

Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office has released the following information:

September 16 (cont.): Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report at Sand Hollow Rd/Blackhorse Canyon Ln, Heppner that a vehicle is broke down, deputy assisting to give the person's boss a call to let them know he broke down.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 W, Boardman that a navy-blue BMW took the 177 exit, all over the roadway.

-MCSO received a report that Daniel Pelayo-Gilbon was arrested by MCSO on MCCC warrant.

-MCSO received a report on Washington Ln, Irrigon that a guy in a blue convertible Jeep going up and down Washington has loud pipes and is speeding, going about 60 mph.

-MCSO received a report at S First St/SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that an older gray Honda Civic had a 2x4 coming out the window over two feet. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at Ruggs Ranch, Hwy 207 Spray, Heppner of a vehicle blocking Ruggs Ranch entrance gate. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon of a brown and white Boxer with a blue collar. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report that Ruben Acedo Alvarez was arrested by MCSO on IJC warrant.

September 17: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report at E Second St/H St, Ione of a loose dog. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at N E St/W Main St, Lexington that there is a red pickup with a Trump flag driving through Lexington. RP advised the individual driving is a juvenile and not old enough to be driving.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a black Mitsubishi came off Eighth. Picked up speed and ran the stop sign at Seventh.

-MCSO received a report on E Main St, Lexington that RP would like contact in regard to an unsafe building in Lexington.

-MCSO received a report on Washington Ln, Irrigon that RP believes her residence was broken into today. Items are moved around and some items are missing.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 E, Boardman that a black Dodge Charger is failing to maintain lane. Referred to other agency.

-MCSO received a report on Doolittle Canyon Lane, Heppner that subject is breaking NCO and pulling backhoe into the road and blocking RP's driveway.

-MCSO received a report on Doolittle Canyon Ln, Heppner that dogs are barking at neighbor's and a harassment issue.

-MCSO received a report on Wilson Ln, Boardman that a black cow is outside the fencing. Cow owner took care of the issue.

-MCSO received a report at Hwy 207 of a dog out. Sgt. put dog back.

-MCSO received a report at Wilson Rd Trailer Park on Wilson Rd SW, Boardman that neighbors are fighting both indoors and outdoors. Unable to locate.

September 18: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that white Freightliner keeps turning down Eighth and onto Utah, keep parking overnight.

-MCSO received a report on Doolittle Canyon Ln, Heppner that RP was advised by his attorney to remove the speed bumps his neighbor caused. RP is concerned his neighbor will be getting hostile.

-MCSO received a report at Blakes Ranch on Elk Trail Ln/Blake Ranch Rd, Heppner that there are a lot of cows out about a mile north of Blake Ranch on the way up to Cutsforth Park.

-MCSO received a report at Pettyjohn's on Linden Way, Heppner that there is a black lab with a shorter chain running around the area. RP advised it isn't aggressive, just running in and out of traffic.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 E, Boardman that a female is being followed on the freeway. RP is in a red Jeep Renegade. Other vehicle is grey sedan, unknown make or model, no plates. Zaavan Evan Dean Cafaro was issued warning for failure to display plates.

-MCSO received a report on Hwy 730, Irrigon that RP is westbound on 730 and is following a newer white Ford with Utah plates that is swerving all over the road. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on Doolittle Canyon Ln, Heppner that the neighbor's dogs are barking. Deputy made contact with RP.

-MCSO received a report on NW West St, Heppner that a red car just pulled into neighbor's driveway. The house is vacant, and no one should be there.

-MCSO received a report on SE Cowins St, Heppner that there is a deer that is limping and looks to be hurt.

-MCSO received a report on Washington Ln, Irrigon that almost constantly a white sedan has gone around the block honking their horn.

-MCSO received a report of a burglary on Hwy 730, Irrigon a door is broken, and he has not walked in. Does not know if there is anyone inside.

