

## Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) reports handling the following business:

MCSO received a report of a dog complaint in Irrigon.

MCSO received a report from a woman in Irrigon that someone dumped five part-Rottweiler puppies at her residence.

MCSO received a report of a motorhome stuck in the sand at Highway 730 and Bombing Range.

Oregon State Police received a report of several 911 calls for a rollover accident on I-84 westbound. It was a non-injury accident, but was blocking traffic.

MCSO received a report of a non-injury rollover accident on I-84 westbound.

MCSO deputy arrested Michael Sterling Patterson, 26, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Reckless Driving. Patterson, who also had a felony warrant out of the sheriff's office in Pendleton for Parole Violation/Driving while License Suspended, was lodged at the UCSO jail.

MCSO deputy cited a 14 year old juvenile for Assault IV.

MCSO received a report of a suspicious male lying on the ground in Irrigon.

MCSO deputy assisted Boardman Police Dept.

MCSO deputy assisted Umatilla Police Dept. with a motor vehicle accident on Highway 730.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report from a male subject that another male subject threw a cup at his brother.

Heppner Police and Fire depts. received a report of a fire alarm stuck on at Heppner Elementary School, but there was no fire.

Lane County Sheriff's Office arrested Dellana Irene Ferrell, 19, on a Morrow County circuit court warrant. Ferrell was lodged at the Lane County jail.

Sept. 14: MCSO received a report of a domestic dispute in progress in Irrigon.

MCSO, Irrigon ambulance received a report of an alarm with a TLC Medical Alert, for a woman who may need assistance.

Heppner Police Dept., Heppner EMTs received a report on an unattended death.

Heppner ambulance received a report of a woman with a possible broken ankle at St. Patrick's Senior Center. The patient was transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

MCSO received a report of a hold-up alarm at the Bank of Eastern Oregon in Boardman. It was a false alarm.

Heppner Police Dept. received a report of a female and her boyfriend threatening to take their baby away from the grandmother.

MCSO received a report of someone tearing the knob off a garage door at Columbia Middle School in Irrigon.

Heppner Police Dept. received a report of a female assaulted by another female's boyfriend.

MCSO received a report of a male subject threatening another male subject.

Boardman Fire Dept. received a report of a fire alarm at Riverside High School. It was a false alarm.

MCSO received a request to talk to a deputy regarding vehicles on property.

MCSO, UCSO, Heppner Rescue, Heppner ambulance, Ukiah Quick Response Team received a report of a 41 year old male pinned between his trailer and a tree between Penland and Ukiah.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a drive-off at the Boardman BP station.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a citizen requesting an officer.

MCSO received a request for an extra patrol for expected trouble in Irrigon.

MCSO received a request for a welfare check from a man concerning his wife and daughter in Irrigon who recently delivered a baby. No one was answering the phone.

MCSO received a report from an Irrigon woman that she was assaulted by a male subject. She had a red mark on her.

MCSO received a report of a possible prowler and pounding on a window of a residence in Irrigon.

The caller was home alone with her children.

MCSO, Irrigon Fire Dept. received a report of a disabled vehicle with a mattress on fire.

Heppner Police Dept. received a report of a shot fired near the creek.

MCSO deputy arrested Kevin Lee McCord, 20, Irrigon, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Driving while License Suspended.

Sept. 15: Oregon State Police received a report from UCSO of a disturbance between a father and son in Irrigon.

MCSO deputy advised he cleared tires off the road on I-84.

MCSO received a report at 9:08 a.m. of all the 911 lines down except Heppner, Lexington, Lone and Boardman. All the long distance lines were down too. US Sprint advised that the problem was three downed lines that were affecting most of Eastern Oregon.

MCSO received a report from a Boardman resident that someone dropped a dead dog off at her residence the previous night.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a loose pit bull.

MCSO received a report of cows out on the highway in Lone.

MCSO deputy advised of an investigation of a sex abuse case for Services for Children and Families.

MCSO received a report of the 911 and long distance lines down from a cut fiber optic line in the Madras area.

MCSO received a report the long distance and 911 lines were up again by 3:37 p.m.

MCSO deputy arrested Ramon Carrion Mendoza, 23, Irrigon, for Sex Abuse I. Mendoza was lodged at the UCSO jail with a bail of \$12,500.

Boardman Police Dept. received a request for an officer for a suspicious female at the Wilson Road Trailer Park.

MCSO received a request for an officer for a noisy semi truck with a refer going for two days.

Heppner Police Dept. received a request for an officer about a custodial situation.

MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a request for an officer at Driftwood RV Park for a fight between two intoxicated males. Eugene Phillip Back, 51, Woodland, WA, was arrested for Disorderly Conduct and Resisting Arrest. He was lodged at the UCSO jail on \$9,000 bail.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a hit-and-run on I-82 southbound involving a white Ford Ranger that should have front end damage.

