

Clark reprimanded by nursing board

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Blue Mountain Eagle

A local nurse practitioner has been reprimanded by the state nursing board. The Oregon State Board of Nursing on Jan. 9 issued a reprimand, the lowest form of discipline, to Shawna Clark, who operates Canyon Creek Clinic and formerly worked for Blue Mountain Hospital District. Clark self-reported to the board in August an incident in which she accessed her own medical chart and



Shawna Clark

ordered lab tests for herself that she said had been ordered by her medical provider but were not showing up in the system. Clark acknowledged the "error was on her part," according to the reprimand letter — essentially a public notice of a minor rule violation that does not place restrictions on duties or employment on a nursing license.

"I hope that the details are all there for the sake of transparency for everybody to see because I'm not ashamed," Clark said during a Wednesday interview at her new practice. "I'm not disputing the fact that I accessed my chart and put in the orders for my cholesterol and annual labs that were less than what my provider had ordered." Clark said, under the same circumstances, she would have done the same thing for anyone else but it was inappropriate for her to do so for herself. "If it was 6 a.m. and you had your

blood drawn, I would dang well put in your orders for your annual screening labs to look for diabetes and cholesterol," Clark said. Miriam Montalvo, a nursing board investigator, told Clark in a Dec. 15 email that she would plan to recommend the board dismiss the case with a letter of concern at the OSBN's January hearing. A letter of concern essentially closes an investigation with no discipline and does not become a public record, according to the nursing board's investiga-

tion and discipline process. The hospital placed Clark on administrative leave shortly after finding out she accessed her medical chart in July. Clark said her new private practice has been busy and that she is seeing a total of nearly 500 patients since she opened. "I have plenty of people to support me that legitimately know the situation," she said. "...It makes everything that happened not so painful."

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 Circuit Court

Darron L. Huskey, 56, pleaded guilty Aug. 12 to a count of criminal simulation committed on Jan. 28. He was sentenced to 18 months of bench probation, 40 hours of community service and ordered to pay \$149.50 in restitution to Chester's Thriftway. A count of third-degree theft was dismissed.

Byron E. Frieni, 38, pleaded guilty Feb. 1 to a count of possession of a stolen vehicle committed on Nov. 21. He also pleaded guilty on Jan. 28 to a count of third-degree theft committed Nov. 21. He was sentenced to 20 days in jail, 24 months of supervised probation and 100 hours of community service. He was also ordered to pay \$4,284 in fines. A count of unauthorized use of a vehicle was dismissed.

Rebecca T. Born, 31, pleaded guilty Jan. 21 to a count of delivery of methamphetamine committed on Oct. 11. She was sentenced to 36 months of supervised probation and 80 hours of community service. A count of manufacture of methamphetamine and a count of unlawful pos-

session of methamphetamine were dismissed.

Grant County Sheriff

The Grant County Sheriff's Office reported the following for the week of Feb. 3:

- Concealed handgun licenses: 13
- Average inmates: 10
- Bookings: 9
- Releases: 6
- Arrests: 0
- Citations: 0
- Fingerprints: 4
- Civil papers: 18
- Warrants processed: 6
- Assistance/Welfare check: 0
- Search and Rescue: 0

Grant County Justice Court

Driving while suspended: Shayla D. Winton, 19, John Day, Jan. 17, fined \$440.

Driving uninsured: Shayla D. Winton, 19, John Day, Jan. 17, fined \$265.

Failure to drive within lane: James K. Caudill, 62, Lebanon, Dec. 8, fined \$225.

Operating a motor vehicle in violation: Juvenile, 16, Prairie City, Dec. 23, fined \$265.

Wade A. Reimers pleaded guilty Feb. 1 to a count of hunting in a prohibited area, a count of waste of a game mammal and a count of unlawful possession of a buck deer. Reimers' hunting license was suspended for three years, and he was sentenced 18 months of probation and 40

hours of community service. Reimers was also ordered to pay \$2,250 in fines.

Thomas J. Deshazer, pleaded guilty Jan. 4 to a count of unlawful possession of a buck deer. His hunting license was suspended for three years, and he was sentenced to 18 months of supervised probation, 20 hours of community service and ordered to pay \$1,000 in fines.

Oregon State Police

Feb. 1: A state trooper responded to a reported single-vehicle crash at milepost 68.7 on Highway 395B. The investigation revealed the vehicle was heading northbound, negotiating a curve, when it lost traction on black ice roads. The vehicle started to slide, and the driver was unable to recover. The vehicle left the roadway on the southbound side of the road into a ditch and started to roll, coming to an uncontrolled rest in a creek on its top. The driver and passenger were transported to the hospital in Pendleton. The driver and passenger received non-life-threatening injuries. The vehicle was towed from the scene by Doug's Towing.

