

PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

Editor's Note: An arrest in the April 4, 2017 *East Oregonian* public safety log contained incorrect information. Balatazar Manuel Mendiola, 36, of Hermiston was arrested after a domestic disturbance on Sunday, April 2 but was not involved in a later disagreement at the same apartment complex during which a man pulled a gun on another man.

Also, a man stalking employees and trespassing reported in the Wednesday, April 12 public safety log was arrested at Walgreen's, 144 S.W. 20th St., Pendleton, not at Safeway.

TUESDAY

7:13 a.m. - A small child was found at Southwest Second Street and Frazer Avenue, Pendleton, without an adult around and Pendleton police were called.

8:12 a.m. - Morrow County sheriff's deputies were called when a bus was rear-ended on South Main Street and Oregon Trail Boulevard, Boardman.

9:41 a.m. - Someone may be living in one of the outbuildings at the Hermiston Warming Station, 1075 S. Highway 395, an employee told Hermiston police. She requested contact from an officer.

11:03 a.m. - An employee at Irrigon City Hall, 500 N.E. Main Ave., requested contact from a Morrow County sheriff's deputy about a major code issue. The caller said he didn't want the information going out over the radio "so they can't run."

12:03 p.m. - A Pendleton woman on Southwest Goodwin Place reported four pit bull dogs with no collars roaming in her front yard, and asked a Pendleton officer to contact her.

12:39 p.m. - A trailer hitch worth \$600 was reported stolen from a residence on Southwest Meadow View Drive, Hermiston.

1:00 p.m. - A Morrow County sheriff's deputy and Boardman emergency services responded to East Columbia Avenue and Rail Loop Drive, Boardman, when an 18-year-old man called to report a needle containing methamphetamine had broken off in his arm.

1:25 p.m. - A passing motorist spotted a safe that had been broken open and abandoned along Pole Line Road and Frontage Lane, Boardman, and reported it to the Morrow County Sheriff's Office.

2:02 p.m. - Neighbors reported a theft in progress at a vacant house on East Main Street, Hermiston.

4:01 p.m. - Prescription pain medication was reported stolen from luggage during a bus trip from Portland to Irrigon. The caller requested phone contact from a Morrow County sheriff's deputy.

4:04 p.m. - An employee with the Department of Human Services in Pendleton contacted Pendleton police to report a possible forgery incident against one of the agency's clients.

4:38 p.m. - Pendleton police were called to a residence on Southeast Byers Place after a woman reported a man took her phone, ripped her coat and pushed her down the stairs. The caller said the man was still at the scene, but she did not need medical assistance.

4:39 p.m. - A passerby saw a man passed out on Northwest Horn Avenue, Pendleton, and could not tell whether the man was breathing. Pendleton emergency services responded.

5:11 p.m. - A caller reported neighbors on Southwest Nye Avenue, Pendleton, were beating on a dog with a leather belt.

6:21 p.m. - A vehicle was reported broken into at Atkinson Staffing, 80796 N. Highway 395, Hermiston.

10:27 p.m. - Someone tried to steal prescription medication from a residence on East Jennie Avenue, Hermiston.

10:52 p.m. - A man reported to be "going a little crazy" at Knights Inn, 100 First St. N.W., Boardman, refused a ride to the hospital.

ARRESTS, CITATIONS

•Gregorio Ciprian Castro, 21, Boardman, was arrested by Oregon State Police for driving under the influence of intoxicants (alcohol), a felony.

•Hermiston police arrested Richard James Mills, 62, address not provided, on charges of second-degree burglary, a felony, and misdemeanor third-degree criminal mischief (vandalism). He was also lodged for a felony probation violation.

•Oregon State Police arrested Katie Ann Sargent, 27, address not provided, after a traffic stop for possession of methamphetamine, giving false information to police and driving while suspended, as well as on a parole violation and a Washington Department of Corrections fugitive warrant. Sargent's passenger, Adam Gingrow, 31, address not provided, also was arrested for possession of methamphetamine and on two failure to appear warrants. Both were lodged at the Umatilla County Jail, Pendleton.

