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Sheriff's Report

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

MCSO received a report of someone screaming, "Help me," near Driftwood RV Park. It was kids jumping on a trampoline.

April 22: MCSO received a report of a subject refusing to leave a residence and threatening to take a TV.

MCSO received a report of a possible counterfeit \$20 bill at Sentry Market.

Oregon State Police received a report of a dead fawn with the backstrap removed found in the middle of Black Mountain Lane off Willow Creek Road.

MCSO received a report from Gilliam County of a man who sold a woman from Heppner a dog advising it was a border collie and it turned out to be a lab. The woman stopped payment on the check and the man is out a dog.

MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report of an audible alarm at Boardman Auto Repair. The door was just left unlocked.

MCSO received a report of two suspicious vehicles in Irrigon backed up to each other with the trunks open.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a vehicle with two year old stickers and no month stickers.

Boardman Police Dept. arrested Ruben Gonzalez Velasco, 24, for Failure to Appear/DUII. He was lodged at the UC Jail with \$10,000 bail.

MCSO received a report of suspicious circumstances at a Boardman residence.

April 23: MCSO received a report of a disturbance with a male subject trying to get into a female's residence in Irrigon. William Paul Thielen, 45, was arrested on a

P&P detainer and lodged at the UC Jail. The victim was to be notified when the subject was to be released from jail.

MCSO received a report of someone urinating on the side of a building in Boardman.

MCSO received a report of a van blocking a car at Sandpiper Apts. in Boardman.

MCSO received a 911 call from an Irrigon residence with a possible domestic dispute going on. It turned out to be a computer line that called 911. The residents said they had been having phone line problems.

Boardman ambulance received a request for an ambulance for an 86 year old female with a blood clot in her leg. The patient was transported to Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston.

MCSO, Oregon State Police, Boardman and Umatilla Police depts. received a report of a \$13.25 drive-off from the Boardman Chevron.

MCSO received a report of excess dust going into a residence.

MCSO, Oregon State Police, ODOT, Boardman Fire Dept., Boardman ambulance, tow truck received a report of a one vehicle rollover accident on I-84 eastbound. The victim refused transport.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a vehicle tearing around Wilson Road Trailer Court.

MCSO received a report of an Irrigon female threatened by her boyfriend in Umatilla. She was given the Umatilla Police Dept. phone number.

MCSO received a report from a woman that she was to pick up her 4½ year old daughter, but she was not there.

Oregon State Police received a report of a possible DUII in Boardman.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a five year old hit by a car. The callers were en route to Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston.

MCSO received a report of two kids with pellet guns at a trailer on the caller's property in Irrigon.

Heppner Police Dept. received a request for an ambulance for a 50 year old man with chest pains. The patient was transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

April 24: MCSO received another report from Western Alfalfa. The door was left open for employees.

MCSO received a report of a fire alarm at Lone Elementary School. There was no fire.

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MCSO received report from a male who says he has been receiving threatening phone calls and messages from a male subject.

MCSO received request for deputy contact concerning a stolen credit card.

MCSO received request for deputy contact concerning a purchase paid for with a cancelled credit card.

Oregon Police Department received report of truck traveling 80 plus on I-84 eastbound.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a possible transient, who appeared to have been drinking, parked at the RV park in Boardman.

Boardman Police Dept. received a request for an officer at a trailer court in Boardman on a noise complaint.

May 15: MCSO received a report of a problem dog back at a Boardman residence.

MCSO received a request for a house watch in Boardman.

MCSO deputy assisted Boardman Police Dept. with a traffic stop in Boardman.

MCSO received a report from a Boardman woman that she had fallen out of her wheelchair and couldn't get up. She refused medical assistance.

Ione EMTs, Heppner ambulance received a request for an ambulance in Ione for a possible stroke victim. The patient was transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

Boardman Police Dept. arrested Julio Aaron Bernal-Gutierrez, 22, for Unlawful Entry into a Vehicle and Theft III. He was cited and released.

MCSO received a report from a Boardman residence that a person delivering furniture to his residence while the owners were gone found a key and entered the residence, delivering the furniture. The caller wanted to press formal charges.

Julianna Mary Wanous, 30, was arrested on a Morrow County Cir-

Obituaries

Merle Cecil Swaggart

Merle Cecil Swaggart, 87, of Ritter, died June 4, 2000, at Ritter.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, June 7, 2000, at the Ritter Cemetery in Ritter.

Mr. Swaggart was born on May 24, 1913, at Flora, to Franklin and Ana Bell Swaggart. He attended Pine City Buttercreek schools; he also attended school in Portland.

He married Luella on February 1, 1932 at John Day.

Mr. Swaggart was a cattle rancher. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, traveling, horses, and most of all, his family.

Survivors include wife Luella Swaggart, at home; daughters Althea Gibbs of Stanfield and Mary Lou Blackwell of Anahim Lake, California; son Cecil Swaggart of Ritter; brother Gerald Swaggart of Pendleton; great-uncle Wayne Swaggart of Woodburn; 11 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by daughter Betty Kennedy, two sisters and his parents.

Memorial contributions may be made to a heart fund or cancer fund of the donor's choice.

