

## Sheriff's Report

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

**March 19:** MCSO cited Matthew James Gundlach, 19, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 82 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-MCSO received a report of unauthorized people entering a residence while the owner is out of town. A deputy spoke with the owner of the property and the residence is secure. The daughter has permission to be at the residence. The owner would call to the Sheriff's Office when she returns home to talk with a deputy. Tina Z. Rodriguez, 18, was cited for No Operator's License.

-MCSO cited Jil Jintana Hicks, 29, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 76 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-MCSO arrested Theresa Rae Horner, 45, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Driving while Suspended-misdemeanor.

-MCSO cited Joshua Dean Hopwood, 25, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 74 mph in a 55 mph zone and Driving while Suspended-violation.

-Boardman PD cited Myrla Elaine Cox, 67, for Violation of the Speed Limit, 33 mph in a 20 mph zone.

**March 21:** MCSO cited Christopher C. Beardemphl, 56, for Violation of the Basic Rule, Truck speed, 70 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-MCSO arrested Dana Jo Willis, 42, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Theft III. Willis was lodged at Umatilla

County Jail.

-MCSO arrested James Willies Nunnery, 43, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Harassment.

-MCSO received a report of a car accident, rollover. There were no obvious injuries and no entrapment. Jessica Nova Sharrah, 19, was cited for Careless Driving.

-Boardman PD arrested Kiley Gwyn Post, 26, for Failure to Pay Fines/Driving while Suspended. She was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

**March 22:** MCSO received a report from Umatilla County Sheriff's Office that Lora Ann Stewart, 28, was arrested on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Driving while Suspended. She was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

-MCSO cited Jerry Ruben Self, 39, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 73 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-MCSO arrested Cash Craig Allison, 41, on a Morrow County Circuit Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Assault IV, Harassment Physical and Disorderly Conduct II. He was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

-MCSO arrested Juan Carlos Guzman Madrigal, 19, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Criminal Trespass I. He was lodged at Umatilla County Jail with additional charges of Driving while Suspended-misdemeanor.

-MCSO arrested Angela Ruth Marlowe, 30, on an UCSO warrant for Possession of a Controlled Substance II and DUII. She was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

-Boardman PD cited Samuel Arroyo Lopez, 28, for No Operator's License and Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device in a Work Zone.

**March 23:** Boardman PD arrested Traci Alaine Williams, 40, for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia x2 and Possession of a Controlled Substance Schedule II x2. She was also cited for Possession of Less than One Ounce of Marijuana. She was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

-Boardman PD cited Pamela Anne Hewett, 28, for Violation of the Speed Limit, 36 mph in a 20 mph zone.

-MCSO arrested Theresa Lynn Jensen, 44, on a MCSO warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Possession of Less than One Ounce of Marijuana. She was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

-MCSO cited Joshua Daniel Coker, 18, for Failure to Register Vehicle and Driving Uninsured.

-MCSO cited Keith Wayne Fields, 73, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 73 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-MCSO cited John Wade Thomas, 25, for Failure to Renew Registration.

-MCSO cited Lucas Allen Grigsby, 25, for No Operator's License.

**March 25:** MCSO received a report from Stanfield PD that Jose Padilla Alvarado, 29, was arrested on four MCSO warrant for Failure to Appear/Driving while Suspended. He was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

-MCSO received a report that Stanfield PD cited and released Ronald Ivan Scheel, 24, on a warrant.

-MCSO cited Susan Faye Hicks, 47, for Violation of the Speed Limit, 91 mph in a 65 mph zone.

-MCSO cited Gabriela Contreras, 29, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 82 mph in a 55 mph zone.

**March 26:** MCSO received a report from a caller in Irrigon that the neighbor's dogs bark constantly. Thomas Earl Zypf, 36, was cited for Maintaining a Dog as a Public Nuisance.

-MCSO received a report from OSP that Jason Edward Kinzer, 23, was arrested on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Failure to Appear.

-MCSO received a report from a caller that a vehicle was not maintaining its lane. Alfredo Amezcua Manzo, 43, for Driving while Suspended-violation and Driving Uninsured.

-MCSO cited John Milton Lindquist, 45, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 79 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-Boardman PD cited Daniel Puerta Ramirez, 34, for Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device.

