# Cottage Grove Retrospective

A look back at Sentinel stories from 30 and 60 years ago

## Feb. 10, 1977 **Poster Child Chosen**

Nine year old Eric Beagley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Beagley, has been chose Poster child for the Central Oregon Chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

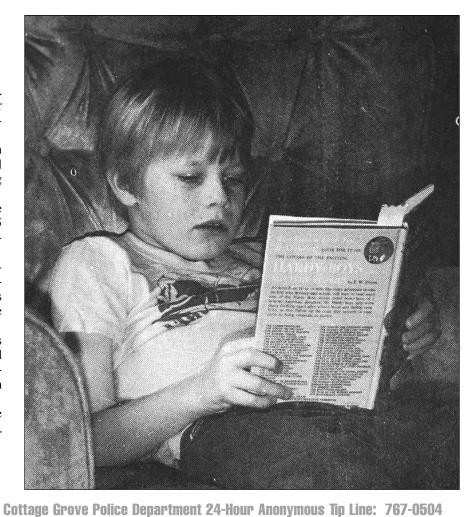
As a poster child, Eric will represent MDA on radio and television shows and take part in several chapter events, including the annual fund-raising drive.

Eric was diagnosed as having ARAN-Duchenne at the age of six. ARAN-Duchenne is one of 35 neuromuscular diseases included in the MDA research and patient care programs.

MDA supports a comprehensive research program at 10 clinical and research centers in the United States and England. In addition, MDA sponsors more than 350 individual research projects in the U.S. and 17 foreign countries.

And the association maintains several clinics across the country which provide diagnostic and medical services to patients and their families without charge. Orthopedic aids, patient transportation and recreational activities are also provided.

Eric was born in Apple Valley, Calif., and the Beagley family moved to Creswell three years ago. He is a fourth grade at Creslane School.



## POLICE BLOTTER

Jan. 30

#### Burglary, E. Main St. Verizon

A reporting employee arrived to open the store and told police that unknown suspect(s) had forced entry through the rear door, strew merchandise on the floor in the stock room and made entry to the store safe. Officers contacted the complainant for additional information.

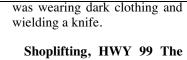
#### Fraud, E. Chadwick Ave.

A caller advised that she sent \$2,030 to a scam that told her she was a winner of a sweepstakes.

### Feb. 1

#### Robbery, Dave's Corner Mkt.

A man with a camouflage-pattern bandana over his mouth and a tattoo by his right eye came into the location and robbed approximately \$300 from the register. The subject



A caller advised that a female came into the store after being asked to leave. The subject possibly took an item from a shelf. The subject had since left the location.

Police observed new graffiti on the bridge south of Harrison. The graffiti was facing west on the concrete barrier. Officers took a report and forwarded the information to Public Works.

Feb. 2

she just found her dog hanging in her back yard. The owner got the dog down but was unsure if the dog was alive. The com-

ndreason

#### Criminal Mischief, E. Quincy Ave.

to his mother's home.

plainant was gone for two days

and is unsure when this exactly

happened. In the end, no injury

Disorderly Subject, Gate-

A complainant advised that a

subject yelled and screamed at

her while she was delivering a

pizza. The complainant was ad-

vised on how to file a civil stalk

order, but she didn't request an

officer to contact her, just to

document the incident for infor-

Feb. 3

Police were advised of an

ongoing domestic disturbance.

The complainant advised that

a couple was arguing and it

sounded physical. Police con-

tacted both parties and coun-

seled them. The man gathered

his personal belongings and left

Disturbance,

to the dog was found.

way Blvd.

mation.

Domestic

**HWY 99N** 

A complainant advised that a subject smashed a lamp in front of their residence overnight. The case was taken for criminal mischief, and the damaged to the light pole was estimated at \$250.

very uncooperative with units and could not determine a crime had been committed.

#### Property Found, N. Ninth St.

A complainant told police that she heard a knock at her door. When she opened, no one was there, but someone had placed some kind of vacuum cleaner appliance near her outdoor freezer. She has never seen it before and believes it might be stolen, so police picked it up and lodged it at the impound lot due to its size.

### Agency Assist, Davidson St.

Lane County Sheriff's Office advised that a vehicle was eluding on HWY 99 south after attempting to pull the vehicle over for speeding. Police units set up stingers and made contact with the vehicle, taking out three tires. The vehicle stopped and the driver was arrested.

#### Suspicious Vehicle, Thorton St.

A male driver was reported to just be sitting in the driver seat at an intersection and refusing to move. Cars were honking and the complainant went up to him and said that he appeared to be very "vacant." Upon police arriving to conduct an area check, the driver was gone.



#### **Chamber of Commerce Annual Business Meeting**

The Cottage Grove Chamber of Commerce will be holding their Annual Business Meeting on Wednesday, February 15th at noon at the Village Green. All members of the Chamber are invited to the Annual Business Meeting. Any City Councilors that desire to attend the Business Meeting should contact the City Manager's office before next Friday so we can reserve your lunch.

