

COPS & COURTS

Arrests and citations in the Blue Mountain Eagle are taken from the logs of law enforcement agencies. Every effort is made to report the court disposition of arrest cases.

Circuit Court
CANYON CITY — The Grant County Circuit Court reported the following fines and judgments:

- Derek Michael Mason Cole, 33, pleaded guilty to second-degree burglary committed on or about April 28. He was sentenced to prison for 18 months and post-prison supervision for one year, and fined \$557.55. He pleaded guilty to second-degree criminal mischief committed on or about April 28, and was sentenced to prison for 90 days, to be concurrent with all previously imposed sentences. The court dismissed one count of second-degree criminal mischief.

Grant County Sheriff
CANYON CITY — The Grant County Sheriff’s Office

reported the following for the week of May 13-19:

- Concealed handgun licenses: 7
- Average inmates: 14
- Bookings: 10
- Releases: 12
- Arrests: 1
- Citations: 3
- Fingerprints: 9
- Civil papers: 30
- Warrants processed: 3
- Asst./welfare check: 2
- Search and Rescue: 1
- Four juveniles were cited on May 9 for second-degree criminal trespass in Prairie City.
- Megan Long, 23, John Day, was cited on May 16 for driving uninsured and operating without proper exhaust.
- Jordan Downing, 18, Canyon City, was cited on May 16 for purchasing or attempting to purchase alcoholic beverages by a minor.

Justice Court
CANYON CITY — The Grant County Justice Court reported the following fines and judgments:

- Exceeding maximum width: Leslie Woodworth, 67, Prairie City, May 3, fined \$110.
- Violation of the basic rule: Charlotte Gay Dougherty, 70, Mt. Vernon, 70/55 zone, May 7, fined \$135.
- Dog as a public nuisance: Arden T. Eby, 82, Canby, April 23, fined \$260.
- Charles R. Hunt Jr. was found guilty of probation violation, and sentenced to 10 days in jail and fined \$85.

Small Claims
• Quick Collect Inc. v. Raelynn Cearns. Money judgment awarded to Quick Collect Inc. for \$241.

Dispatch
John Day dispatch worked 166 calls during the week of May 16-22. Along with the various traffic warnings, trespassing, injured animals, noise complaints and juvenile complaints, these calls included:

- **John Day Police:** May 16: Cited a Prairie

City woman for allowing a dog to be a nuisance; theft of a canopy reported on South Canyon Boulevard.

- May 17: Theft reported in Prairie City.
- May 20: Report of a bee box stolen at Les Schwab in John Day.
- **Grant County Sheriff:** May 17: Arrested a person for an assault at the rock pit.
- May 18: Break-in reported in Seneca.
- May 19: Theft of service reported at Clyde Holliday State Park near Mt. Vernon.
- May 20: Verbal domestic reported at Humbolt Elementary in Canyon City.
- **John Day ambulance:** May 16: Responded for a 58-year-old woman who fell and was unresponsive.
- May 17: Paged for someone with a leg infection.
- May 18: Responded for a 78-year-old woman with abdominal pain.
- May 19: Paged for a man with difficulty breathing.
- May 22: Responded for a 71-year-old woman.

Refuge occupier arrested in Mt. Vernon pleads guilty to theft

Maximum sentence: 10 years, \$250,000

By Sean Hart
Blue Mountain Eagle



Scott Alan Willingham

After initially pleading not guilty in March, Scott Alan Willingham changed his plea to guilty on a theft charge related to the occupation of the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge.

In U.S. District Court in Portland May 12, Willingham, 49, Leadville, Colorado, pleaded guilty to theft of government property in excess of \$1,000, which carries a maximum punishment of 10 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

In the signed plea, Willingham admitted he “did knowingly aid and abet another to steal” federal government cameras in mid-January during the refuge occupation.

U.S. District Court Judge Anna J. Brown ordered that Willingham remain in custody until sentencing, which she set for Sept. 23.

Willingham was taken into custody on a federal warrant after being arrested by a Grant County Sheriff’s Office deputy the evening of March 16 in Mt. Vernon.

LETTERS

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Federal government bullying states

To the Editor:
On May 13, (President Barack Obama) King Obama issued a decree that every public school in the nation is to accommodate transgender students.

