



Umatilla County Sheriff's Office Newsletter—August 2016



Sheriff for a Day!

On July 12th, Sheriff Terry Rowan and 11 year old "Sheriff for a Day", Clay Thornton, attended Picture Day and a luncheon at Fort Walla Walla Park. "Sheriff Thornton" also visited the Sheriff's Office, (pictured with Sheriff Rowan and Umatilla County Commissioner Larry Givens)

Dispatchers Receive the Stork Award.

March 2016. Dispatchers Kim Winnett, Tracy LeGore and Tabetha Koehler were awarded the Dispatcher Stork Award Pin for delivering two babies during the course of dispatching duties. With all the negative calls dispatchers handle every day, this can be one of the most rewarding experiences dispatcher can receive in their career. Congratulations! We are proud of you for making a difference!



Congratulations Deputy Meade and Limburg!

On July 15, 2016, Deputy Calvin Meade and Deputy Trevor Limburg graduated from the Oregon DPSST Basic Police Academy in Salem, OR. Deputy Meade and Deputy Limburg were hired in January 2016, and began their 16-week basic training in March. They will continue their education by participating in our agency's field training program for an additional four to six weeks before they are cleared for solo patrols. Well done!!



Jail Promotion Announcement

Sergeant Thoren Hearn was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant effective July 1st. Lieutenant Hearn has been dedicated to the Umatilla County Sheriff's Office for nearly 20 years, and is now second in command at the Umatilla County Jail. Thank you, Lieutenant Hearn! Your promotion is well deserved!



Welcome Deputy Jon Roberts & Deputy Nathan Rankin!

Deputy Roberts and Deputy Rankin are our newest addition to the Patrol Division. Both are certified officers with police experience, helping fulfill our core value to seek and retain professional and competent staff. Welcome, we are excited to have you join our team!

Umatilla County Search and Rescue Increases

In July, Walla Walla Sheriff's Office and Umatilla County SO Search and Rescue teams increased efficiency by officially joining forces. Both SAR teams have historically assisted each other with missions across state borders. Sometimes this can cause legal questions about authority over missions and coverage under state safety plans for out of state volunteers. This was recently resolved when Umatilla County SAR officially sworn in 16 volunteer members of the Walla Walla SAR team, making them special deputies in Oregon also. This inter-agency cooperation is a great way to decrease response times in the northern mountainous areas of Umatilla County and demonstrates our dedication to work collaboratively with public safety partners.



Gun Recovered in Old Case!

Recently a gun stolen in 2002 found it's way back to the original owner. The gun was recovered in another state. It had been entered into the National Crime Information System in 2002 by Umatilla County Dispatch. Entry of stolen records is a regular duty of Dispatch in support of a criminal deputy's investigation. In this case (pun intended), it paid off more than a decade later. Yes!





The **Oregon State Jail Inspection** is scheduled for October Jail. The inspection is conducted every 2 years by a 5 to 6 person from around the State of Oregon. Although policies are dated, Technician Jake Kessler began specific preparation for 2016. Documentation of compliance is gathered from the jail Staff will perform a final review of all polices prior to the inspection. The inspection itself consists of review of policies that are electronically submitted and then a physical inspection of the jail by the team. The is a huge undertaking with over 309 local, state and federal standards to comply with. Umatilla County Jail has consistently performed excellent during these inspections and we know they will shine again!



2016 at the Umatilla County team of Jail Administrators constantly evaluated and up- this inspection the first part of staff and the Administrative

Active Shooter Drill, Downtown Pendleton

End of March 2016
UCSO participated along- side other local emergency responders in simulating an active shooter response. Being prepared through planning and training is critical in handling a possible mass casualty incident.



High Visibility Enforcement Grant

On St. Patrick's day UCSO patrol deputies conducted enhanced patrols to prevent deaths from impaired drivers. Funding was provided through an Oregon State Sheriff's Association grant.



BEWARE a Scam

circulating Umatilla County in which a person calls and identifies themselves as an employee of the court, the Sheriff's Office or even a judge. The caller tells the victim they can avoid jail or warrants by paying money or providing personal information. In another Scam the caller claims to be with the IRS and demands money. Please don't be fooled by these individuals. The court system, law enforcement and IRS will NEVER conduct business this way. Remember to NEVER release personal information unless you can verify their identify.