#### **Equipment Sold at Brasher's Auction**

In late January, Public Works sold an assortment of equipment, small tools, vehicle parts, building and electrical supplies, and pumps, at Brasher's Northwest Auto Auction, that were worn-out and of no further use to the City. The City netted \$2,062.80 from the sale of this surplus equipment. The City makes use of Brasher's Auction on a regular basis because it satisfies the requirement that the City provide public notice concerning the availability of surplus items and, it allows us to sell multiple pieces of equipment at the same time.

#### **Parking Lot Striping**

This week, Public Works contracted with Western Asphalt to restripe the parking lots at City Hall, across the street from City Hall, Middlefield Golf Course, and the parking areas at Coiner Park near the tennis and basketball courts. Western Asphalt striped the parking stalls, applied the handicapped parking symbols as needed, and applied restrictive parking verbiage where required. The two City parking lots, located between Whiteaker and Gibbs Avenues at 7th and 8th Streets, will be striped after the curb stops are removed to accommodate a parking direction change from 90 degree to angle parking.

#### **Homeless Camp Clean-up**

Late last week, Public Works contracted with Northwest Hazmat to clean-up a particularly nasty homeless camp under the Main Street Bridge. The camp had been there for some time and was not readily visible from street level. There was the usual trash, blankets, garbage, food waste, metals, and human waste. The area was not accessible to equipment so, the entire clean-up had to be performed by hand. It took Northwest Hazmat 14 hours to cleanup the site and dispose of all the material. These homeless camps pose a danger to clean-up crews because of the potential presence of needles, sharps, and human waste, in addition to, the usual garbage and litter. The City spends a great deal of staff time and money for the clean-up and disposal of materials coming from the various homeless camps that spring-up around the City.

#### New Cottage Grove Police Officer

The Cottage Grove Police Department welcomes their newest officer, Thomas Roberts. He will start on February 16, 2017 and begin the training program. He graduated from the DPSST Basic Police Academy in August of 2015. This will now make the department fully staffed. A swearing-in ceremony will be set at a future date.

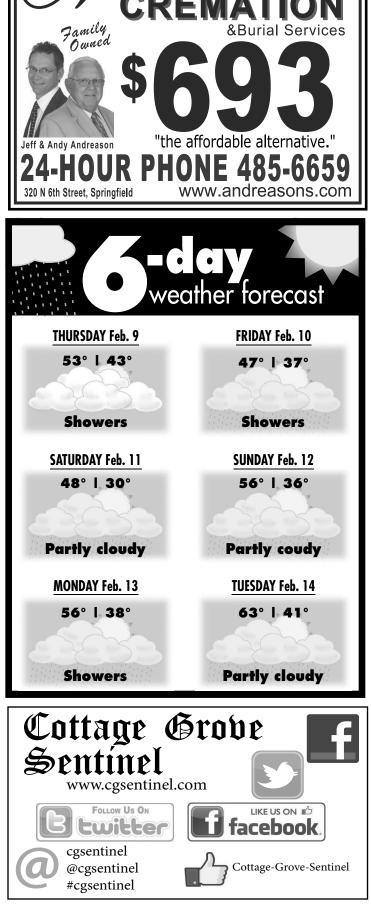
The Cottage Grove Sentinel reprints the City Beat from the Friday Update published every Friday by the city of Cottage Grove. It can be found by visiting the city's website and clicking on the "Your Government" tab. Beginning next week, The Sentinel will focusing on developing important stories from the Friday update and publishing them elsewhere in the paper. You will find a complete story of the homeless camp clean-up in this week's edition, for example. The City Beat will be replaced by news from around the state of Oregon, including the Oregon legislature, that specifically impact Cottage Grove.

Dollar Tree

#### **Criminal Mischief, S. River** Rd.

# Animal Abuse, Ash Ave.

A complainant advised that



#### MIP-Liquor, Lincoln Middle School

The principal at Lincoln Middle School informed police that four students showed up intoxicated. They were also in possession of stolen items for a store. All four subjects were cited into peer court for MIPs and were released back to the school.

#### Feb. 4 **Domestic Disturbance, Row** River Rd.

A caller advised police that she was hiding inside Walmart while her husband is sitting in their vehicle in the parking lot. She stated that she feared for her safety and that her husband has been threatening her all day. The complainant was being

#### Suspicious Subject, Gateway Blvd.

A complainant at a business said that a group of "tweakers" have gathered in front of the business and were acting suspiciously. Police came and found that one of the subjects there was upset because the ATM machine ate his card. Police continued to patrol through the night.

#### Assault, N. Douglas

A caller advised that a subject had assaulted him and then left his residence. The subject left on foot and police were able to contact both parties, determining there was mutual combat. The subjects were very incoherent.



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