

Sheriff's Report

May 4 -MCSO and Boardman Fire Department responded to a report of a VW van on fire, I-84 WB five miles east of Boardman.

Boardman Police Department received a report of three men - one with a BB gun and another with another type of gun that he had hidden underneath a coat in Boardman.

Oregon State Police received a report of a vehicle hit and run in Irrigon.

MCSO and Irrigon Ambulance responded to a report of a man assaulted with broken nose, scrapes and a cut. Man at first refused an ambulance but his nose wouldn't stop bleeding. He refused ambulance again.

Heppner Police Department received a report of a possible DUI in Heppner. Turned out the driver was just tired.

MCSO received a report of loud music in vehicles in Irrigon.

Oregon Department of Transportation and Oregon State Police received a report of a rock slide on Highway 26 milepost 88-90 almost blocking both lanes.

MCSO reported that the flood computer crashed and was rebooted.

May 5 -Oregon State Police received a report of a Ford Escort traveling at a very fast speed.

MCSO received a report of a green Bronco traveling at a high rate of speed at I-84 WB.

Heppner Police Department received a report of a rototiller that had been beaten with a hammer with \$2,000 in damage.

MCSO received a request for a deputy to pick up NSF checks at the Lexington gas station.

MCSO received a report of possible abuse of a student who lives in Irrigon.

MCSO received a report of a silent panic alarm at Klamath First Federal in Heppner. Turned out to be a false alarm.

Oregon State Police received a report of two adults getting in the back of a U-haul moving van. Man reporting incident was concerned about welfare of the adult in the U-haul.

MCSO received a report of a lunch pail deserted at Lone Schools containing drug paraphernalia.

Boardman Ambulance and Boardman Police Department received a report of a 12-year-old girl who had cut her foot and was bleeding heavily. She was transported to Good Shepherd Hospital.

Heppner Police Department received a report of a neighbor's kids teasing a dog.

Boardman Police Department received a report of a domestic assault. Brent Musick, 25, was arrested for Assault III domestic.

MCSO received a report of music cranked up loud in a vehicle.

May 6 - MCSO received a report of excessive noise in Boardman from a diesel water pump placed in the canal at Canal Lane, Boardman.

MCSO received a report of windows broken out of bathroom at Willow Creek Dam Day Park.

Oregon State Police, Columbia Basin and State Highway Division received a report of a truck losing its load and hitting a power pole.

Heppner Police Department received a report of an adult shoplifter at Central Red Market in Heppner. Dora Melanie Starr, 56, was cited for Theft III.

Heppner Ambulance received a report for a 30-year-old male patient having seizures at Heppner Dental Office.

MCSO received a request for a deputy to cite a student at CMS for disorderly conduct.

MCSO received a report of a person being harassed by juveniles in Irrigon.

MCSO received a report of an on-going problem with loud music in Irrigon.

MCSO received a report of a person detained at Tupper with a possible MIP. Another subject had left on foot.

May 7 -MCSO received a report of a robbery of \$17 in Tupper area.

Boardman Police Department received a report of an audible burglar alarm/motion detector at Riverside High School.

Heppner Ambulance received a report of a man who had fallen in Heppner and couldn't get up. Daughter called back and said she would take care of it.

MCSO received a request to fill a fraud complaint against a man

in Irrigon.

MCSO received a report of a domestic dispute in progress with weapons. MCSO responded to back up Umatilla County.

MCSO received a report of a broken water main in Heppner.

MCSO received a report of an on-going loud music problem from a blue Outlass.

Boardman Police department received a report of a white van speeding around Desert Springs Estates. Driver had been suspended. A gun was confiscated and vehicle was impounded.

Heppner Police Department received a report of someone entering a house without owner's permission, taking pick-up keys and driving off in pick-up. Owner wanted to report pick-up stolen.

May 8-MCSO received a report of a stolen travel trailer in Irrigon.

