinas, Andrew Jacob
Assault, riot, selling marijuana

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Warrants
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The *East Oregonian* receives a list of warrants on the Friday before publication of the weekend edition. The warrants below are outstanding as of Dec. 25, 2015.

- Brown, Evann Scott**
Theft
Bail: \$5,000

Escalante Munoz, Cosme Damian
Giving false information to police, possession of forged instrument, seat belt moving violation (passenger)
Bail: \$10,000

Fife, Trenton Duane
DUII
Bail: \$5,000

Gornick, Jacob Allen
Assault
No bail
- Johnson, Tarra Kay**
DUII, driving while suspended
No bail

Pourier, Maynard Myers
Driving while suspended
Bail: \$20,000

Rambel, Matthew James
DUII No bail

Solis, Andres
DUII Bail: \$5,000

Yancy, James
Theft
Bail: \$10,000

Zequeira, David
Theft
Bail: \$15,000

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BRIEFLY
Man suing tree nursery, claims he was harassed for being gay

MILTON-FREEWATER — A former employee of a Milton-Freewater nursery is seeking \$75,000 in a lawsuit alleging coworkers and supervisors mistreated him because he is gay.

Attorney Danny Thiemann with the Oregon Law Center, Hillsboro, filed the pleading Dec. 21 in Umatilla County Circuit Court, Pendleton, on behalf of Gerardo Romero Romero.

Romero, also known as Jesus Martinez Castaneda, is suing the tree wholesale grower J. Frank Schmidt & Son Co., which has headquarters in Boring and the nursery in Milton-Freewater. Romero is seeking \$75,000 from the company for emotional duress and suffering after years of co-workers’ hostility and belligerence.

Romero in the court document states he is openly gay and alleges he worked for the Schmidt & Son nursery from 2001 until the company fired him on July 24, 2014. During his employment co-workers harassed, mocked and even pushed him around because of his sexual orientation, according to the lawsuit. Romero claims he told supervisors about the harassment, but they took no action to stop it and instead threatened to fire him.

He also asserted heterosexual employees received promotions and better treatment, and the company finally terminated his employment because he is gay.

Schmidt & Son has yet to file a response, and the court has not set any hearing dates.

Umatilla County sheriff ups patrols to stop impaired drivers

PENDLETON — The Umatilla County Sheriff’s Office is again out to stop drunk and high drivers this holiday season.

The sheriff’s office announced it is participating in the national “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” enforcement campaign period through Jan. 1 to keep impaired drivers off the road and encourage reporting of impaired drivers. The Oregon State Sheriff’s Association provided the grant to fund the extra patrols.

Sheriff’s Sgt. Joshua Roberts warned impaired drivers can face jail time, fines, the loss of driving privileges and more that amount to an average of \$10,000. He also stated refusing to take an intoxication level breath test means the loss of your driver’s license “on the spot.”

And the sheriff’s office urged people to report suspected impaired drivers. You can call the sheriff’s 24-hour dispatch center at 541-966-3651 or 9-1-1 if it appears to be an emergency.

Briefs are compiled from staff and wire reports, and press releases. Email press releases to news@eastoregonian.com

MEETINGS

- MONDAY, DEC. 28**
UMATILLA BASIN WATER-SHED COUNCIL, 6 p.m., Stamford Hunsell Government Center, 915 S.E. Columbia Drive, Hermiston OR Pendleton City Hall community room, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave.

HERMISTON CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Hermiston City Hall, 180 N.E. Second St.

IRRIGON COMMUNITY PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT, 7 p.m., Irrigon Fire Station, 705 N. Main St., Irrigon.

MORROW COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT, 7 p.m., Pioneer Memorial Hospital, 564 E. Pioneer Drive, Heppner.
- TUESDAY, DEC. 29**
No meetings scheduled

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 30
UMATILLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, 9 a.m., Umatilla County Courthouse room 130, 216 S.E. Fourth St., Pendleton.

