

Sheriff's Report

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

-MCSO received a request for information on several vehicles parked in the Morrow County School District office parking lot in Lexington.

-Irrigon Fire Dept., Irrigon ambulance received a report of a residential fire alarm at a residence along the county line. The fire dept. and ambulance were later advised to stand down.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Irrigon that her son had returned home.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Irrigon that juvenile males were abusing a dog.

-Ione Fire Dept. received a report of a stubble fire near Ione.

-MCSO received a report of a suspicious vehicle near the anhydrous tanks and garbage pile near Lexington.

-MCSO received a report of a burglar alarm at the Heppner High School. It was a false alarm.

Aug. 30: MCSO received a report from a caller in Irrigon that someone was trying to break into her residence.

-MCSO deputy reported that a vehicle in Irrigon was found with its door opened and the dome light on. The owner advised that there was nothing missing.

-Oregon State Police received a report that a semi truck ran a Toyota Camry off the road on I-84 eastbound.

-MCSO received a report of an intrusion alarm at Bigfoot Industries. The caller called back and cancelled the alarm.

-Oregon State Police received a report that a Honda with no plates was speeding down I-84 westbound.

-MCSO deputy arrested William Paul Coomer, 39, on an extraditable warrant out of La Paz County, Ariz. for Agg. DUI x2 and additional warrants on file. There were no local charges. He was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail.

-Boardman Police Dept. received a report that the caller's grandmother in Boardman had fallen and needed help getting up.

-MCSO received a report that a subject in Irrigon was driving without an operator's license and was last seen driving westbound on Washington.

-Oregon State Police received a report of retreat on I-84 eastbound that was causing a hazard and blocking traffic.

-MCSO, Oregon State Police received a report from a woman in Irrigon that her husband had just hit her. She reported he was on foot on Washington and may be hiding in the bushes to avoid arrest. A deputy advised OSP to disregard the report.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Irrigon that someone

ransacked his house while he was gone. He thought his ex-wife may be involved.

-MCSO received a report of a dead deer on Highway 207. No deer was found between Heppner and Lexington.

-Oregon State Police received a report of a vehicle possibly pulling a U-haul trailer was sparking underneath. The vehicle was on I-84 westbound approximately five miles west of Boardman.

-MCSO deputy reported a male subject with an unknown medical condition slumped over the steering wheel of a vehicle. The ambulance was paged then cancelled. Esten Chenault was arrested for DUII and the vehicle impounded.

-Boardman Fire Dept., Umatilla Army Depot, Union Pacific Railroad received a report that a train traveling along had started several fires along the tracks. Fires were located from Patterson Ferry Road east to I-84 milepost 177. Boardman fought fire in their district while UAD fought fire in theirs. Union Pacific was notified and halted all rail traffic in the area until the tracks were cleared of fire fighting equipment and personnel.

-MCSO deputies arrested Kenneth Harry Smith, 47, for Assault IV Domestic. He was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail.

Aug. 31: MCSO conducted a background check at the request of the U.S. Investigation Services, Inc. of Renton, Wash.

-MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report from the 76 Station in Boardman that several people were causing problems at the station. It was requested that they leave, but they refused. They were driving a white car with Washington plates.

-MCSO, Oregon State Police received a report of a hay spill on I-84 westbound that was blocking the road.

-Boardman Police Dept. officer arrested Maria Elena Andrade on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Driving while License Suspended, Driving Uninsured. She was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail.

-MCSO received a report of a audible alarm at Sentry Market in Irrigon. The alarm was actually at Bake's Restaurant. It was a false alarm.

-MCSO received a request for an ambulance in Irrigon for a 74-year old female with a possible fractured leg. One patient was transported to Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston.

-MCSO received a report from UCSCO that Dean Curtis Polston, 32, was arrested on a circuit court warrant for Manufacture/Distribution of a Controlled Substance x2, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Eluding, and on local charges of Escape III. He was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail.

-Heppner Fire Chief reported a report of a hot spot with open flames by Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. The area had already burned before. The fire chief checked it out.

-MCSO, Boardman Fire Dept. received a report of a large amount of black smoke by the Boardman Marina. The fire was on the Washington side of the river.