MCSO received a report that someone left a baby in the phone booth at the Irrigon Marina. Officer searched area but was unable to locate anything.

Heppner Police Department received a report of a burglary and money stolen at D & L Auto Parts in Heppner. The incident was recorded on tape.

MCSO received a report of a vehicle hit and run at Sentry Market in Irrigon. MCSO arrested Larry Lynn Ledgerwood, 32, for DUII.

MCSO received a report of a child with a whip harassing cows as they were watering. Child left and caller did not wish contact with police.

MCSO received a report of a suspicious pickup at Patterson Ferry Road.

MCSO received a request for an ambulance for a female at Bakes in Irrigon. Woman had fallen or was pushed off a bar stool. Ambulance was cancelled.

MCSO received a report of an animal problem in Irrigon. When deputy responded, dogs chased deputy to his patrol car.

MCSO received a report of domestic disturbance at Irrigon Mobile Court.

MCSO arrested Tony Lee Wilson, 35, for Driving While Suspended, felony on wildlife refuge.

MCSO received a report of a couple yelling and screaming at each other at their home in Irrigon. Officials were unable to locate anyone upon arrival.

Boardman Police Department received a report of a civil problem concerning moving a trailer into Wilson road Trailer Court. MCSO arrested John Joseph Horner Jr., 51, on two Umatilla County Sheriff's Office warrants for failure to appear/driving while suspended and failure to appear/driving under the influence of intoxicants. He was lodged at UCSO Jail.

MCSO received a report of a dog barking in Irrigon.

MCSO received a request for an officer concerning a noise complaint.

Heppner Police Department received a request for an officer to the fairgrounds in Heppner for a lock out.

Heppner Police Department and MCSO responded to a report of a woman who had been allegedly assaulted by her step son. She reported that she had been assaulted, her clothes ripped and she was bleeding. Corey Gamel, 21, was arrested for Assault III. Donna Gamel was cited for Assault IV. He was transported to UCSO Jail and she to Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

MCSO received a report of an audible alarm at Humes Washboard and BP in Irrigon. Turned out to be employee error.

Heppner Police Department, Heppner Fire Department and Heppner ambulance responded to a report of a one vehicle motor vehicle accident in front of old swimming pool on Heppner-Condon Highway. Ambulance was cancelled.

MCSO received a report of water sprayed on a house from an irrigation circle.

MCSO received a report of Criminal Mischief I at Irrigon.

MCSO received a request for an officer from a male who said his step dad grabbed him by the arm and neck and threw him out.

MCSO received a call from Good Shepherd Hospital concerning a man who had come in with a pellet gun wound to his right leg occurring in Boardman.

MCSO received a report of a male subject assaulted by another male in Irrigon.

Letters to the Editor

Editor's note: Letters to the Editor must be signed. The Gazette-Times will not publish unsigned letters. Please include your address and phone number on all letters for use by the G-T office. The G-T reserves the right to edit.

Atkinson promotes self-interest

To the Editor:

I believe that when a candidate uses his elective political offices to gain an unfair advantage over other candidates in a contested race, he should be censured. In a primary election, the party at the county and state level must remain neutral.

I am amazed that Perry Atkinson, a candidate for Congress, has not resigned from his positions as chairman of the GOP Central Committee in Jackson County and vice-chairman of the Oregon Republican Party.

I cannot understand why candidates and party officials

have not demanded his resignation. To aggregate this much political power and then to use these offices to promote his candidacy in a contested primary is not only unseemly, but in clear violation of standards of neutrality in contested primaries, traditionally observed by both political parties.

If Perry Atkinson is willing to abuse the power granted him as an elected political officer of his party, there is no question that he would use his congressional office and power to promote his self-interest.

(s) Layton DeZell
Central Point

Atkinson violates party neutrality

To the Editor:

As one who has campaigned twice in the 2nd District, in 1992 and in 1994, I am thoroughly familiar with the character and tactics of the numerous candidates who campaigned with me in the GOP U.S. Senate primary and the 2nd Congressional District primary campaigns.

