

## COPS AND 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.

## Grant County Sheriff

The Grant County Sheriff's Office reported the following for the week of Oct. 26-Nov. 1:

- Concealed handgun licenses: 2
  - Average inmates: 13
  - Bookings: 4
  - Releases: 7
  - Arrests: 2
  - Citations: 2
  - Fingerprints: 4
  - Civil papers: 8
  - Warrants processed: 2
  - Asst./welfare check: 4
  - Search and Rescue: 1
- Baldemar Riojas, 28, Ontario, was cited Oct. 30 for violation of the basic rule, 50/30 zone.
- Lynn Wilson, 44, John Day, was cited Oct. 31 for failure to carry proof of insurance.

## Justice Court

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

- Exceeding the speed limit: Larry D. Leos, 64, San Antonio, Texas, Oct. 2, 80/65 zone, fined \$260.
- Violation of speed limit: Kaley N. Neal, 21, Prairie City, Aug. 17, 40/25 zone, fined \$135; Lind-

sey A. Love, Reno, Nevada, Oct. 1, 59/35 zone, fined \$220; Hayden J. Martin, 23, Corvallis, Oct. 15, 79/65 zone, fined \$220.

- Driving while suspended: Danielle L. Flach, 20, Russellville, Arkansas, fined \$435.
- Driving while using a cell phone: Timothy J. Shannon, 55, Bend, fined \$260.
- Cutting and transporting of special forest products: Timothy L. Keith, 34, Prairie City, fined \$435; Todd M. Winegar, 30, Prairie City, fined \$435.

## Oregon State Police

Oct. 29: Responded to a single motor vehicle rollover on Highway 26 near Austin Junction. The Ford Escape sheared off a large coniferous tree, which an Oregon Department of Transportation crew sawed and removed. John Day ambulance transported the driver.

Oct. 31: Responded to a GMC pickup that left Highway 26 west of the Wheeler County line the previous evening and ended up near the creek bottom. The driver spent the night in the vehicle.

- Nov. 2: Advised of a cow on Highway 26 west of Mt. Vernon.
- Nov. 3: Report of a cow on Highway 395 near Ritter.
- Nov. 5: Report of a cow on Highway 26 east of Dayville.

## Dispatch

John Day dispatch worked

135 calls during the week of Oct. 30-Nov. 5. Along with the various traffic warnings, trespassing, injured animals, noise complaints and juvenile complaints, these calls included:

## John Day Police Department

Oct. 30: Adrian L. Couey, 32, John Day, was arrested and charged with domestic assault.

Nov. 1: Advised of a possible ID theft on Hillcrest Road in John Day.

Nov. 1: Adrian L. Couey, 32, John Day, was cited for driving while suspended.

Nov. 3: Responded to a report of livestock on Johnson Road in Prairie City.

Nov. 3: Darren Mortimore, 38, John Day, was cited for speeding 80/65 zone on Highway 26 near Prairie City.

Nov. 3: Report of a scam in John Day.

Nov. 3: Daniel Kilmer, 32, John Day, was cited for driving while suspended and without proof of insurance in John Day.

Nov. 4: Thomas E. Pfeifer, 48, was arrested in Prairie City on a Grant County warrant.

Nov. 4: Responded to multiple calls about hearing gunshots or fireworks in Prairie City.

## Grant County Sheriff's Office

Oct. 30: Dispatched for overdue hunters in the Murderers Creek area.

Oct. 30: Advised of a suicidal person at Grant Union High School.

Nov. 1: Notified of a theft in Long Creek.

Nov. 1: Advised of a theft report in Mt. Vernon.

Nov. 2: Dispatched to a report of a theft from a motor vehicle in John Day.

Nov. 2: Responded to a vehicle versus deer accident on Highway 26 near Dixie Summit.

Nov. 2: Advised of a child abuse report in Dayville.

Nov. 3: Report of a dog attacking a sheep in Canyon City.

Nov. 4: Advised of a fraud report in John Day.

## John Day ambulance

Oct. 30: Responded with Long Creek ambulance for a 78-year-old woman near Long Creek.

Oct. 31: Responded with Long Creek ambulance for a 41-year-old woman near Long Creek.

Oct. 31: Dispatched for a female who fell near John Day.

Nov. 1: Responded for a 91-year-old woman near John Day.

Nov. 1: Responded with Prairie City ambulance for a medical emergency.

Nov. 3: Responded with Seneca ambulance for an 87-year-old woman in Seneca who fell and was unconscious.

Nov. 4: Responded to Middle Fork for a 60-year-old man who lost consciousness.

## Prairie City recorder terminated

Details kept confidential in executive session

By Richard Hanners  
Blue Mountain Eagle

The Prairie City council has not yet decided whether to hire a new city recorder to replace Taci Philbrook, who was terminated by the city council during a Sept. 29 special meeting.

The details of Philbrook's termination were kept confidential as a personnel matter during an executive session closed to the public. According to unapproved minutes from the meeting, the council unanimously approved Philbrook's termination and an undisclosed severance agreement.

Mayor Jim Hamsher told the Eagle that Philbrook was not terminated for "embezzlement or criminal activity" but for not performing her duties. He said funds for the severance agreement would come from Philbrook's budgeted salary.

In handling the matter, Hamsher said the city was following the advice of CityCounty Insurance Services, the city's insurer, which paid for legal counsel in the matter but not the severance agreement.

City Clerk Bobbie Brown said she also serves as the city's deputy recorder, and she is handling the work that would have been done by Philbrook.



Taci Philbrook

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**Thank You, Veterans!**