-Oregon State Police received a report of a large piece of tire on I-84 eastbound.

-Oregon State Police received a report from a driver that another vehicle was harassing them. The caller had passed the vehicle and the pickup started to tailgate them, try to pass and flip them off.

-MCSO received a request for an officer contact regarding the neighbor's sheep damaging the caller's yard.

-MCSO deputy assisted a disabled vehicle on Highway 730.

-Heppner ambulance, Ione EMTs received a request for an ambulance for a 73-year-old male in Ione with unknown medical problems. The patient was transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

-Oregon State Police received a report of a disabled U-Haul on I-84 westbound. It was not blocking traffic.

-Oregon State Police received a report of a piece of wood or steel on the center land divider on I-84

eastbound.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Irrigon that an intoxicated male subject just parked a vehicle in his yard and staggered off to the neighbor's. A citation was issued to Eliodoro Flores-Macias, 40, of Irrigon, for DUII (BAC .34) and Driving while License Suspended-Misdemeanor. His vehicle was impounded and released.

-MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report of loud music from the corner of Blalock and Kinkade streets. The subjects said they would turn the music down.

-MCSO received a report from the Gresham Police Dept. that Patty Hampton, 37, was arrested on a Heppner Justice Court warrant for Contempt of Court/Failure to Pay Fine-DUII. She was lodged at the Multnomah County Jail.

-MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report from C&D Bakery regarding counterfeit money. A juvenile subject was cited for Possession of a Forged Instrument I, Possession of a Forged Instrument II (x2) and Giving False Information to a Police Officer.

Sept. 1: MCSO received a report of a panic alarm at a residence in Irrigon. The owner of the residence was contacted and the owner advised someone was on her back porch. A deputy was unable to locate anyone.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Ione that the neighbor's dogs got into his chicken coop and killed all his chickens.

-Heppner Police Dept. received a report of vandalism at the caller's residence in Heppner.

-Oregon State Police received a report of a red semi truck on I-84 westbound chasing the caller's vehicle at high rates of speed.

-Oregon State Police received a report of several bystanders standing too close to the railroad tracks while watching windsurfers.

-Oregon State Police received a report from a couple in Irrigon that they had a dispute and he wanted his belongings while she wanted restraining order information.

-MCSO received a report from the Irrigon Mobile Court of a juvenile male swinging a cat by its tail.

-MCSO received a report from the Hermiston Police Dept. that a juvenile was located. The juvenile's mother in Irrigon was notified.

-Oregon State Police, Boardman Police Dept. received a report that the caller's husband hit a sign on an I-84 westbound exit. No damage or injury were reported.

-Boardman Police Department cited Francisco Cruz-Hernandez, 54, of Boardman, for No Operator's License and Driving Uninsured. The vehicle was impounded.

-MCSO received a request for deputy contact in Irrigon regarding a male subject breaking into the caller's residence and stealing alcohol.

-MCSO received a report from a woman camping 25 miles from Heppner above Cutsforth Park whose six-month old baby had fallen from the bed in the camper. The baby was breathing fine and appeared to be okay, but the caller wanted her checked. Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner was advised they would be arriving in a private vehicle.

-MCSO deputy cited Jose Zamudio, 67, of Irrigon, for Driving while License Suspended-Infraction and Driving Uninsured. The vehicle was impounded.

-Boardman Police Dept. received a report from the Wilson Road Trailer Court that the manager approved a birthday party with a curfew at one of the trailers but now they are getting loud and drinking a lot. The manager wanted the police to know what was going on in case there was a problem.

-Boardman Police Dept. received a report from a caller in Boardman that she advised a male subject to move out of her home by Aug. 31.

The caller was leaving for work but wanted officers to be aware of the situation.

-Boardman Police Dept. officer cited a subject in Boardman for DWI. The vehicle was impounded.

-MCSO deputy cited Francisco Javier Lemus Martinez, 20, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 74 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-MCSO deputy cited a subject on Highway 730 for DUII. The vehicle was impounded.