MCSO received an inquiry from a woman in Irrigon as to whether her husband was still in jail because she could hear dogs barking.

MCSO deputy arrested Lorenzo Amaya Cruz, 27, Boardman, for DUII.

Sept. 16: Boardman Police Dept., Boardman ambulance received a request for an ambulance at Riverside High School for a student who had taken 20 Tylenols. The student was transported to Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston.

MCSO received a report of a male subject flagging down a MCSO deputy to report that someone had broken his car window.

MCSO received a report that someone had stolen the flag from Lone City Park.

MCSO received a report that someone had stolen a bench grinder from Kinzua Mill in Heppner.

MCSO received a report of a theft of produce from the Last Chance Fruit Stand on Highway 730 in Irrigon.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a pickup speeding through Wilson Road Trailer Park.

Oregon State Police, Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a Greyhound bus stalled in the eastbound lane of I-84. The bus made it into Boardman.

MCSO received a report of ongoing vandalism on top of Slaughterhouse on Stocktrail Drive to power poles, gang graffiti, burning fence posts and shooting.

Heppner Police Dept. received a report of a man staggering down the middle of Gale Street in Heppner headed toward the bridge and possibly a hazard. The subject was

located and returned to his daughter's residence.

Boardman Police Dept. received a request for an officer concerning an assault.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a possible problem with two vehicles pulling in quickly and jumping out at someone outside.

Sept. 17: Hermiston Police Dept. arrested Julie Ann Wilde, 28, on a Morrow County circuit court warrant for Possession of a Controlled Substance II/DUII. Wilde was lodged at the UCSO jail with a \$30,000 bail.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of pickup tires slashed at the Trail Apts.

MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a request for an officer contact regarding an incident. The caller said his daughter was staying with a friend she isn't supposed to be with.

MCSO received a report of a dog running loose and snapping at everyone in Irrigon.

MCSO, Morrow County Road Dept. received a report of a large onion spill on the road on Bombing Range milepost five.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a drive-off without paying for \$10 of gasoline at the Boardman Chevron.

MCSO received a report of a car pulling in front of another car, slamming on the brakes, and almost causing a wreck in Boardman.

Heppner Police Dept. received a report of a small campfire under the edge of the bridge by the reservoir. An officer was unable to locate any smoke or fire.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of an intrusion alarm at Boardman Pharmacy. The building was secure.

MCSO deputy cited Hubert Lee Phipps, 62, Boardman, for DUII. He blew a .19.

Hermiston Police Dept. arrested Dale Joseph Ritchie, 34, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Possession of Less than One Oz. Marijuana. Ritchie was lodged at the UCSO jail with additional Irrigon Justice Court charges of Failure to Pay Fine/Driving while License Suspended.

Heppner Police Dept. received a report of Bucknum's Tavern door open at 10 p.m. An officer secured the building.

Sept. 18: MCSO received a report at 4:12 a.m. from a man in Irrigon that his 14 year old stepson is missing. The teen was last seen at his girlfriend's house and was supposed to be on his way home. He was located at 4:50 a.m. asleep in the backyard.

MCSO received a report of a green Ford Courier taken from property at Sandhollow.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of two Rottweilers loose.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a fender-bender at the Boardman Chevron.

MCSO, Hermiston Police Dept., Irrigon ambulance received a request for an ambulance for an 89 year old having trouble breathing.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a drive-off from the Boardman Chevron for \$22.94. The vehicle returned.

Milton-Freewater Police Dept. arrested Stephen Ronald Bray, 27, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Driving while License Suspended. Bray was lodged at the UCSO jail.

Boardman Police Dept., Boardman ambulance received a report of a three year old boy hit by a car in a hit-and-run. The boy was transported to Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. The suspect vehicle was a faded red Ford Festiva.

Heppner Police Dept. cited Deana Rae Hendricks, 20, for Assault IV.

Heppner Police Dept., Morrow County Behavioral Health received a report of a female at a residence who wouldn't leave.

Heppner Police Dept., Heppner ambulance received a request for an ambulance. One patient was transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report from a woman that a male subject threatened to kill her.

MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report of 30-40 males yelling and screaming at

DSE in Boardman.

Umatilla Police Dept. arrested Eulalio Silva, 25, Hermiston, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for DUII. Silva was lodged at the UCSO jail with a \$6,000 bail.

Sept. 19: MCSO received a report of a theft of hay.

Heppner Police Dept. received a request for an extra patrol at a Heppner residence.

MCSO, Oregon State Police received a report from a woman that she is traveling with her husband in separate cars and he threatened her.

MCSO received a report of a boat in the Columbia that ran out of gasoline.

MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a drive-off for \$19.76 worth of gasoline from the Boardman BP station.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of an audible burglary alarm at Riverside High School. It was set off by mistake.

