

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 Circuit Court

Dennis Asher, 51, Canyon City, was convicted July 31 of two felony charges of failing to register as a sex offender committed on April 12 and May 9. He was sentenced to four months in jail and two years post-prison supervision.

Katie Marie Watt, 32, Mt. Vernon, pleaded guilty July 26 to delivery of methamphetamine and possession of methamphetamine, both felonies, committed on Nov. 16, 2016. She was sentenced to 25 days in jail, 36 months of probation and a \$400 fine. Charges of conspiracy to commit a Class B felony, manufacture of methamphetamine, delivery of methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine and endangering the welfare of a minor were dismissed. Watt was also convicted Aug. 17 of misdemeanor possession of methamphetamine committed on Aug. 9, 2016. She was sentenced to 18 months probation, 80 hours of community service and a \$250 fine.

Brandon H. Scott, 44, Forest Grove, pleaded guilty Aug. 17 to misdemeanor harassment committed on July 3. He was sentenced to 18 days in jail, 18 months probation and \$300 in fines and fees. Two charges of third-degree sexual abuse and one charge of harassment were dismissed.

Charges against Brian L. Gregg, 25, John Day, of third-degree criminal mischief, driving with a suspended license and driving without insurance committed on June 24 were dismissed Aug. 17. He pleaded guilty to a charge of driving under the influence of intoxicants and entered a diversion agreement.

## Grant County Sheriff

The Grant County Sheriff's Office reported the following for the week of Aug. 15:

Concealed handgun licenses: 6  
Average inmates: 17  
Bookings: 15  
Releases: 16  
Arrests: 5  
Citations: 1  
Fingerprints: 5  
Civil papers: 10  
Warrants processed: 3  
Asst./welfare check: 0  
Search and rescue: 0  
Aug. 15: Gregg Starr, 69, Mt. Vernon, was cited for careless driving.

## Oregon State Police

Aug. 11: A rancher reported multiple incidents of trespassing by a hunter who shot a buck antelope and removed it from the rancher's property. Another hunter who witnessed the incident provided the license plate number of the suspect's vehicle and the first name of the suspect.

Aug. 12: A rancher reported multiple incidents of trespassing by two hunters looking for antelope. Three to five shots were heard. A hunter with permission to be on the property found no signs of an antelope that had been hit or killed.

## Dispatch

John Day dispatch worked 185 calls during the week of Aug. 13-19, including:

### • John Day Police Department

Aug. 13: Dan DePriest, 51, John Day, was arrested at a grocery store in John Day and charged with theft.

Aug. 13: Responded to West Main Street in John Day for a custody dispute.

Aug. 13: Dispatched to a noninjury crash on West Main Street in John Day.

Aug. 14: Received a report of harassment on Northwest First Street in John Day.

Aug. 15: Received a report

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of a suspicious person at the city park in John Day.

Aug. 15: Responded to the Grant County Fairgrounds for a report of child neglect.

Aug. 15: After responding to a domestic dispute report at the fairgrounds, Kelly R. Shannon, 51, Reno, Nevada, was arrested and charged with fourth-degree assault and possession of methamphetamine.

Aug. 16: Following a traffic stop on Highway 26 east of John Day, Janice Fitzlaff, 72, Reedsport, was cited for speeding, 53/35 zone.

Aug. 16: Received a harassment complaint from Northwest First Street in John Day.

Aug. 17: Responded to a trespassing report on North Canyon Boulevard in John Day.

Aug. 17: Dispatched to Northwest Bridge Street in John Day for a report of shots fired.

Aug. 17: Responded to a report of a fight at the fairgrounds RV park in John Day.

Aug. 17: Ricky B. Gordon, 55, Canyon City, was arrested at the fairgrounds and charged with violating probation.

Aug. 18: Following a traffic stop on West Main Street in John Day, Kristopher D. McGarrity, 41, Reno, Nevada, was cited for driving with no license or insurance.

Aug. 18: Following a traffic stop on Main Street in John Day, Liborio Armenta-Lopez, 38, Kimberly, was cited for driving with no license or insurance.

Aug. 18: Following a traffic stop on Southwest First Street, Haley Miller, 20, John Day, was cited for driving without a license.

Aug. 18: Following a traffic stop on South Canyon Boulevard, Alyssa Lambeth, 19, Canyon City, was cited for using a mobile electronic device while driving.

Aug. 18: Kelly R. Shannon, 51, Reno, Nevada, was arrested at the fairgrounds and charged with violating a release agreement.

Aug. 18: Responded to a restaurant on Main Street for a harassment report.