Sept. 2: MCSO received a report from Boardman from a 29-year-old female who was having trouble breathing, had a rapid pulse and a strange sensation in her face. She became incoherent while on the phone. The female subject refused transport to a hospital.

-MCSO received a report from Irrigon of neighbor dogs that keep barking and won't stop.

-MCSO deputy cited Jose De Jesus Olguin Martinez, 36, for Driving while License Suspended-I. The vehicle was impounded.

-MCSO received a report from the Irrigon Marina that three female subjects were at the marina by the yachts and they weren't supposed to be there. The caller called back and said they left in a newer black vehicle.

-MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report from a caller in Boardman that a male wearing black pants but no shirt or shoes was breaking into vehicles. The caller scared him off and he left going southbound on Second Street.

-MCSO deputy cited Juan Luis Villegas Salazar, 25, for DUII and Open Container. His vehicle was impounded.

-MCSO deputy cited Juan Luis Ayala Garduno, 19, for MIP-Alcohol.

-MCSO deputy cited Juan Ramos Velazquez, 22, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 74 mph in a 55 mph zone and Driving Uninsured.

-Boardman Police Dept. received a report that an unwanted male subject was on the back porch of the caller's residence in Boardman. An officer was unable to locate the male subject.

-MCSO received a report from the Irrigon Refuge that someone cut the lock off the check-out box and left mail in it.

-MCSO received a report of an infra-red motion detector set off at the Irrigon Learning Center.

-MCSO received a report from the Klickitat County Sheriff's Office that they received a cell phone call reporting a female subject riding a horse was involved in an accident and had possible hip and back injury at the Morrow County Fairgrounds. There was confusion whether the injured person was at the fairgrounds or at Moro in Sherman County (a rodeo was in progress there). Ambulances in both counties were contacted. The patient was transported to Mid-Columbia Medical Center in The Dalles.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Boardman that someone broke into his car and stole his radar detector.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Boardman that someone got into her vehicle and spread some kind of white powder around.

-MCSO received a report of a white Mustang speeding 70-75 mph in Irrigon.

-MCSO deputy advised being contacted by people that the restrooms were out of service at the city park and they were holding a family reunion.

-MCSO received a report that an Indian fishing boat with nets and a dog was 100 yards out in the water, but no one was on the boat.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Boardman that an inboard boat named "Donna's Heart or Head Ache" cut the caller off, threw a beer bottle at them and took off, possibly brandishing a weapon. The boat was located.

-MCSO received a report from

the Klickitat County Sheriff's Office of a domestic situation in progress in Irrigon. Delores Hussey, 52, of Irrigon, was cited for Harassment.

-UCSO, Oregon State Police, Hermiston Police Dept. received a report from the Klickitat County Sheriff's Office of a motor vehicle accident on Highway 730. The call was handed to OSP then UCSO who paged the Hermiston ambulance. It was reported that six juveniles had minor injuries and one elderly male was possibly having a heart attack.

-Boardman Police Dept. received a report from Kegler's Sentry in Boardman that two juveniles were detained for shoplifting. One 12-year old juvenile was cited for MIP-Alcohol.

-Heppner Police Dept., Heppner ambulance, Lexington QRT received a request for an ambulance for a 70-year old male having a heart attack or stroke. One patient was transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

-Boardman Police Dept. received a request for officer contact from a caller in Boardman regarding a male subject; the caller had some of his belongings.

-Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a Chevy extended cab pickup on Highway 730 that passed the caller on the right and was unable to maintain a lane of travel. The vehicle was located at the Outback Apts but no one was around.

-Boardman Police Dept. received a report of an audible burglar alarm at the Port of Morrow building in Boardman. The door was found to be secured.

-Heppner Police Dept. received a report from a caller in Heppner that a male subject abandoned a vehicle at the residence saying it was the caller's sister's.

-MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report from a caller in Boardman that hunters near the area had hit the caller's residence with shot.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Irrigon of a driving complaint.

-MCSO deputies arrested Conrad Cavazos II, 20, on Probable Cause charges of Assault IV, Harassment and Menacing. He was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail.

-Boardman Police Dept. received a report of loud music.