Driskill Memorial Chapel of John Day was in charge of arrangements.

cuit Court warrant for Burglary I, Possession of a Controlled Substance II, Theft II. She was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail with \$50,000 bail.

MCSO, Oregon State Police received a report of an audible burglar alarm at the Irrigon Learning Center. It was an employee error. It was the employee's first day on the job and he got locked in after the alarm activated.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a snake in a residence. They killed the snake, but wanted it identified. It was a bull snake.

Heppner Police Dept. received a report of juveniles throwing rocks at cattle pastured next to the Mt. Glen Apts.

MCSO received a report from an Irrigon woman that when her 16 year old son left the house to go jogging the neighbors yelled "Klu Klux Klan" and "KKK" at him.

MCSO received a report that a boat in the Columbia River with three adults and two kids was taking on water fast. The leak was plugged and the boat made it in to the Irrigon Marina all right.

Morrow County Road Dept. received a report of a stop sign down in Irrigon.

James Floyd Percy, 58, was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance II. He turned himself into the Umatilla County Jail with \$20,000 bail.

MCSO received a request for an officer concerning speeding and not stopping at a stop sign in Irrigon.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of two more snakes at the same Boardman residence. The residents wanted to know who call to take care of the problem.

MCSO received a request for information concerning an eviction notice.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a domestic dispute at a Boardman residence. Josh Atlee Chandler, 28, was arrested for Menacing, Domestic. He was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail with \$6,000 bail.

May 16: MCSO received a report of a suspicious vehicle near a Boardman residence.

Heppner Police Dept. received a report of a vehicle parked outside the Heppner city limit on Highway 207 and a small child walking toward town.

Heppner Police Dept. received a report of several cows walking toward Main Street from the Heppner-Condon Highway.

MCSO received a report from an Irrigon woman that her neighbor was cutting trees on her property.

MCSO, Morrow County Behavioral Health, Irrigon ambulance received a report of an Irrigon subject talking on the Internet saying he was going to end it all by taking medication. MCBH was requested.

MCSO received a report of possible animal abuse in Irrigon. The animals were okay.

MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a distress alarm at the Boardman Bank of Eastern Oregon.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of loud noise from a vehicle.

MCSO received a report of an alarm at Cascade Specialties. It was a false alarm.

MCSO received a request for assistance. A subject asked MCSO to call his brother as he broke a fan belt.

MCSO deputy was flagged down by a Boardman woman concerning a dog problem.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of loud music.

MCSO deputy arrested Ronald Lynn Reynolds, 39, Irrigon, for DUII. His vehicle was towed.

MCSO received a report of an audible burglar alarm at Les Schwab. The building was secure.

May 17: MCSO received a report of a dog harassing a bull in Boardman.

MCSO received a report of trucks and a tractor broken into and items taken at Western Empire.

MCSO, Boardman Fire Dept. received a report of a vehicle on fire continuing to travel westbound on I-84. The vehicle stopped and was towed.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a Boardman subject using her cousin's ID.

Irrigon ambulance received a report of a teacher at Columbia Middle School in Irrigon having chest pains and having trouble breathing. The patient was transported to Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston.

Boardman Police Dept. arrested Jody Lynn Lemon, 21, on a Hermiston warrant for DUII and a Pendleton Sheriff's Office warrant for Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle. The subject was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail with \$35,000 bail.

Heppner Police Dept. received a request to deliver a message of

a family emergency to a subject en route to Heppner from Idaho.

Boardman Police Dept. received a request for information concerning a vehicle that had been impounded.

MCSO received a report of criminal mischief damage in Irrigon.

Morrow County Behavioral Health received a report of a juvenile out of control in Heppner.

MCSO, Search and Rescue received a report at 7:59 of a mushroom picking partner who had not been seen since 10:30. The subject had no coat, no food, only a 40 oz. beer and was complaining of leg pain before he left. The subject was located.

MCSO received a report of dogs not being taken care of in Irrigon.

MCSO received a report of an Irrigon residence broken into and items stolen.

May 18: City of Heppner received a report of a broken water main in Heppner.

MCSO received a report of two motors and two batteries stolen from a boat stored in Irrigon.

MCSO received a report of approximately 100 cows out on Miller Road.

MCSO received a report of an intrusion alarm at an Irrigon residence. It was a false alarm.

MCSO received a request for an extra patrol at A.C. Houghton. Two males were hanging around the school when the kids were let out.

Oregon State Police arrested Jason Alan Bathurst, 23, Hermiston, on a Morrow County Circuit Court warrant for DUII, Driving while License Suspended-Misdemeanor, Attempting to Elude. He was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail with \$10,000 bail.

MCSO received a report from an Irrigon man that his 15 year old son assaulted him and then left on foot with a friend.

Pierce County Sheriff's Office arrested Timothy H. Sherwood, 43, on several circuit court warrants for Parole Violation and a Heppner Justice Court warrant that needed to be served. He was lodged at Pierce County Jail with a hold for Morrow County.

MCSO received a request for a deputy concerning more criminal mischief at the gravel pits in Irrigon.