Heppner Police Dept. received a report of four kids in the city park tearing up the picnic tables.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of another audible burglar alarm at Riverside High School. It was false.

MCSO received a request for contact concerning a woman alone in a remote area concerned about her renters.

Oregon State Police, Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a possible drunk driver on I-84 eastbound.

MCSO deputy reported he was flagged down concerning an assault.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report from a woman about loud music from a neighbor's car.

## EOU, BMCC continue joint bachelor's program

Eastern Oregon University and Blue Mountain Community College announce the continuation of a joint baccalaureate degree program in business economics to be delivered within the BMCC service area.

The program is a part of the Eastern Oregon Collaborative Colleges Center (EOCCC).

"Principles of Management" BA 321, will be offered this fall beginning September 29. Dr. Ted Atkinson of Eastern will teach this core business program course for five credits that will meet six to seven times throughout the term on Wednesday evenings from 5-9 p.m. at BMCC in Pendleton.

According to Deborah Lee, director of Eastern's Umatilla/Morrow Regional Center, "The Business/Economics degree program is designed for persons who are place-bound in the Umatilla/Morrow county area. These persons desire to complete a degree in business/economics but cannot travel to EOU in La Grande to finish the final two years of the degree program after obtaining BMCC's business transfer associate's degree. This program offers a solution to this challenge."

Students entering the program will complete the business degree transfer program through BMCC. The remainder of the program will be delivered by Eastern through distance education. Transfer students from other colleges and universities are also good candidates for the program. The courses will be offered via a number of delivery formats including traditional classes

## Desert Arts Council to present Rogers tribute

The one-man show, "Lance Brown's Tribute to Will Rogers" will be presented at the Hermiston Community Center on Saturday, Oct. 9, at 7 p.m. Admission is \$12 for adults, \$8 for DAC members and \$5 for students.

"Lance Brown's Tribute to Will Rogers" is a journey into the American experience. Actor/musician Lance Brown plays and sings cowboy songs and Roaring 20s music as a backdrop to Rogers' life story. "He moves in and out of character, making Rogers accessible to audience members of all ages, to one moment he is a historian and storyteller and in the next he is the rope-twirling cowboy philosopher himself," said a release.

Brown has traveled the country performing his tribute for over a decade. Drawing on these experiences, in 1997 he wrote a

book entitled, "On the Road with Will Rogers." In it he chronicles how Will Rogers' wit and wisdom still connect with us today.

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in the Old West and became one of the most prominent citizens of his day. Noted for his gentle humor and homespun philosophy, Rogers skewered the rich and powerful and they loved him for it.

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## Drive with caution when deer are near

The Oregon Department of Transportation urges motorists to drive with caution when deer are near.

There were more than 2,400 traffic accidents involving deer or elk during the last five years in Oregon. These collisions killed 10 people and injured another 519. Insurance experts estimate that hitting a deer can cause an average of \$2,000 in damages to your car.

Motorists are encouraged to drive the speed limit and always scan the sides of the roadway for deer and elk.

The Oregon Department of Transportation has created "clear zones" along state highways where brush, trees and rocks are removed to help drivers better see deer, elk and other wildlife trying to cross the road.

The best way for motorists to avoid hitting deer on the roadway is to drive cautiously and be aware.

"We haven't had much luck with deer crossing signs, primarily because there are deer everywhere in the state and their migration routes tend to fluctuate depending on the season and where the feed and water are. As a rule I encourage people to assume there are animals near the highway and to drive accordingly," said George Ruby, operations coordinator for ODOT's District 12 in Pendleton.

Here are some driving tips that can help you steer clear of a roadside wildlife encounter: -Don't rely entirely on deer crossing signs. Deer and elk can't read, and may choose another place to cross the road.

-Expect the unexpected. Wildlife crossings change seasonally, depending on where animals may find food and water.

-Be extra careful driving in the early morning or at dusk. These are the times that wildlife is most active and will most likely try to cross highways.

-If you hit a deer or other animal, don't try to move it if it's still alive. Many people are injured each year trying to help a hurt animal. Only move a dead animal to the side of the road if it is safe to do so.

-If you hit a deer or other wildlife, call the State Police at 1-800-452-7888. They can arrange to have the animal picked up and disposed of properly. Don't do it yourself - it's against the law.

As you drive along the highway, keep the following deer-related facts in mind: -Deer are most active just before sunrises and just after sunsets, the same time many of us drive to and from work.

-Many of Oregon's roads run along meadows and waterways - the same places deer go for food and water.

-Deer are blinded by headlights and can become easily confused. If you see a deer alongside the road, assume it will run in front of you.

-Deer tend to travel in groups. If you see one there are probably others nearby.

-Deer tend to travel on ridge tops and through draws. Be aware when the road you are traveling crosses these kinds of geographic features.

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