-MCSO received a request for a deputy contact in Irrigon regarding the caller's ex-husband who stated he was not going to return the children to the caller today and he was supposed to.

-MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report from a caller in Boardman that gang members were at the caller's residence harassing his younger brother. They then left. Erik Ramirez, 20, was arrested for DUII (BAC of .27). The vehicle was impounded. Later the caller called back and said 10 gang members were outside his residence breaking car windows. Officers were unable to locate them.

-MCSO, Boardman Police Dept. received a report from the 76 Station in Boardman that four males tried to buy alcohol then threatened the clerk when she refused for a lack of ID. They left in a vehicle, supposedly en route to the Texaco station to buy alcohol.

-MCSO received a report from Irrigon of neighbor dogs barking again. Regina Lyn Rodriguez, 33, was cited for Maintaining a Dog as a Public Nuisance.

Sept. 3: Heppner Police Dept. received a report of a suspicious subject behind the Heppner bowling alley by the creek making noises.

-Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a vehicle just stolen from the parking lot of the 76 station in Boardman. The vehicle was found at the junction of Highway 730/171 behind a haystack. No one was around.

-Oregon State Police received a report of a female wearing shorts trying to flag someone down on I-84.

-Boardman Police Dept. received a report of a residence vandalized at the Wilson Road Trailer Court in Boardman.

-MCSO deputy arrested Phillip Justin Mortensen, 22, on an UCSCO warrant for Failure to Appear/ Attempting to Elude. There were no local charges. He was lodged at the Umatilla County Jail.

-Irrigon Fire Dept. received a report relayed from the UCSCO of a possible electrical fire at a residence in Irrigon. There was smoke reported.

-MCSO, Oregon State Police received a report of a one-vehicle accident on I-84 eastbound. There were no injuries reported and the vehicle was off the road.

Columbia Basin dinner Nov. 1

The annual dinner meeting of the Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative, Inc., is planned for Thursday, Nov. 1, at the Morrow County Fairgrounds in Heppner. Registration starts at 5 p.m. with dinner served at 6 p.m.

The annual meeting and election of directors for zones 2, 5, 6 and 8 will follow the dinner.

"Entertainment and fun for the whole family is in store for the evening," said a CBEC news release. Multiple door prizes will be awarded and results of the annual fourth grade electrical safety poster contest will be announced with winning posters on display.

Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk's office at the courthouse in Heppner reports issuing the following marriage license:

Oct. 16-William Sherman Hill V, 51, Irrigon; and Karen Lee White, 50, Irrigon.

Willows Grange #672
Fund Raiser To Replace Heating System
Saturday, October 27th
SPAGHETTI FEED at 5:30 p.m.
and
BLUE MTN. OLDTIME FIDDLERS at 7 p.m.
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Karen's Korner - By Karen Masshoff

Items of Health - Tobacco Prevention

What a glorious fall we have been having. I hope you have been able to get out into the environs to take in the fresh air; perhaps hunting. How incredibly fortunate that we can live away from most of the noxious fumes of the metro areas.

For some who smoke, the health message is getting through; but I have a huge cautionary note. There is no "safe" cigarette or "natural" tobacco. In the last several months I've begun to hear from folks and see promotions surrounding this issue. Other descriptives include "organic" and "reduced risk." My gut response is "don't be fooled." I realize, however, I need to search out the facts. Perhaps some of you watched NOVA's "Search For A Safe Cigarette" on PBS, Oct. 2. They've included a website: www.pbs.org/nova/cigarette which I have begun to explore - some great information. I will be sharing my research into all this in future columns.

If tobacco use is part of your life - as user or an associate of one who is - then the wonders of the above will be somewhat tempered. Thoughts about eliminating the tobacco smoke that clouds the ideal picture could serve as an incentive to quit or to encourage someone else to do so. Now is the window of opportunity to initiate for success. The time around the holidays is not conducive for such an undertaking when we indulge in eating more sweets or in drinking exotic beverages. These activities are just too closely linked with tobacco use. Whenever you choose to quit, please know my good wishes are with you. The Oregon Tobacco Quit Line is: 877-270-7867; also, I will be most happy to provide you with cessation material.

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