

Cottage Grove Retrospective

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

May 10, 1987: Creswell woman strikes gold

When Bonnie Graves of Creswell bought her lottery ticket with returnable bottle money on April 29, she tucked them deep into her purse that day and forgot about them.

Remembering the tickets around midnight, Graves, 44, dug them out of her purse and scratched off the silver stuff.

The Creswell woman struck gold.

"When I saw that I won \$25,000, I had to put my glasses on and read the directions again," Graves said.

Graves uncovered three O's in a row to become the first top instant prize winner in the Oregon lottery game.

Earlier in the day, she came home from work, cleaned the garage, and exchanged bottles for "Win-For-Life" Scratch-it

game tickets.

The winning ticket was purchased at Aday's market, 822 W. Main St. in Cottage Grove.

Graves waited to tell anyone her news. She wanted to share it with her husband first, who was out of town at the time. After picking him up at the airport on Sunday, they were with friends in the car so she waited to tell him when they were home alone that evening.

When she went down to the lottery office in Salem, she was given a check for \$25,000.

"I didn't think they had those big winners out there," Graves said.

She said she has plans to use the money as a down payment on a home in the Creswell area.

Graves has been playing Oregon Lottery since it began in



April 1985. She said she would buy a ticket every time she went to a grocery store.

Nine additional \$25,000 top instant prizes are still to be discovered plus five "Win-For-Life" prizes of \$1,000 per month, for life.

Since April 1985, \$2 billion

in prizes have been paid to Oregon Lottery players and nearly \$900 million has been earned for economic development and job creation in Oregon.

Cottage Grove Police Department 24-Hour Anonymous Tip Line: 767-0504

POLICE BLOTTER

April 24, 2017

Shell station reported gas drive off occurred earlier, \$40 in fuel, possible employee error. Case info taken for report.

Caller advised she returned and found that there is damage to the fence that contains the chickens and somebody went through her belongs that she had packed up inside the house and flipped through her mail - none opened.

April 25, 2017

Request from Douglas County to assist in pursuit, fail to yield and unable to maintain lanes, white Chev Sedan.

Caller advised subject attempted to break into her residence during the night, case taken for attempted burglary and criminal mischief.

Subject called to advise they shot out one of the windows at Magnolia Village while they were target shooting in their own backyard.

Caller advised his neighbor just struck his vehicle head on and fled the area.

Caller advised the neighbor's dog has punctured his foot with a piece of wire and they need something to cut the wire to get the dog to the vet.

Caller advised male at front door attempting to sell products. Concerned that salesman is victim of human trafficking and made to do job against will. Described as late teens, wearing blue jeans and plain jacket, last seen headed northbound on 16th street on foot.

A parent at front counter of police dept. with bundle of money located at Bohemia Elementary soccer practice. Son would like

to claim money if owner does not claim it.

Concerned person called in regard to overhearing person talking to nurse earlier on the phone and advised he was not taking his meds as he should and he was ready to meet Jesus. Is not now answering phone for social worker or his insurance company.

April 26, 2017

Person rambling about a female named Becky. Stated she was abducted by unknown people, killed, then says she has contacted him telepathically. Told him she was locked in a trunk of a vehicle and was on way to beach.

Customer of local business found unknown subject in their vehicle as they were leaving. Businesses went through video footage and found subject on video. Nothing missing from vehicle. Described as wearing puffy jacket and baseball cap.

Disorderly aggressive panhandler was almost pepper sprayed by complainant. Subject described as wearing a tan Carhartt and cammo pants. Subject advised of complaint and trespassed from location.

Caller requested help with fraud involving several Ebay sales. Advised was a civil matter.

Elderly female in Walmart parking lot near bus stop pushing a yellow scooter with two dogs in it. She was wearing grey jacket and sweat pants. Caller thinks perhaps is person missing from Springfield for few months.

Caller advised shed at location broken into.

