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Wednesday edition of the

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Information for the police report comes from law enforcement agencies. Not all calls for service are included. The status of incidents reported may change after further investigation. Individuals arrested or suspected of crimes are considered innocent until proven guilty. See online for more.

#### **DALLAS**

**Arrests/Citations** · John K. Bracken, 18, of Dallas in the 200 block of Southwest Walnut Avenue on Aug. 31 on charges of thirddegree theft, second-degree criminal trespass, and resist-

• David A. Boone, 64, of Dallas in the 300 block of Southwest Cherry Street on Sept. 2 on a charge resisting

· Shane Joseph Riley Gayle, 32, in the 200 block of Southeast Dimick Street on Sept. 7 on a charge of second-degree criminal trespass.

· Aaron S. Lantis, 24, of Dallas in the 200 block of Southwest Walnut Avenue on Sept. 7 on charges of menacing and second-degree disorderly conduct.

· Matthew A. Baller, 28, of Keizer on Southeast Washington Street on Sept. 8 on charges of driving under the influence of intoxicants, reckless driving, and reckless en-

• Keith D. Laster, 21, of Dallas in the 700 block of Southeast Muir Lane on Sept. 9 on a charge of failure to register as a sex offender

• Gabriel M. Vigil, 29, of Dallas in the 100 block of West Ellendale Avenue on Saturday on a probation violation.

#### **INDEPENDENCE Arrests/Citations**

 Brandon Lee-Geren Turner, 36, of Monmouth in the 700 block of White Oak Creek on Aug. 27 on a bench warrant for failure to appear and unlawful possession of oxycodone.

· Russell Smith, 52, of Independence in the 1200 block of Monmouth Street on Aug. 28 for physical harassment and interfering with making a police report.

• Wyatt Bradford Mills, 20, of Salem in the 300 block of South 10th Street on Aug. 31 for punishment by contempt of court, resisting arrest and second-degree criminal tres-

• Jessi Jose Cisneros, 27, of Independence on April Court near North Ash Street on Sept. 2 for unlawful entry of a vehicle with intent to commit vandalism and second-degree criminal mischief.

· Miguel Angel Trujillo, 26, of Independence in the 100 block of Monmouth Street on Sept. 8 for third-degree theft.

· Alexander Jeffrey O'Brien, 20, of Independence in the 1300 block of Monmouth Street on Sept. 8 for seconddegree criminal trespass.

#### MONMOUTH **Arrests/Citations**

· Pedro Albi Desgarennes-Mendez, 33, of Monmouth in the 200 block of College Street South on Aug. 26 for five counts of first-degree sex abuse, two counts of thirddegree sex abuse, felony fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer, and misdemeanor fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer.

• Darius Ray Andino, 24, of Salem in the 400 block of Main Street East on Sept. 1 for first-degree criminal mischief and second-degree disorderly

· Sean Kellen Greaney, 18, of Monmouth in the 1400 Glazemeadow Street on Sept. 6 on two counts physical ha-



Polk County Fire District No. 1 Chief Al Alcalde plans to be visible in the community, both on and off an ambulance or fire engine, by volunteering and attending events.

# **New chief on duty at PCFD**

Alcalde takes the reins at fire district, ready to lead the way

#### **By Emily Mentzer**

The Itemizer-Observer

INDEPENDENCE — Firefighting is the only career the new Polk County Fire District No. 1's chief Al Alcalde has ever known, or wanted.

"A lot of our neighbors were firefighters for the city of Torrance (Calif.)," Alcalde, 54, said. "I was in track, and I saw a lot of the firefighters on the track working out."

When he graduated from high school, he joined the Air Force and took a job fighting fires. "It was a different kind of

firefighting because we were on a base," Alcalde said. "Our primary responsibility was for aircraft."

He learned a lot about fire suppression — putting fires out — while in the Air Force. a mid-sized fire department

When he got out of the service, he wasn't sure he'd be able to find a job in firefighting. He took a position as a dispatcher in Redondo Beach, Calif., before getting

"In that position, I learned a lot about (fire) prevention," Alcalde said.

a job with Northrup Aero-

space as a firefighter.

Later, while working at the Port of Portland, he became a paramedic.

With the experience of a dispatcher, firefighter and paramedic, Alcalde took his career to public fire departments, first with the city of Dundee.

"At that point in my career, I'd only worked with career folks," he said. "Working with volunteers is a whole different atmosphere."

Alcalde is excited to be at

with a mix of career and volunteer firefighters. He said a volunteer training exercise last week brought 35 people

"I was very impressed with the group," he said. "Obviously there's a lot of support here, so that's good. It's positive. It says a lot about the department to see all those people out there training."

Alcalde doesn't expect to make any changes very

"I think the organization is strong and there's good people here," he said. "But I'm going to look at things over time and see if we can be a little bit more efficient."

He plans to be visible in the community, and not just on an ambulance or fire engine, but engaged in volunteer opportunities himself.

"That's just who I am," he said. "I think it's very important to be involved, not only for myself, but for the department."

In previous jobs, Alcalde said firefighters volunteered as timers for the high school track team, or read to kids.

"We still have our primary job to take care of, but when we do have some time, we can get involved in little activities," Alcalde said.

### on Friday. **CORRECTIONS**

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#### WEATHER

| RECORDED | HIGH | LOW | RAIN |
|----------|------|-----|------|
| Sept. 8  | 84   | 51  | 0    |
| Sept. 9  | 86   | 56  | 0    |
| Sept. 10 | 88   | 57  | 0    |
| Sept. 11 | 92   | 56  | 0    |
| Sept. 12 | 90   | 57  | 0    |
| Sept. 13 | 79   | 52  | 0    |
| Sept. 14 | 64   | 47  | 0    |
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