Feb. 3: A state trooper stopped a vehicle on Highway 26 near milepost 165 for a traffic violation. The driver, Jeremiah J. Alsop, 39, of Prairie City had one felony warrant and two misdemeanor warrants for his

arrest. Alsop's driver's license was also misdemeanor suspended. Dispatch confirmed the warrants. The trooper took Alsop into custody without incident. The vehicle was released to a licensed passenger. OSP transported Alsop to the Grant County Jail. The trooper issued Alsop with a citation for driving while suspended and lodged him on the warrants and driving while suspended.

Feb. 3: A state trooper assisted the John Day Police Department on a domestic disturbance on Southeast Hillcrest Drive. The John Day officer took Toby J. Yazzie, 27, into custody for fourth-degree assault. Yazzie made statements about the incident to the trooper while the John Day officer conducted his investigation. The John Day officer lodged Yazzie at the Grant County Jail.

Dispatch

John Day dispatch worked 123 calls during the week of Feb. 1-7, including:

- **John Day Police Department**
Feb. 2: Along with Grant County Sheriff's Office and Oregon State Police, responded to a report of domestic dispute. Karina Robinson, 21, of John Day was arrested on third-degree assault and resisting arrest.
Feb. 2: Advised of trespassing on East Main Street.

Feb. 3: Responded to a report of a commercial burglary alarm on Apple Road.

Feb. 3: Dispatched to a report of a motorcyclist traveling at a high rate of speed in John Day.

Feb. 3: Along with OSP, responded to a report of a domestic dispute in John Day. Toby Yazzie, 27, was arrested for fourth-degree assault

Feb. 4: Responded to a report of theft at a business on West Main Street.

Feb. 4: Along with GCSO and OSP, dispatched to a business on West Main Street for a report of harassment.

Feb. 5: Dispatched to a report of a restraining order violation.

Feb. 5: Travis J. Frieni, 34, of John Day was arrested for a restraining order violation.

Feb. 5: Advised of an ongoing problem with barking dogs on East Main Street.

Feb. 6: Cited Travis J. Frieni, 34, of John Day for a driving while suspended violation.

• **Oregon State Police**
Feb. 3: Received a livestock complaint on Highway 26 near milepost 158.

• **Grant County Sheriff's Office**
Feb. 4: Advised of a theft on North McHaley Street.

Feb. 4: Responded to a fight in John Day at West Main Street and Bridge Street.

Feb. 5: Thomas E. Pfeifer, 51, of Prairie Cit, was cited on a Grant County Justice Court warrant by GCSO.

Feb. 5: Cited Michael J. Cordonnier, 51, of Klamath Falls for speeding on Highway 395C near milepost 25.

Feb. 6: Prineville police arrested James E. Jewell, 38, of Prairie City on a Grant County warrant.

Feb. 6: Along with John Day police and OSP, responded for a report of a domestic dispute on Bridge Street.

Feb. 7: Responded to a report of motorists stuck in the snow on Magone Lake Road.

• **John Day ambulance**
Feb. 4: Responded to Prairie City for a patient with breathing issues on North Johnson Street.

Feb. 5: Responded to a Canyon City patient who fell on North Humbolt Street.

Feb. 6: Responded to Canyon City for a woman with high blood pressure and difficulty breathing on Nugget Street.

Feb. 6: Responded for a 91-year-old man with dizziness and elevated blood pressure on Dixie Creek Road.

Feb. 7: Responded for a 68-year-old woman with high blood pressure.

• **Prairie City fire**
Feb. 1: Along with GCSO, responded to a report of a vehicle fire on Highway 26 near Prairie City.

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Notice

Grant County Taxpayers

The second installment of the 2020-21 property tax is due Tuesday, February 16th, 2021 by 5:00 p.m.

Payments may be made at the Tax Collector's Office at the Grant County Courthouse in Canyon City, or the payment may be mailed and **postmarked** no later than **February 16th, 2021**. Please remember that delinquent taxes accrue interest at the rate of 16% per year. If you have any questions, please call the tax office at 575-0107 or 575-0189.

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Hello Grant County, Where did January go? It seems like we just had Christmas and now it's almost Valentine's Day!

It seems that we are starting 2021 almost the same as 2020. Hopefully, there will be light at the end of the tunnel. Stay strong Grant County!

I know this last year has been really hard for some of our businesses. Without the local support that they have received, some of them might not have made it. They still need our support because this isn't over yet.

Local support means everything to our small businesses! Lets' keep pulling together and get through this.

The Grant County Fairgrounds is hosting Magician Louie Foxx, a one-man side show on Friday, February 19th. Tickets are \$12 - Kids under 6 get in for \$5. Show Starts at 7PM- Doors open at 6PM. Tickets are available at the Fairgrounds and Chamber offices and online at grantcountyoregon.net. Social Distancing and Masks are Required. Only 200 tickets are available.

The Chamber Board will meet at the Chamber office on Thursday, February 18th at 10:30 AM for their monthly Business Meeting. Seating is limited due to Social Distancing Requirements. Happy Valentine's Day and stay well!
Tammy Bremner
Chamber Manager

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