#youngmanonellen! UCSO showing their support in January for Kathryn Youngman, a Pendleton High School Teacher battling cancer, to appear on the Ellen DeGeneres show. Go Senora Youngman!!

WEIGHT STATION FIRE

On July 30th a wildfire erupted along I-84 approximately 17 miles east of Pendleton.

Dispatch handled forty five 911 calls , 42 business calls, and 29 others incidents in the first hour 1/2 of the incident. They dispatched for 13 agencies, coordinated with 3 Emergency Operation Centers, the Red Cross and Search & Rescue evacuation assistance. In short—they were ROCKIN !!



Search and Rescue helped notify residents in the Meacham area. Thirteen SAR volunteers joined six teams comprised of agencies to notify residents effected by the evacuation. Evacuation levels included Level two (Set to go) and Level Three (Go).

Community Reaches Out to Show Support for Local Law Enforcement.

With the recent events in our great nation of officer involved shootings,



law enforcement can often feel a heavy negative impact. However because of the efforts of local citizens, we have instead

received a tremendous amount of local support from the people we serve. This means more than we can express in words. Thank you.



Commander of the Year

Sheriff Rowan was recognized as the Commander of the Year in December 2015 at the Oregon State Sheriff's Association annual banquet.



Featured Sheriff OSSA Magazine

Sheriff Rowan is the featured sheriff in the Spring Oregon State Sheriff's Association magazine. The article can be found online at: oregonsheriffs.org/news/articles/terry-rowan-umatilla-county/

Coffee with the Sheriff

Recently Sheriff Rowan can be found hanging out in local coffee shops inviting the public to come and visit with him about the Sheriffs Office, their concerns, their expectations or anything else is on their minds. He has been found in Umapine, the East Side Market in Hermiston and Dave's Chevron in Pendleton. Next stop scheduled is the Pheasant in Hermiston. Come have coffee and a good visit!



Student Leadership Day on April 7, 2016. Students tour the Umatilla County Jail for an eye opening Experience.



Umatilla County Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony

Sheriff Rowan delivered the keynote speech on May 20, 2016 for the ceremony at Til Taylor Park in Pendleton. God Bless our fallen brothers and sisters and their families and friends....



← Winning team at the **2016 Golfing Fore Kids Tournament**, Umatilla County Sheriff's Office, with a nice photobomb by HPD. April 2016

New Detective Position to open. UCSCO

and Community Corrections have partnered to hire a new detective position dedicated to locating and arresting offenders who fail to appear or fail to comply with court ordered requirements.



VETERANS—THANK YOU FOR YOU SERVICE!

Did you know that DMV will add a designation on your driver's license to indicate you are a veteran if you qualify and request the designation? (No fee charged)



Visit the DMV website for more information: www.oregon.gov/odot/dmv/pages/driverid/veteran_designation.aspx

Did you know that military training on handguns can also be used as training

to apply for an Oregon Concealed Handgun License? Visit our website for more information: www.co.umatilla.or.us/Sheriff/Civil/CHL

New Fiscal Year, 2 New Positions

The 2017 FY Budget brought successful requests for two new positions to the Sheriff's Office. 1 Jail Technician, which will help free up a corrections officer position to monitor and supervise a larger inmate population. 1 Patrol Deputy position, partially funded by a U.S. Corps of Engineer contract to provide marine patrol from May through September.

Wildhorse Foundation Grant

was awarded to the Sheriff's Office for AEDs (Automated External Defibrillator) in June.



BURGLARY SUSPECT ARRESTED

On August 4, 2016 as Deputy Reitz was responding to a cold burglary in a rural location, he noticed a silver van parked in the area. Not knowing whether the van was involved, he collected the license plate and made



a visual check of the female driver. He then followed the reporter to the property. Later that evening the information collected by the deputy on the van and driver led to the arrest of 29 year old Julio GUARADO-GARCIA. Investigation continues into adtl suspects.