THURSDAY, DEC. 31
No meetings scheduled

FRIDAY, JAN. 1
No meetings scheduled

- WEDNESDAY**
- A Umatilla resident at 11:45 a.m. reported the theft of her back license plate from her vehicle at Columbia Crest Apartments, 1500 Second St., Umatilla.
 - An lone mother at 12:09 p.m. reported she had not heard from her son in a week, and he has not shown up to work. She said the last time they spoke he was going to the mountains.
 - The Umatilla County Sheriff’s Office at 12:33 p.m. took a report of mail theft on Korvola Road, Pendleton, involving a dark blue Jeep Cherokee covered in mud.
 - An employee of a power company at about 3 p.m. was replacing a meter on a house outside Hermiston and reported someone put a lock on the meter that connected the positive and negative terminals, damaging the meter.
 - A Heppner woman at 3:48 p.m. reported getting phone calls from someone regarding a problem with her computer — the person even called at 11 p.m. Tuesday — but she does not have a computer. A Morrow County sheriff’s deputy contacted the woman.
 - An Irrigon woman at about 4 p.m. reported someone was stalking her.
 - A driver with UPS at 4:16 p.m. reported she was on Naches Avenue, Umatilla, and believed a vehicle was following her. She said she stopped and asked what the driver needed, and he told her he was a mortgage broker and to mind her own business.
 - A woman at 9:07 p.m. told Pendleton police she wanted to make a report about the threatening text messages someone keeps sending her.
 - An Irrigon woman at 11:25 p.m. reported her drunk boyfriend grabbed her throat and broke two phones to keep her from called 9-1-1, and his 15-year-old son had to break up the fight. The boyfriend then left.
- THURSDAY**
- Residents of Linden Way, Heppner, called the Morrow County Sheriff’s Office at 4:35 a.m. to report what sounded like an explosion in the area. Sheriff’s deputies investigated and were unable to locate anything.
 - Umatilla police at 5:04 a.m. received a report from a wife who said her husband had been drinking and was “acting crazy.” The dispatcher asked what she meant by that, and she replied he accused her of cheating on him.
 - A woman at 6:49 a.m. reported she lost an envelope with approximately \$1,000 at Kelly’s Restaurant & Lounge, 84509 Highway 11, Milton-Freewater, and a man found it, gave it to the bartender, but then a woman named “Jessica” claimed the money.
 - A woman at 6:59 a.m. reported she woke up and found her red 2000 Chevrolet Cavalier gone from Lorraine Avenue, Hermiston. She said she last saw it at Wednesday night around 8 and did not know if she locked it. She also said her keys were missing.
 - A resident of West Sperry Street, Heppner, reported a cow in her front yard at

- SUITS FILED**
PENDLETON — The following suits have been filed in Umatilla County courts:
- Midland Funding LLC vs. Angel Pabon; seeks \$1,130.89 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Rocky Mountain Therapy Services vs. John W. Shockman; seeks \$1,572.66 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Old West Federal Credit Union vs. Bodewig’s Renewable Energy LLC, Christopher J. Bodewig III and Kathy M. Bodewig; seeks \$25,472.08 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Barclay’s Bank Delaware vs. Dustin R. Herron; seeks \$2,292.01 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Citimortgage Inc. vs. Unknown heirs and devisees of George Corliss, unknown heirs and devisees of Irene Corliss, Joseph B. Corliss, Carolyn Irene Stiefel, Jacquelyn Fay Lucas, Marilyn Patricia Shilhanek, Lori Corliss, State of Oregon and occupants of premises; seeks \$47,636.20 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Midland Funding LLC vs. Pamela Shippentower; seeks \$1,194.67 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Sarah E. and Nathan A. Olson vs. Myrtle Violet Hill; seeks \$240,830.45 plus costs and fees.
 - Gerardo Romero Romero vs. J. Frank Schmidt & Son Co.; seeks \$75,000 plus costs and fees.
 - Clayton J. Newton vs. James R. Karmy M.D. and Motion Orthopedics PC.; seeks \$470,000 plus costs and fees.
 - The Bluffs Owners Association Inc. vs. Manuela Quintero Tejada; seeks \$851.33 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Wells Fargo Bank N.A. vs. Unknown heirs and devisees of Patrick L. Lafferty, Jody R. Lafferty, Katlin Cauffman, Leeland Lafferty, Connor Lafferty and occupants of premises; seeks \$142,903.42 plus interest, costs and fees.
- JUDGMENTS**
PENDLETON — The following judgments have been rendered in Umatilla County courts:
- Credits Inc. vs. Barbara Hess; judgment for \$5,640.56 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Credits Inc. vs. Mary Melissa Dunleavy; judgment for \$5,492.72 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Credits Inc. vs. Claudia Lopez (Morales); judgment for \$9,801.49 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Credits Inc. vs. Ivet Rodriguez; judgment for \$3,849.85 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Credits Inc. vs. Andrew George; judgment for \$4,158.87 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Midland Funding LLC vs. Tamara Morris; judgment for \$1,688.73 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC vs. Randall D. Hoyt; judgment for \$1,021.53 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Credits Inc. vs. Dale A. Munkers; judgment for \$8,862.43 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - United Finance Co. vs. Symantha Swegle; judgment for \$4,564.55 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Merchants Acceptance Corp. vs. Benito Juarez; judgment for \$3,649.39 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Asset Systems Inc. vs. Jodi L. Snook; judgment for \$762.31 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Collection Bureau of Walla Walla Inc. vs. James (Jim) and Bonnie Brannan; judgment for \$782.25 plus interest, costs and fees.
 - Credits Inc. vs. Manuel and Eva Arteaga; judgment for \$10,723.93 plus interest, costs and fees.
- SENTENCES**
PENDLETON — The following felony sentences have been imposed in Umatilla County courts:
- Tamara Sherell Sampson, 29, Pendleton, pleaded guilty to Possession of Methamphetamine; sentenced to 18 months probation, 90 sanction units, 30 maximum jail units, 80 hours community service, \$140 fine, \$2,300 fine-suspended and 6 months driver’s license suspension, plus court assessment.
 - Kirsten Nicole Goodwin, 21, Walla Walla, pleaded guilty to Aggravated Identity Theft; sentenced to 2 years probation, 90 sanction units, 30 maximum jail units, 80 hours community service, \$140 fine, \$95 comp fine and \$1,500 fine-suspended, plus court assessment.
 - Larry Dean Martin, 29, Pendleton, pleaded guilty to Possession of Methamphetamine; sentenced to 18 months probation, 90 sanction units, 30 maximum jail units, 80 hours community service, \$140 fine and \$1,500 fine-suspended, plus court assessment.