DEATH NOTICES

Randy G. Johnson
Hermiston
March 12, 1974-April 9, 2017

Randy G. Johnson, 43, of Hermiston died Sunday, April 9, 2017, at his home. He was born March 12, 1974, in Hermiston. A celebration of life service will be held Sunday, April 23 at 2 p.m. at the Hermiston Conference Center. Private burial will be at the Hermiston Cemetery. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. Sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

Marlene Joy Sharer McFadden
Umatilla
Dec. 31, 1934-April 11, 2017

Marlene Joy Sharer McFadden, 82, of Umatilla died Tuesday, April 11, 2017, in Hermiston. She was born Dec. 31, 1934, in Hillsboro. A funeral service will be held Tuesday, April 18 at 2 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 15 Grant Ave., Umatilla. Burial will be Wednesday, April 19 at 1 p.m. at Juniper Haven Cemetery in Prineville. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. Sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

UPCOMING SERVIC

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

GILLIAM, HELEN — Funeral service at 11 a.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church, 140 W. Church St., Heppner. Concluding service and burial will follow at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

BIEREN, BRENT — Celebration of life service at 3 p.m. at New Hope Community Church, 1350 S. Highway 395, Hermiston.

HALVORSON, RUBY — Graveside funeral service for family and close friends at 1 p.m. at the Hermiston Cemetery.

NOBLE, ROSS — Funeral services at 11 a.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 525 N. 66th St., Springfield, Ore.

TAYLOR, PAT — Funeral services at 2 p.m. at Athena Baptist Church, 413 N. Fifth St. Concluding services and interment will follow at the Athena Cemetery.

VON ARX, ROGER — Burial at 11 a.m. at Olney Cemetery, Pendleton.

MEETINGS

THURSDAY, APRIL 13
UMATILLA-MORROW COUNTY FARM BUREAU, 12 p.m., TBA, TBA, Pendleton. (Julie Spratling 541-457-8045)

BOARDMAN RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, 1 p.m., Boardman Fire Department, 300 S. Wilson Lane, Boardman. (541-481-3473)

HERMISTON PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION, 5:30 p.m., Hermiston City Hall, 180 N.E. Second St., Hermiston. (541-567-5521)

ATHENA CITY COUNCIL, 6:30 p.m., Athena City Hall, 215 S. Third St., Athena. (541-566-3862)

UMATILLA SCHOOL DISTRICT, 7 p.m., Umatilla School District office, 1001 Sixth St., Umatilla. (541-922-6500)

FRIDAY, APRIL 14
EASTERN OREGON TRADE & EVENT CENTER AUTHORITY

TY, 7 a.m., EOTEC main building, 1705 E. Airport Road, Hermiston. (541-289-9800)

MONDAY, APRIL 17
HELIX CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Helix City Hall, 119 Columbia St., Helix. (541-457-2521)

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By CALVIN WOODWARD
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a pair of interviews, President Donald Trump gave a skewed account of auto jobs and health care under his watch and flatly contradicted himself on how long he's known his right-hand strategist, Steve Bannon.

"Many years," Trump said of their relationship back in August, when he made Bannon his campaign chief. "I didn't know him" at the time, Trump told the *New York Post* on Tuesday. Trump got it right the first time.

Why does it matter? It comes as another indication that the president may be edging away from the conservative-populist ideology as an inner-circle rift plays out in the White House. A look at some of his statements in the interviews and in a brief news conference Wednesday:

TRUMP: "I like Steve, but you have to remember he was not involved in my campaign until very late. I had already beaten all the senators and all the governors, and I didn't know Steve. I'm my own strategist and it wasn't like I was going to change strategies because I was facing crooked Hillary."

THE FACTS: Bannon was far from a stranger when he came on board near the start of the general election campaign against Democrat Hillary Clinton.

Trump and Bannon had known each other for five years when the Republican

AP FACT CHECK

Steve who? Trump shortchanges a relationship



AP Photo/Evan Vucci, File

In this Feb. 3 photo, President Donald Trump and White House chief strategist Steve Bannon are seen in the State Dining Room of the White House in Washington.

candidate, a month after accepting the nomination, hired the Breitbart executive as his campaign CEO.

David Bossie, who was deputy campaign manager, told AP after Trump took office that he introduced them in 2011 at Trump Tower and they grew to know each well, as Trump appeared multiple times on Bannon's Breitbart radio show. Bannon interviewed Trump at least nine times in 2015 and 2016 and members of his family and campaign on many other occasions. "They believe in each other's agendas, which is why they have grown so close," Bossie said.

On Aug. 17, the Trump campaign announced the hiring of Bannon and the appointment of Kellyanne Conway as campaign manager. The statement quoted Trump as saying: "'I have known Steve and Kellyanne both for many years.'"

Friction has surfaced among Trump advisers,

particularly between Bannon and Trump's son-in-law, Jared Kushner. Addressing that rift, Trump told the *Post*: "Steve is a good guy, but I told them to straighten it out or I will."