-MCSO received a report at Love's Travel Stop on Tower Rd, Boardman that there was a lady offering his 10 yo daughter to go see kittens in her van. Was complimenting daughter in the bathroom about her looks. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on N D St, Lexington that female advised her boyfriend just tried to choke her out and is trying to take her kids. Patient refusal.

September 19: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a larger white German shepherd is loose going towards Utah. Advised no collar and no leash. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on Doolittle Canyon Ln, Heppner that her neighbor's dogs are barking.

-MCSO received a report that RP has neighbor's dog in his pickup and en rt to the office. RP advised they were trespassing on his property and chasing

What have you to offer to the Lord?

By Fr. Thankachan Joseph SDB, St. Patrick Church

On the second Sunday after Christmas, the solemnity of the Epiphany celebrates the manifestation of our Lord to the whole world as He is revealed to the Magi, who represent the Gentiles. (Every culture, tradition, region has its own understanding of the Epiphany. Some believe that the three wise persons came from three different continents to worship the newborn King Jesus.) The feast of Epiphany is known as "The Adoration of the Magi" or "The Manifestation of God." The three kings were Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. According to an old legend based on a Bible story, these three kings saw, on the night when Christ was born, a bright star, followed it to Bethlehem, and found there the child Jesus and presented Him with gold, frankincense and myrrh. The feast of Epiphany reminds us that the wise men came searching for Christ, found Him, worshipped Him and offered Him gifts. What have you to offer to Jesus today? Are you willing to give yourself and your heart to the Lord?

The Prophet Isaiah (60:1-6) mentions non-Jews bringing gifts in reverence to the God of Israel. Here the Prophet Isaiah, consoling the people in exile, speaks of the restoration of New Jerusalem from which the glory of Yahweh becomes visible even to the pagan nations. Thus, the prophet in this passage celebrates the Divine Light emanating from Jerusalem and foresees all the nations acknowledging and enjoying that light and walking by it. As a sign of gratitude for the priceless lessons of faith offered by Jerusalem, the nations will bring wealth by land and sea, especially gold for the temple and frankincense for the sacrifice. Similarly, Psalm 72 declares that all the kings of the earth will pay homage to and serve the God of Israel and their Messiah.

St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians (3:2-3, 5-6) affirms the mystery of God's plan of salvation in Christ and instructs that the plan of God encompasses both Jews and Gentiles. Jesus implemented this Divine plan by extending membership in His Church, making it available to all peoples. Thus, the Jews and the Gentiles have become "coheirs, members of the same Body and co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel." Hence, there are no second-class members in the Church among Christian believers. Paul claims that he has been commissioned by Christ to make this mystery known to the world.

The Gospel of St. Matthew (2:1-12) teaches us how Christ enhances those who carry Him in their hearts. Since the Magi came with joy in their hearts to visit the Baby Jesus, God allowed them to see wondrous things. At the same time, today's Gospel hints at different reactions to the news of Jesus's birth, foreshadowing His passion and death, as well as the risen Jesus's mandate to make disciples of all nations (Mt 28:19). The Gospel also tells us the story of the encounter of the Magi with the evil King Herod. This encounter demonstrates three reactions to Jesus's birth: 1) Hatred (A destructive group of people headed by Herod planned to destroy Jesus.) 2) Indifference (One group composed of pharisees, priests and scribes ignored Jesus.) 3) Adoration (The members

his livestock. Harley Bruce Young was issued citation for dog as a public nuisance.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that there was a vehicle parked out by his residence that seems suspicious.

-MCSO received a report at Hwy 74/Dee Cox Rd, Heppner that there is a brown horse with black mane out near the golf course. Worried someone will hit the horse. Deputy made contact with owner.

-MCSO received a report at Love's Travel Stop on Tower Rd, Boardman that a 33 yo male has been having tightening in his chest and tingling in his face. Patient refusal.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 W, Boardman that a white semi is driving 15 mph in the slow lane.