Boys who identify as girls and vice versa must be allowed to use the bathrooms, locker rooms and shower stalls of their choosing. And they must also be allowed to play on the sports teams of their choosing.

This is one more example where King Obama bypasses Congress to make a sweeping decree that takes away the rights of privacy and safety of our citizens. In this case, it puts our teenage girls at risk in the name of “political correctness.”

And this is not all. School districts that dare to defy the administration’s directive will face lawsuits and lose millions of dollars in federal funding.

In the case of North Carolina standing up to King Obama, the Obama administration responded by giving them only three days to conform to their decree or face losing federal funding for education and threatening the potential of withholding federal transportation funding as well.

Where is the outrage about a federal government that believes it can bully states into doing anything they want without congressional approval?

John Russell
Salem

What is going on?

To the Editor:
What is going on?!

I hear that there are two meetings of the Blue Mountains Forest Partners, one that is published with an agenda and one that meets before the published one, and it doesn’t have a published agenda.

This has the appearance of being a secret meeting and the one where the real work is being done.

This then has the appearance of the public meeting being only a sham meeting to make it look like they are an open organization.

How can you trust the Blue Mountains Forest Partners to have the interests of the good people of Grant County at heart?

This effectively locks the public out of their meetings where the real work is being done, and only what they want you to hear is what you get at the public meeting. Am I the only one that sees the appearance of it this way?

If anyone has the answers to what is going on, please let me know.

I also want to thank the voters of Grant County for making your voices heard. This is wonderful.

Nicky A. Sprauve
Public Forest
Commissioner No. 2
Canyon City

Sad to lose ‘squaw’ names, memories

To the Editor:
I am weighing in late on the “Squaw” issue. Words change meanings over time. Not too long ago, “gay” meant a happy person. Not so anymore. I could name some other words that now have different meanings.

I am almost positive that by the time landmarks in the West, and probably most other places, were named “Squaw,” the word meant a female Native American. I find it really sad that with the new names given these places, the memory of these women are going to be forgotten. Many of them were the wives of trappers that opened up this country we now call home.

It also bothers me that some of the new names being given to “squaw” landmarks can’t even be pronounced by the average person and maybe not by quite a few of the Native Americans. English is the common language understood by most everyone. It makes better sense to use that language.

Sandra Sutton
John Day

County elections
To the Editor:
The old council is losing its stack.
Gone and not coming back.
W. Toop
Canyon City

Protect our children

To the Editor:
As you have probably heard, President Barack Hussein Obama is forcing states to enact the transgender bathroom law. He is trying to extort states by threatening to pull public school funding from the states that do not comply.

The leaders of North Carolina and Texas are not going to comply to this willful act of violating constitutional law in regards to a state’s choice in implementing federal laws.

Despite this, Obama is still pushing to get every state to adhere to his newest law.

Obama has forced the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to enact a similar law where a man/woman can claim to be, mentally, of the opposite sex and get placed on a unit that houses

members of the opposite sex. Over 50 percent of TDCJ funding comes from the federal government.

This executive law will make it possible for a man or a woman to enter into the restrooms of the opposite sex.

It is quite obvious that Obama does not care about the safety of our children. Who is going to stop a pedophile or a rapist from saying that mentally they are a woman, just so they can gain access to women or young girls?

I fear the worst on this scenario, and it has made me fearful for my own children.

This is a real possibility! If you want to keep your children safe, say no to this

abominable law. Write to your leaders in Oregon, telling them to stand up against this horrific law that has come down from our tyrant president.

This law cannot stand, regardless of what ways the president tries to extort us with. Morality must stand above perversion if we are ever going to make a stand for true justice and a state and country that we can be proud to call home!

Write to the governor and to our congressmen, and state your unwillingness to allow harm to come upon your children. God bless Oregon and the United States!

Richard Shafer
Childress, Texas

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Thank You!

To all of the residents of Grant County for your overwhelming support in the recent election, THANK YOU! I also want to say a special thank you to those of you who offered yard space, financial support, and/or positive encouragement during the past few months. I feel truly honored and will work hard to represent our great county as your treasurer.

Julie Ellison

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