

On The Record

Florence area man goes missing

A family member reported to the Lane County Sheriff's Office that on July 29 that 71-year-old Ronald Kenneth Aduddel had left his residence in the 87000 block of Highway 101 near Florence and did not return as anticipated.

He was last seen on that date at about 12 p.m. Aduddel is described as a white male adult standing approximately 6 feet and weighing approximately 220lbs. He has gray hair, green eyes and a white mustache. He is believed to be driving a newer blue ford F-350 crew cab pickup bearing OR license plate #437MEU.

Aduddel recently suffered a stroke and may potentially suffer from memory problems. Anyone with information regarding his whereabouts is asked to contact the Lane County Sheriff's Office at 541-682-4150 opt. 1. The case number is 21-4243.

Drought, lack of measurable rain drains Willamette Valley reservoirs

Army Corps of Engineers hosts info session on low lake levels

PORTLAND, Ore. – Nearly 50 days without measurable rain, combined with hot, dry conditions, has made reservoir levels in the Willamette Valley the lowest in six years.

Additionally, forecasts are not predicting enough precipitation to alleviate the ongoing drought in the Pacific Northwest.

To help the public understand the conditions, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District will host an info session today (Aug. 5) from 12-1 p.m. to update the public about lake levels and recreation opportunities in its 13 Willamette Valley reservoirs.

The Willamette Valley Project depends on spring and early summer rainfall to refill and lack of precipitation only allowed the system to refill to 67.4 percent. The lack of measurable rain in the past 50 days has only exacerbated the situation.

The Corps invites the public to attend the session to learn more about current operations, future forecasts and impacts to the Willamette Valley System.

The public can access the session online at the following address: usace1.webex.com/usace1/j.php?MTID=m2911e4975c-b2e7c7922648c2909452b3 or call 1-844-800-2712. The access code is 199 747 0306 #.

The Willamette Valley Project's 13 reservoirs are currently 45 percent full. System-wide reservoir storage are 55 percent below the rule curve.

Year-to-date precipitation across the Willamette was 82 percent of normal, as of Aug. 2. The snowpack is zero percent of median for the Willamette – there is no snowpack left.

Snowmelt helps keep reservoir elevations up in the summer if it lasts and matches outflows – but it only accounts for roughly 10 percent of the system's storage – there is no snowpack left this year.

The Corps manages reservoir inflows based on a "rule curve," or the authorized maximum elevation on a given day to balance flood risk and storage for authorized purposes.

The Willamette Valley Systems' reservoirs are kept lower in the winter to reduce downstream flooding and refilled in the spring to prepare for recreation and adequate flows for fish.

Portland District encourages the public to visit its "teacup diagrams" before heading out to recreate.

The Willamette River Basin teacup diagram can be found at www.nwd-wc.usace.army.mil/nwp/teacup/willamette/ or pweb.crohms.org/nwp/teacup/willamette/.

LCSO seeks more info in shooting, reckless driving incident

On July 23, the Lane County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) responded to the area of N. Morningstar Rd. and Enterprise Rd. in Pleasant Hill after receiving reports that shots had been fired.

A silver Volkswagen Golf and a 2001 Silver Mitsubishi car were observed fleeing the area moments later.

On July 31, at around 8:30 a.m., a trooper with the Oregon State Police spotted a vehicle matching the description of the Mitsubishi and attempted to initiate a traffic stop. The Mitsubishi backed into the trooper's vehicle then fled at a high rate of speed.

Troopers and deputies pursued the vehicle and

spike strips were successfully deployed as the vehicle was driving on Interstate 5.

The vehicle eventually came to a stop and the occupants were taken into custody.

During the chase, the occupants of the Mitsubishi discarded a firearm out the window. This firearm was recovered shortly thereafter. Also, at one point the vehicle struck the front end of a Lane County Sheriff's patrol vehicle.

No one reported injuries during the day's incident.

Following arrest, 39-year-old Jennifer Lynn Robertson was identified as the driver of the Mitsubishi.

She faces charges from both the July 31 and July 23

incidents including: Criminal Conspiracy, Hit and Run, Reckless Endangering, Reckless Driving, Attempt to Elude, Escape in the 3rd Degree, interfering with Police, Felon in Possession of a Firearm and Attempted Assault in the 1st Degree.

She will be lodged at the Lane County Jail.

Also, 38-year-old Jesse Johnson was identified as the passenger of the Mitsubishi on July 31. He will be lodged at the Lane County Jail on charges related to both the July 31 and July 23 incidents including: Reckless Endangering, Interfering with Police, Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Criminal Conspiracy, Menacing, Unlawful Use of a

Weapon, Attempted Assault in the 1st Degree and Offensive Littering.

Regarding the original shots fired incident, the LCSO would like to speak with the occupant or occupants of a silver Volkswagen Golf which was in the area of N. Morningstar Rd. and Enterprise Rd. on July 23 at around 8:30 p.m.

The sheriff's office is hoping to make contact with a person by the name of "Ryder" or "Dillon" and any additional witnesses that may have information about the shooting.

Please contact the Lane County Sheriff's Office at 541-682-4150 opt. 1 if you have any information. The case number is 21-4121.

Dia de la Familia event canceled

Due to the risk of transmission of COVID-19 at this time, the leadership team at South Lane Mental Health (SLMH) has deemed it necessary to postpone its Dia de la Familia event.

The event would have taken place this Saturday, Aug. 7 at the Bohemia Park amphitheater.

SLMH intends to have this event in the future, but has not yet chosen a time.

Debido al riesgo extremo de transmisión de Covid en este momento, el equipo de dirección de South Lane Mental Health ha decidido que es necesario posponer el Día de La Familia evento, que hubiera ocurrido este sábado en el Anfiteatro de Bohemia Park. Intentaremos de tener este evento en el futuro, pero no sabemos cuándo será en este momento. Lo sentimos mucho y esperamos verlos a todos pronto. Gracias.

US Air Force band prepped for Concerts in the Park

Final preparations are in motion for the US Air Force – Band of the Golden West concert which will be on Wednesday, Aug. 25 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in Bohemia Park.

This concert will be the final concert in the Chamber of Commerce Concert in the Park series. Be sure to put this on your calen-

dars and plan to attend the spectacular event.

Check out the other remaining great concerts that include Calvary Creek, Annie Mae Rhodes Band and Dusty Herd.

Visit the Cottage Grove Chamber of Commerce website at: cgchamber.com for more information.

Sol Path Music Festival set for August

Sol Path Collective, the South Valley Farmer's Market, the City of Cottage Grove and the Cottage Grove Area Chamber of Commerce are delighted to present an evening of feel-good live music for all.

The public is invited to join a magical evening with a group of diverse and complementary bands that bring messages of hope set to enjoyable melodies and

grooves. Sol Path Collective is a group of bands that support and inspire each other to pursue their musical dreams.

The festival will be held in All America City Square on Saturday, Aug. 7 from

noon to 5 p.m. The event is free for all ages and all outdoors.

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