-MCSO received a report on Washington Ln, Irrigon of a missing person. 48 yo male, mentally incompetent. Last seen around 1030.

-MCSO received a report on E Hwy 730, Irrigon that a female in a blue car is intoxicated.

-MCSO received a report at Strawberry Ln/Bombing Range Re, Lexington that there is a vehicle parked at the Blattner site. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report on Willow Creek Rd, Heppner of a deceased deer in the northbound lane. MCSO moved the deer off the roadway.

-MCSO received a report on I 84 W, Boardman that a white Toyota is going 100+ mph.

September 20: Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that neighbors are playing loud music and she can hear it inside her residence. Requesting deputy to tell them to turn it down.

-MCSO received a report at Kunze Ln/Tower Rd, Boardman that a cow is loose on the shoulder of the road. Unable to locate.

-MCSO received a report at Willow Creek Country Club on Hwy74, Heppner that a horse is loose on the highway. Owner was contacted and will be taking care of the issue.

-MCSO received a report at Willow Creek Reservoir on Willow Creek Rd, Heppner that there are two dogs loose. One has porcupine needles in its nose. Both don't have collars. Dogs transported to pet rescue.

-MCSO received a report on SE Utah Ave, Irrigon that a white Dodge Journey came off of Eighth and sped down Utah and ran the stop sign on Seventh.

-MCSO received a report on Doolittle Canyon Ln, Heppner that the neighbor's dogs have been barking most of the day.

-MCSO received a report on Paul Smith Rd, Boardman that there are two dogs on his property chasing his livestock. Unable to locate.

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of a third group – shepherds and the magi – adored Jesus and offered themselves to Him.)

The destructive group: King Herod considered Jesus a potential threat to his kingship. Herod the Great was a cruel and selfish king who murdered his mother-in-law, wife, two brothers-in-law and three children on suspicion that they had plotted against him. In today's Gospel, Herod asks the chief priests and scribes where the Messiah is to be born.

The group that ignored Christ: The scribes, the pharisees and the Jewish priests knew that there were nearly 500 prophecies in the Hebrew Scriptures concerning the promised Messiah. Unfortunately, they were more interested in their own selfish gains than in discovering the truth. Hence, they refused to go and see the child Jesus, even though Bethlehem was quite close to Jerusalem.

The group that adored Jesus and offered Him gifts: The shepherds offered the only gifts they had, love, tears of joy, and probably woolen clothes and milk from their sheep. The Magi, probably Persian astrologers, were following the star that Balaam had predicted would rise along with the ruler's staff over the house of Jacob (Numbers 24:17). The Magi offered gold, in recognition of Jesus as the King of the Jews; frankincense, in acknowledgment that He was God; and myrrh, as a symbol of His human nature.

The feast of the Epiphany teaches us, like the Magi, to offer to the newborn Baby Jesus our three gifts: 1) The first gift might be friendship with God. After all, the whole point of Christmas is that God's Son became one of us to redeem us and call us friends. God wants our friendship in the form of wholehearted love and devotion. 2) The second gift might be the gift of reconciliation. This gift repairs damaged relationships. It requires honesty, humility, understanding, forgiveness and patience. 3) The third gift of this season is the gift of peace, seeking God's peace in our own lives through prayer, the Sacramental life and daily meditation on the Word of God. It is out of humble gratitude that we give Him from the heart our gifts of worship, prayer, singing, possessions and time. As we give our insignificant, little gifts to God, the good news is that God accepts them. Like the Magi offering their gifts, we offer what we have, from the heart, in response to what that Child has given to us - Himself. Let us conclude with a 19th century English carol, Christina Rossetti's a Christmas Carol, which begins, "In the bleak midwinter..." The carol sums up, in its last stanza, the nature of "giving to the Christ Child."

"What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I could give a Lamb.
If I were a wise man, I could do my part.
What I can I give Him? Give Him my heart!"



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