

Red-eared slider turtles illegal

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egy as species in need of help. They are both protected by law; it is illegal to take them from the wild and to keep them as pets.

make good pets," said Boatner." Native turtles are protected and belong in the wild, and

many nonnative turtles are illegal and have to be kept out of the wild."

Ike Says . . .

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should take appropriate actions to maximize fawn productivity and survival. In areas where populations are below management objectives, managers should consider reducing doe harvest to maintain productivity levels. Doe harvest should be eliminated in areas exhibiting high rates of decline to maximize productivity. If preda-

tion is determined to be the primary limiting factor, and reductions or elimination of doe harvest have limited effects, short-term predator control may be the only way to restore healthy prey populations at risk (Ernest et al. 2002)."

My opinion is that Ms. Murphie most likely has discovered the missing link as to why Blacktailed deer populations in Washington and Oregon have crashed. Now let's see what our game managers do with this new information

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meets monthly on the 3rd Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
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Columbia County Sheriff

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help protect the identity of the victims.

Deputies and federal agents have been conducting a 10-month-long investigation that began last June, after the Sheriff's Office was alerted to reported sexual misconduct involving the suspect and three children under the ages of 12. Interviews with the children with the help of the Amani Center in St. Helens and additional investigation with the help of federal authorities led to the search warrant and arrest. The investigation remains ongoing and more charges are expected.

"This case is the result of collaboration between our office and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents, who assisted with the computer forensics investigation," said Sheriff Jeff Dickerson. "The length of the investigation is due to the nature of these kinds of investigations, particularly when much of the evidence is contained in digital computer

files. We took efforts to ensure that the victims were removed from the suspect's home back in June, and we didn't begin to get a fuller picture of the extent of the abuse until computer forensic investigation revealed it."

The victims are two members of the suspect's extended family and a neighbor child who had been playing with the children. Much of the evidence was found stored on a computer voluntarily surrendered by the suspect to Sheriff's deputies in June. A search warrant was served on that computer in October, and submitted to ICE child exploitation specialists for review. There is some indication that federal crimes have also been committed in this case.

The suspect was lodged in the Columbia County Jail on 26 counts of Sex Abuse First Degree and three counts of Using a Child in Display of Sexually Explicit Conduct. Bail has been set at \$1,555,000.

Obituary

JANET IRENE COOK

Janet Irene Cook, 67, Scappoose, died March 10, 2011. A memorial service will be held Saturday, April 9, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Aiden's Episcopal Church, 17405 NE Glisan St., Portland.

Mrs. Cook was born September 28, 1943, in Portland, to Philip and Audrey (Reid) Pemberton. She was raised in Portland by her grandparents until moving with her mother and adoptive father, Wesley Cousins, to Eugene when she was seven years old. In 1955, the family moved to Lake Oswego, where she graduated from Lake Oswego High School in 1960. She attended Willamette University and San Francisco State College. Later she earned a Masters

degree in ESL from the University of Hawaii. She was a teacher for 40 years before retiring in 2006.

She enjoyed the outdoors, traveling, singing and playing the piano and the pipe organ.

Survivors include her three half siblings, Barbara Hilton of Jefferson, Scott Cousins of Scappoose, and Elin Hayes of Vernonia; an aunt; nieces and nephews.

Remembrances are suggested to OHSU Vaccine and Gene Therapy Institute, The Nature Conservancy or a charity of choice.

Duyck & VanDeHey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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