Never in my 65 years have I seen any elected Oregon congressman, senator, governor or any office holder, except Bob Packwood, derive nearly 90 percent of his campaign funds from outside his constituency. Greg Walden has now achieved that distinction, ironically, a man who was willing two years ago to form his own party to nominate himself for election to Congress.

Further, can you imagine Sam Coon, Denny Smith or Bob Smith, the Second District's Congressmen over the past 50 years holding down state party and county chairmanships while seeking nomination in a contested primary?

What makes Perry Atkinson think that it is fair for him to do just that, violating the traditional position of neutrality of his party primary elections.

The public should demand that he resign his party offices because of conflict of interest between his elected political party affiliations and his campaign for a seat in Congress. It is only fair to the other candidates in the race.

(s) John DeZell
Central Point

Huss long on solutions

To the Editor:

The mainline newspapers would have us believe we only have two choices for governor-Sizemore vs. Kitzhaber. But now that Sizemore's campaign seems to be fizzling out, we're fortunate to have Walt Huss also running for GOP governor.

Unlike most other candidates, Walt Huss is short on rhetoric but long on solutions. While many complain about the tax-and-spend legislators, Huss submitted his two percent equal tax initiative in 1994 to the people. It received 284,195 "yes" votes.

In the 1970s, Huss went to

Oregon's 36 counties to show grassroots people how they could get informed and involved. Today's GOP growth can be directly attributed to that. The GOP said things would change if they could get control of the legislature. The GOP-controlled legislature in 1997 approved more than Kitzhaber requested in his \$26 billion budget. Things haven't changed.

Read about the accomplishments of Walter Huss in your Voters' Pamphlet. Vote Walt Huss on May 19.

(s) Betty Freauf
Turner

Set the record straight

To the Editor:

Dear Candidate Walden: I am writing this letter to you, and providing it to newspapers that serve the Second District, in order to set the record straight regarding a statement you allegedly made during a public debate at noon in Hermiston on April 28. A reliable individual who was present at that debate quotes you as having said, "Cooley might have a 100 percent voting record on property rights but the property rights people in Oregon, Oregonians In Action, is supporting me." As you unquestionably know, that statement is only half true.

It is true, I believe, that voting records indicate Representative Cooley had a flawless voting record on property rights issues while in Congress. It is not true,

however, that OIA supports you in your bid for Congress. Oregonians In Action, as an organization, has not declared its support for any candidate in your primary race. Individuals within the organization are, of course, free to support the candidate of choice.

Oregonians In Action is recognized for its integrity and relentless defense of personal property rights. It troubles me, and it should trouble you sir, that voters will be lead to believe that there are shared views and values regarding property rights issues when, in fact, that may not be the case.

In the event the subject quote is accurate, and I believe it is, you may wish to take personal action to set the record straight.

(s) Jasper H. Coombes,
Richland, OR

In the Service

Army Private Miguel A. Gutierrez has entered basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

During the training, he will receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, map reading, tactics, military customs and courtesies, and first aid. He will develop basic combat skills, and experience using various

weapons available to the infantry soldier.

Gutierrez is the son of Albeza F. Gutierrez of Irrigon. His wife, Loretta, is the daughter of Francisco and Maria Perez of 204 Oblate, Mission, Texas.

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Task force emphasizes monitoring need

The Monitoring Task Force for the destruction of chemicals at the Army Depot in Umatilla, made up of federal, tribal, state, county and local representatives met May 4 to further define the process for obtaining chemical agent monitoring equipment.

The monitoring system, in conjunction with personal protective equipment, would be used by emergency first responders in the "unlikely" event of a chemical release at the Umatilla Chemical Depot.

During a conference call with representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the U.S. Army, the task force discussed response situations where agent monitoring capability would provide essential information and enhance response efforts.