April 27, 2017

Advised female in dark hooded, green pajama pants and white tennis shoes knocking on doors asking for money. Last saw northbound on 8th St.

April 28, 2017

Subject just walked out of business wearing a grey baseball cap that he took off shelf of business, might be known as Justin, wearing baggy shorts and jacket, grey baseball cap on top of a black baseball cap, with backpack, walking northbound on 5th St.

Reported Lab/Pitt mix tied up outside and appears to be severely malnourished. Will be following up over next few weeks.

Caller advised wallet was stolen in Ashland and on March 19 his credit card was used in Cottage Grove at Walmart, Discount Smokes and Carl Jr.'s

Patrol requested for juveniles walking around Taylor Ave. construction area and also for an adult who is walking a dog - concerned for their safety.

Caller advised boyfriend struck her and she is pregnant. Said he has left apartment on foot and has happened before. He is wearing white jacket and blue jeans. Subject was contacted and not pressing charges, just wants him located and advised to stay away for the night.

April 29, 2017

Suspicious condition advised as two middle school age juveniles sitting behind a gate that is normally locked, under I-5 Northbound, from the Row River Bike Trail.

Village Green Resort reported guest broke a door and is now gone.

Couple reported hanging around front door of business that is now closed. One named Dennis and is wearing a jester hat.

April 30, 2017

Silver Ford truck reported weaving in parking lot of Walmart, aggressive toward caller when approached, driver stated only had one beer and was fumbling with car keys.

CAPITOL BEAT

News from the state legislature and around Oregon

From the legislature

Cottage Grove high schoolers may have created a law. That's what the youth advisory council is waiting to find out as its bill concerning the use of nitrous oxide canisters sits on the senate president's desk for approval. House Bill 3030 would require Oregon residents to be 21 or older to purchase the canisters and a coming request from the youth advisory council would ask that the location of the canisters be moved from smoke shops to strictly baking good stores.

House Bill 2005 passed the house, meeting the deadline to make it out of committee to move on in the process of becoming a law. The possible legislation would increase civil penalties for employers paying women and minorities less than others who do the same work.

Several bills focusing on gun control failed to make it out of committee but Senate Bill 868 which would allow courts to create a process to prevent individuals who were at risk of suicide or harming someone else from being in possession of a gun, passed and is on the way to the house.

The Oregon Legislature hit the half-way point of the latest legislative session. More public hearings are expected for bills before a new batch of laws is released and the state unveils a budget for the next two years that will have to contend with a nearly \$2 billion shortfall.

From around the state

It's recruiting season and the University of Oregon leads the pack with the most commitments made this past weekend. The Ducks scored the number one player in Colorado, Adrian Jackson as well as the number four player in Oregon, Lake Oswego's Dawson Jaramillo. The school snagged six players overall by Sunday.

It was a week of rallies for Oregon last week as residents gathered in Eugene to demonstrate their belief in climate change. That march was followed by a May Day demonstration on May 1 for workers and immigrants within the state.

Two Oregon men pleaded guilty to unlawful possession of a big-horn sheep after they were caught last April beheading two of the animals near Interstate 84. They were sentenced to a year of probation and were stripped of hunting rights for three years. The men must also complete up to 80 hours of community service and pay fines between \$1,500 and \$2,000.

The Oregon National Guard took part in the University of Oregon Duck's Spring Game with players handing over their jerseys to service members on Saturday.

On April 30, Governor Kate Brown was on hand in Portland to witness the completion of the tallest wooden building in the country. The building is eight stories and designed by Carbon12.

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6-day weather forecast

THURSDAY MAY 4

81° | 51°



Mostly Cloudy

FRIDAY MAY 5

59° | 41°



Showers

SATURDAY MAY 6

57° | 40°



Showers

SUNDAY MAY 7

61° | 41°



Mostly Cloudy

MONDAY MAY 8

68° | 43°



Sunny

TUESDAY MAY 9

70° | 48°



Showers

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