Aug. 18: Following a traffic stop on Highway 26 east of John Day, Shawn M. Stalcup, 48, Burns, was cited for speeding, 53/35 zone.

Aug. 19: Dispatched to a coffee shop on Main Street in John Day for a suspicious person.

Aug. 19: Following a traffic stop on Highway 26 west of John Day, Jason Pattorf, 43, Lebanon, was cited for speeding, 55/30 zone.

Aug. 19: Following a traffic stop on Highway 26 east of John Day, Jennifer Hunt-Petrak, 42, Kihei, Hawaii, was cited for speeding, 65/35 zone.

• **Oregon State Police**  
Aug. 13: Received a report of livestock on Highway 26 near Pine Creek Road.

Aug. 16: Advised of cattle on Highway 7 east of Austin Junction.

• **Grant County Sheriff's Office**

Aug. 13: Received a report of a missing person on Highlan Drive in Mt. Vernon.

Aug. 13: Advised of a dispute on Dug Out Lane in John Day.

Aug. 13: Received a report of a suspicious person at a gas station in Canyon City.

Aug. 13: Advised of a suspicious person on Washington Street in Canyon City.

Aug. 14: Received a report of a noninjury crash on Highway 26 in Mt. Vernon.

Aug. 14: Advised of harassment on North McHaley Avenue in Prairie City.

Aug. 15: Received a livestock complaint from Schoolhouse Lane in Ritter.

Aug. 15: Advised of a civil problem on Screech Alley Loop in John Day.

Aug. 15: Received a report of a dispute on Sixth Street in Prairie City.

Aug. 15: Advised of an assault on Ingle Street in Mt. Vernon.

Aug. 15: Received a report of a person providing liquor to a minor on Bridge

Street in John Day.

Aug. 17: Responded with Seneca and John Day ambulance and Forest Service to a motorcycle accident with injury on Forest Road 16.

Aug. 18: Advised of a suicidal person on Ingle Street in Mt. Vernon.

Aug. 19: Received a fraud report from River Lane in John Day.

Aug. 19: Advised of a kidnapping on Highway 395 south of Canyon City.

Aug. 19: Received a report of an intoxicated person in the county jail.

• **John Day ambulance**  
Aug. 14: Responded to a call on Highway 402 near Monument.

Aug. 14: Dispatched to South Canyon Boulevard in John Day for an 85-year-old woman with flu-like symptoms.

Aug. 15: Responded to Northwest Third Street in John Day for a 68-year-old woman who lost consciousness.

Aug. 16: Dispatched to Trafton Avenue in John Day for an 87-year-old man who had fallen.

Aug. 18: Responded to First Street in John Day for a medical alarm.

Aug. 18: Dispatched to a senior care facility in Prairie City for a woman.

Aug. 19: Responded with Monument ambulance and the sheriff's office to Main Street in Monument for a person with mental problems.

Aug. 19: Dispatched to a grocery store in John Day for a sick man who fell down behind the store.

Aug. 19: Responded to a senior care facility in John Day for a woman.

• **Forest Service**  
Aug. 16: Advised of a tree on fire along Highway 7 near Austin Junction.

Aug. 18: Responded to Fawn Springs Trail for a report of an illegal fire.

• **Prairie City fire**  
Aug. 16: Responded to a report of a forest fire. John Day fire was advised.

## Air quality advisory issued for wildfire smoke

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North winds brought smoke from wildfires burning in Washington and Canada to Grant County this week, blocking the mountains and posing health hazards to the public. Sunday night lightning also started fires locally, and smoke blew in from fires in Central Oregon south of Condon.

The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality issued an air quality advisory for Central and Eastern Oregon Monday. The advisory, which was expected to last until Thursday, includes Grant and 14 other Oregon counties.

The DEQ ranked air quality as unhealthy in downtown John Day with a score of 168 Tuesday on the PM 2.5 index for fine particles in the atmosphere. The air in Baker City was ranked as moderate with a score of 80, and Burns was ranked unhealthy with a score of 171.

County health officials encourage residents to take the following precautions:

- Reduce time spent outdoors when smoke is present.
- Use an indoor high-efficiency air filter or electrostatic precipitator in homes to help create one or more rooms with cleaner air to breathe.
- Set air conditioning or heating units to recycle or recirculate when at home or in your car.
- Stay hydrated. Drink plenty of water.
- Reduce other sources of indoor smoke and dust, including: burning cigarettes, candles, gas or propane ranges, wood burning stoves and furnaces and vacuuming.
- Reduce the time engaged in vigorous outdoor activity.
- For people with heart or lung disease or respiratory illnesses such as asthma, follow a health care provider's advice about prevention and treatment of symptoms.



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