TRUMP: "I think we're doing very well on health care. It's been very much misreported that we failed with health care." — Interview with Fox Business Network, broadcast Wednesday

THE FACTS: That may well be the president's opinion, but there's little evidence objectively to back it up.

It's been nearly three weeks since House Speaker Paul Ryan yanked the Republican bill intended to repeal and replace much of Barack Obama's health care law. The problem: disagreements among GOP hardliners and moderates whose votes are needed to pass legislation that has no Democratic support. Since then, negotiations have led to some tweaks, but no

apparent breakthroughs.

The Republican bill remains deeply unpopular. March polls by Fox News and Quinnipiac University found overall margins of opposition to the legislation approaching or even exceeding those for Obama's law at its lowest point.

A recent Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research poll found that among seven major issues tested, the president got his worst rating on health care. About 6 in 10 disapproved of Trump's handling of the issue.

TRUMP: "The car industry is not going to leave us anymore, believe me. The car industry is staying in our country. They were leaving — if I didn't win this election, you would have lost your car industry to Mexico and to other countries. They're not leaving anymore, believe me. There's retribution if they leave. There was no retribution." — Fox Business interview

THE FACTS: The only "retribution" he has meted out has come on Twitter and in other rhetorical forms. He hasn't signed any laws or instituted rules to punish fleeing industries. In fact, Ford Motor Co. is still planning to move small car production from Michigan to an existing plant in Mexico next year.

Trump has made keeping auto manufacturing jobs in the U.S. a theme, needling those and other companies that planned to move operations out of the country.

Comedian Charlie Murphy, borthor of Eddie, dies at 57

NEW YORK (AP) — Charlie Murphy, older brother of Eddie Murphy and a comedy stand-up and performer in his own right, has died.

Murphy died Wednesday in New York of leukemia, according to his representative, Domenick Nati. Murphy was 57.

He was perhaps best-known for his appearances on "Chappelle's Show" on Comedy Central. He collaborated with writing his brother's starring films



Murphy

"Norbert" and "Vampire in Brooklyn." He voiced a role in the animated TV series that include "The Boondocks" and also

appeared in the comedy series "Black Jesus."

Fellow celebrities mourned his death. Comedian Chris Rock tweeted that "We just lost one of the funniest most real brothers of all time."

Former basketball great Magic Johnson tweeted that "I haven't seen anything as funny as Charlie Murphy & Dave Chappelle's skits on the Chappelle's Show!" and "Hamilton" playwright Lin-Manuel Miranda tweeted that Murphy was a "HABITUAL line-stepper..." whose "storytelling was hilarious and unforgettable."

Murphy's feature films include "Our Family Wedding," "King's Ransom" and "CB4."

He is credited with appearances to air later this year on the TV drama series "Power."

J. Geils, 'Centerfold' musician, dies at age 71

GROTON, Mass. (AP) — Musician J. Geils, founder of The J. Geils Band, known for such peppy early '80s pop hits as "Freeze Frame" and "Centerfold," has died in his Massachusetts home. He was 71.

Groton police said officers responded to Geils' home around 4 p.m. Tuesday for a well-being check and found him unresponsive. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

"A preliminary investigation indicates that Geils died of natural causes," police said in a statement.

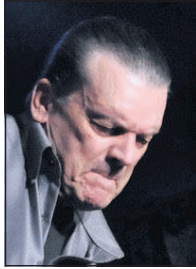
The J. Geils Band was founded in 1967 in Worcester, Massachusetts, while Geils, whose full name was John Warren Geils Jr., was studying mechanical engineering at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Geils served as the band's guitarist. Bandmates included Danny Klein, Richard "Magic Dick" Salwitz, Stephen Jo

Bladd, Peter Wolf and Seth Justman.

The band, whose music blended blues rock, R&B, soul and pop, released 11 studio albums and built a large following due to their energetic live shows, as well as their unusual use of the harmonica as a lead instrument. The band broke up in 1985 but reunited off and on over the years.

Its biggest hits included "Must of Got Lost," which reached No. 12 on Billboard's Top 100 in 1975, and "Love Stinks," a humorous rant against unrequited love, the title song of the group's 1980 album. The song "Centerfold," from the album "Freeze Frame," was released in 1981 and eventually charted at No. 1 on the pop chart in February 1982. It stayed there for six weeks.

The band was nominated for the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame for the fourth time last fall but once again was not selected as part of the 2017 class.



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