-Boardman PD received a report from a caller that a subject was hitting her. There was no alcohol or weapons involved. Edward Charles McGinnis, 39, was arrested for Assault IV.

**March 27:** MCSO paced a car at 100 mph from MP 164 to MP 166 on I-84. Mustafa Abdullahi Dahir, 29, for Violation of the Speed Limit, 95 mph in a 65 mph zone.

-MCSO served Brian William Barnes, 19, with an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Theft II. He was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

## Bird flu: prepare, but don't overreact, says OSU professor

By Andy Duncan

Oregonians who raise chickens or other domestic fowl around their homes should think about precautionary steps they could take if a virulent strain of avian influenza, or bird flu, is detected in Oregon.

But it's too early for action, an Oregon State University Extension Service poultry science specialist believes.

"Right now I would do nothing," said Jim Hermes, who works with the state's commercial poultry industry and with backyard growers.

"Even if there is an outbreak, don't panic," Hermes said. "Simply figure out how you'd isolate your birds from wild birds that might be a source of the flu virus. You might have to add fencing or put them in a coop until we get a handle on things. This is a process the poultry industry has been using for several years, called 'biosecurity.'

"One question I'm getting a great deal is 'where can I get a vaccine for my chickens?' There aren't any in use in the United States at this time, except for experimental ones. They're vaccinating commercial flocks in Asia with some success, but the virus mutates and it's hard for vaccines to keep up."

Hermes noted that bird flu is not new to the United States.

"We've not had the avian influenza in Oregon in recent years, but we have had outbreaks of the low-path [less virulent] form in California in recent decades," he said. "They had a high-path [highly virulent] outbreak on the East Coast in the 1980s, and they found a high-path strain in British Columbia a few years ago and had to destroy millions of chickens."

The professor in OSU's College of Agricultural Sciences said he is more concerned about the threat to backyard poultry than to Oregon's relatively small commercial poultry industry.

"Commercial operators know how to protect their birds by practicing strict biosecurity programs," he said, explaining that most commercial chickens are kept in enclosed facilities where there is little chance of contact with wild birds or other possible sources of infection.

Oregon has three major egg-producing farms with a total of about 3 million laying hens, said Hermes, and there are "40 to 45" broiler farms in the Willamette Valley in an area that runs roughly from Lane County to Clackamas County.

Concerns about avian influenza go beyond

the danger it poses for domestic and wild animals. In Asia, Eastern Europe and Africa a virulent form has spread to humans, raising fears of an epidemic.

According to PandemicFlu.gov, a website operated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, there is confusion about the viruses that cause various types of flu. The website offers the following explanation:

"Seasonal (or common) flu is a respiratory illness that can be transmitted person to person. Most people have some immunity, and a vaccine is available.

"Avian flu is caused by influenza viruses that occur naturally among wild birds. A variant called H5N1 is deadly to domestic fowl and can be transmitted from birds to humans. There is no human immunity and no vaccine is available.

"Pandemic flu is virulent human flu that causes a global outbreak, or pandemic, of serious illness. Because there is little natural immunity, the disease can spread easily from person to person. Currently, there is no pandemic flu."

OSU's Hermes noted that "bird flu is not something humans can contract from eggs and chickens if you follow standard food safety procedures such as washing your hands, avoiding cross contamination in food preparation, and cooking food so that it reaches a temperature of 165 degrees Fahrenheit."

There are no known cases where H5N1 has been transmitted from wild birds to humans, according to the PandemicFlu.gov website. However, the federal government, in cooperation with state and local officials, plans to step up surveillance of migratory birds to determine if any of them carry the H5N1 virus.

A key focus of the increased surveillance will be the state of Alaska, which sits at the northern end of the Pacific Flyway that runs from Baja to Alaska. The Pacific Flyway is a kind of "biopolitical region" used to manage migratory game birds such as ducks, geese, swans and cranes, according to Bruce Dugger, a waterfowl ecologist in OSU's College of Agricultural Sciences. The flyway includes U.S. states and Canadian provinces west of the Rocky Mountains.

Some migratory birds breed in Asia and move from there to Alaska, Dugger said. In the fall, large numbers and various species of waterfowl will migrate south down the Pacific Flyway from Alaska to Oregon and beyond.



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