Oregon occupational safety requirements demand that workers who respond to possible hazardous substance incidents be adequately protected, said a Release from Morrow County Emergency Management.

Series scheduled on Ed-Net

Northeast Oregon Area Health Education Center (NEOAHEC) will offer a "coding compliance series" via satellite at local ED-NET I sites on June 3, 10 and 17 from 12-1 p.m.

A comprehensive class workbook is included with the

registration fee of \$35 per person. A discount rate of \$25 per person is available to groups of four or more from the same organization. Registration deadline is May 15.

For more information contact Carole Smith, 962-3423.

NCORS board meeting slated May 21

The North Central Oregon Regional Strategies board meeting will be held Thursday, May 21 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Gilliam County Fairgrounds in Condon.

The agenda is as follows: call to order; introductions; minutes of March meeting; financial report;

reports from (action as needed)- chair, staff, MCEDD, GEODC, OEDD, policies and procedures task force, tourism task force/ NCOTC, environmental/professional services task force, natural resources task force, county capacity builders; and the 1998-99 funding process.

Umatilla County plans jail expansion

Umatilla County will soon have three times its current capacity for housing Eastern Oregon's adult inmate population. McCormack Construction of Pendleton and Lombard-Conrad Architects of Boise, Idaho, have just finished the first phase of the county's \$1.49 million justice facilities project.

The community corrections center is a 10,000-square-foot, non-secure building with 28 beds and administrative offices for the Community Corrections Department and parole and probation employees.

Phase 2, scheduled for completion this December, contains the detention facility, CSEPP emergency operations

center, 911 dispatch and offices for the sheriff's department and 911 staff.

The 66,000-square-foot jail is a medium-to-high security for 192 inmates, with a design that allows for possible future expansion to 256 beds. According to Bruce Peet, project manager for Umatilla County's justice facilities, "Umatilla County has had a positive working relationship with McCormack Construction ever since the beginning of this project with professional assistance throughout. It has been a real pleasure working with Dave Fisher and the management team. I wish every project would run as smoothly as this one has."

Med Quest camp planned in June

Interested in pursuing a health career? Looking for a neat way to spend a week this summer? Here's the camp for you.

MedQuest '98, the Northeast Oregon Area Health Education Center sponsored Health Careers Choices Camp will be held June 22-26, 1998. Held on the Eastern Oregon University campus, students who live in the NEOAHEC region, and are entering the 10-12th grade next fall, or 12th graders who graduated in spring 1998 are

eligible. Tuition for the camp is \$225, which includes meals, housing and all activities.

Sessions will include health career information, self enrichment, hands-on clinical skills and workshops, as well as opportunities to shadow health care professionals.

Student enrollment is limited to 30 students. For additional information or to receive an application packet, contact NEOAHEC at (541) 962-3801.

Groundbreaking held on packing plant

Official groundbreaking of Morrow Cold Storage and Watts Brothers Packing and Distribution Co. was held May 7 at the Port of Morrow.

The new 230,000 sq. ft. freezer warehouse, dry storage and repackaging facility is a joint partnership between Watts Brothers Frozen Foods and the Port of Morrow.

Morrow Cold Storage and Watts Brothers Packing and Distribution will allow Watts Brothers Frozen Foods to expand their current packaging and logistical capabilities to better meet the needs of their current customers, said a Port of Morrow news release. Morrow Cold Storage intends to operate as a public ware-

housing facility, accepting product from food processors all over the Columbia Basin area, the release said. Watts Brothers Packaging and Distribution will operate under a separate lease arrangement and will be solely managed by Watts Brothers Frozen Foods.

Morrow Cold Storage and Watts Brothers Packing and Distribution will employ approximately 50 people.

Construction has begun on the \$8.7 million facility and is estimated to take three months to complete. "The Port's goal is to have this facility operational and accepting product by September 15 of this year," said Gary Neal, general manager of the Port of Morrow.

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