MCSO received a report from an Irrigon subject that he had a verbal confrontation with another subject who said he was going to kill him and put him six feet under.

MCSO received a report from an Irrigon woman that her son was being verbally abusive to her and she wanted him to leave and he was refusing.

MCSO received a request for a deputy from a subject concerning killing wild animals that are threatening livestock.

MCSO received a request for a deputy from a man who said kids hanging around his house were rude and disrespectful when he asked them to leave.

MCSO received a report of a possible suspicious person in Lexington.

MCSO received a request for information concerning a custody dispute. A woman said her ex-husband wouldn't give back the kids and she has custody.

MCSO received a report from a subject who said his friend had been the victim of a hit and run a couple days ago. He said he spoke to the Boardman Police who said there was nothing that could be done and didn't take a police report. The call was handled properly.

MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a restraining order violation. Ruben Gutierrez was arrested for a ROR and was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail with \$5,000 bail.

MCSO received a report of a white Toyota pickup at the Sandpiper Apts. that was spinning cookies.

MCSO received a report of a woman violating her own restraining order in Irrigon.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a male subject who had been drinking who was verbally abusive to Beecher's employees because they wouldn't serve him. His wife was contacted to pick him up.

May 19: MCSO deputy cited Robert Maxwell Minton, 18, for MIP-Consumption.

MCSO received a request for a deputy concerning vandalism at Keller Construction in Irrigon.

MCSO received a report of dogs running loose in Irrigon.

MCSO received a report of a mower stolen.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of an adult's 10-speed bike found hidden in the caller's bushes in Boardman.

MCSO received a report of an abandoned vehicle with a primer hood at a vacant lot owned by the city. A deputy advised there was nothing they could do because it was private property.

MCSO received a report of 6-8 kids at the Irrigon Marina throwing each other around and being out of control.

MCSO received a report of a cow out in Boardman.

MCSO received a report of a possible domestic dispute in progress at the Sandpiper Apts.

MCSO received a report of a male swearing and refusing to leave the Boardman Texaco.

MCSO received a report of a deer hit by a car.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a fight in progress with two males against one female. The female was transported to Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston, then to the Umatilla County Jail.

Rebecca Jean Johnson, 37, was lodged at the jail for Assault IV, Resisting Arrest, Possession of Less than One Oz. Marijuana, with \$16,000 bail.

MCSO, Oregon State Police received a report of a physical and verbal dispute between a stepfather and stepson in Boardman.

May 20: MCSO received a report from a Boardman woman that her 14 year old son left at 9 p.m. without permission and could not be located. He was found.

MCSO received a request for an extra patrol in Boardman for a suspicious vehicle.

MCSO, Oregon State Police received a report of a suspicious vehicle in Boardman. The owner was located and said he was looking for his cousin and uncle after having a fight with his father.

MCSO received a report of a subject possibly sleeping in a vehicle parked at Mt. Glen Apts.

MCSO received a request for a deputy concerning a vehicle driving with no lights on. The caller had a restraining order on the subject.

MCSO, Boardman Police Dept., Boardman ambulance received a report of a man with chest pains at an I-84 rest stop. The patient was transported to Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston.

Boardman Police Dept. received a request for assistance from a parent who said their 14 year old was at the park and would not come home. The juvenile was returned home but was not expected to stay there.

Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a bag believed to contain drugs found at the Boardman Texaco.

MCSO received a report of a multiple motor vehicle accident on I-84 with a possible fatality. Patients were transported to Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston.

MCSO received a report from a male subject that another subject in a vehicle was following him and made hand gestures threatening to kill him.

MCSO received a report of a burn barrel at a Heppner residence burning out of control. The fire was put out.

MCSO received a report of an incomplete 911 call from a Heppner Main Street location.

MCSO received a report from an Irrigon woman that her son was being harassed by another subject who jumped out in front of his car.

MCSO received a request for a deputy concerning a landlord/tenant dispute.

Kathleen Greenup wins scholarship

Kathleen Greenup, a Heppner High School graduate now attending Mount Hood Community College in Gresham, was one of three winners of student scholarships awarded by OreALS Scholarship Fund, Inc. at the recent annual meeting of NALS of Oregon. Student scholarships are awarded to those pursuing a career as legal support staff.

NALS of Oregon is a chartered state association of NALS, the

association for legal professionals which is dedicated to enhancing the competencies and contributions of members employed in law-related positions and which offers a course of study and certification examinations for those working under the direction of an attorney or judge, said a news release. The tri-level association also sponsors seminars on various topics and promotes professionalism through its various membership activities, the release said.

Local student earns national award

The United States Achievement Academy has announced that Sibbea Jones of Heppner has been named a United States National Award winner in English. Jones, who attends Heppner High School, was nominated for the award by Linda Dutcher, an English teacher at the school. Jones will appear in the United States Achievement Academy official yearbook, which is published nationally.

"This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students," said an Academy spokesperson.

Winners are selected upon the recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors and upon the standards of selection set forth by the academy. Besides a recommendation, criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude, cooperative spirit and dependability.

Jones is the daughter of Liz Jones of Heppner. Her grandparents are Dick and Sharon Jones of Tigard.



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