LOTTERY

Wednesday, Dec. 23

Megabucks
12-13-19-24-44-47
Estimated jackpot: \$4.2 million

Powerball
16-38-55-63-67
Powerball: 25
Power Play: 4
Estimated jackpot: \$227 million

Win for Life
52-56-67-76

Lucky Lines
02-06-09-13-FREE-18-24-28-31
Estimated jackpot: \$15,000

Pick 4
1 p.m.: 4-9-4-1
4 p.m.: 2-8-5-1
7 p.m.: 3-6-1-8
10 p.m.: 6-3-1-8

Thursday, Dec. 24

Lucky Lines
01-05-10-16-FREE-20-21-27-29
Estimated jackpot: \$16,000

Pick 4
1 p.m.: 0-2-0-0
4 p.m.: 5-9-7-5
7 p.m.: 9-2-1-2
10 p.m.: 4-1-5-1

New Year’s Eve

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PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

- 8:35 a.m. A Morrow County sheriff’s deputy contacted the cow’s owner.
 - Morrow County Sheriff’s Office at 11:34 p.m. received a report of people screaming and shots fired in the vicinity of Northwest Oregon Avenue, Irrigon. A caller reported one man saying “Show me your badge.” Sheriff’s deputies were unable to locate a disturbance.
- ARRESTS, CITATIONS**
- Thursday**
- Pendleton police arrested Thomas Wayne Burton, 39, of Pendleton, on a probation violation warrant and for aggravated fourth-degree assault, second-degree disorderly conduct, interfering with a police officer and possession of methamphetamine.
 - Milton-Freewater police arrested Jeramie Lee Gillman, 38, 300 N.E. 15th Ave., Milton-Freewater, for possession of methamphetamine.
 - Morrow County sheriff’s deputies cited and released Justin Benedict, 28, address not provided, for driving under the influence of intoxicants and no operator’s license after he was involved in a motor vehicle accident on Highway 206 near Heppner.
 - Oregon State Police arrested Travis Ross McIntyre, 34, address not provided, for duii and reckless driving.
 - Pendleton police arrested Brogan John D’Elia, 23, address not provided, on a charge of first-degree forgery.

COURTS

- fine, \$1,300 fine-suspended and 6 months driver’s license suspension, plus court assessment; was convicted of Assault IV-domestic violence (felony); sentenced to 3 years probation, 180 sanction units, 90 maximum jail units, 120 hours community service, \$140 fine and \$1,800 fine-suspended, plus court assessment.
- Thomas Lee Nelsen, 24, College Place, Wash., pleaded guilty to Possession of Methamphetamine; sentenced to 90 days jail, 1 year post-prison supervision and \$140 fine, plus court costs and fees.
- Marcus Thomas Rhorer, 35, Umatilla, pleaded guilty to Hindering Prosecution; sentenced to 3 years probation, 180 sanction units, 90 maximum jail units, \$140 fine and \$1,800 fine-suspended, plus court costs and fees; pleaded guilty to Theft II; sentenced to 180 days jail-suspended, 18 months probation, \$40 fine and \$1,249.14 restitution, plus court costs and fees.
- Riley Laroy Thurman, 24, Pendleton, pleaded guilty to Failure to Appear I; sentenced to 2 years probation, 120 sanction units, 60 maximum jail units, 100 hours community service, \$190 fine and \$1,250 fine-suspended, plus court costs and fees; pleaded guilty to Driving While Suspended; sentenced to 180 days jail-suspended, 2 years probation, 40 hours community service, \$140 fine and \$800 fine-suspended, plus court costs and fees; pleaded guilty to Unlawful Possession of Firearm; sentenced to 180 days jail-suspended, 2 years probation, 40 hours community service, \$140 fine and \$800 fine-suspended, plus court costs and fees.
- Shay Jeffery Self, 25, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to Possession of Heroin; sentenced to 3 years probation, 90 sanction units, 30 maximum jail units, \$140 fine and 6 months driver’s license suspension, plus court costs and fees; pleaded guilty to Initiating False Report; sentenced to 180 days jail-suspended, 3 years probation, \$40 fine and \$900 fine-suspended, plus court costs and fees; pleaded guilty to Failure to Perform Duties of Driver (felony); sentenced to 3 years probation, 180 sanction units, 90 maximum jail units, \$140 fine and 1 year driver’s license suspension, plus court costs and fees; pleaded guilty to Assault IV; sentenced to 90 days jail, 180 days jail-suspended, 3 years probation, \$40 fine and \$900 fine-suspended, plus court costs and fees; pleaded no contest to Recklessly Endangering Another; sentenced to 180 days jail-suspended, 3



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