

## 2007 PRESS RELEASE REPORTS

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: December 25, 2007

TIME: 5:47 PM

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: West of Oak Hill Ave on Hwy 18

DRIVER #1: Juan Colorado Garcia, 23, uninjured

VEHICLE #1: 2000 GMC Sierra pickup, \$10,000 damage

NARRATIVE: Garcia was westbound on Hwy 18 when he lost control of the pickup on slick road conditions. Garcia went into the north ditch and rolled over. The pickup came to rest on its side. Garcia was cited for no valid drivers license, failure to have insurance and failure to maintain control.

TO: All News Media

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: December 24, 2007

TIME: 4:27 PM

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 3 ½ miles north of Sutherland on Vine Ave, 2/10 mile south of 430<sup>th</sup> Ave

DRIVER #1: Drew Green, 19, Sutherland, uninjured. Restraints used.

VEHICLE #1: 2003 Chev Cavalier, \$3500 damage.

NARRATIVE: Green was northbound on Vine Ave and he swerved to avoid another veh in his lane of traffic and entered the ditch thus causing his veh to come to rest on its side.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: December 22, 2007

TIME: 02:13 a.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 1 & 1/3 miles west of Hartley on Hwy 18

DRIVER #1: Daniel Reiman age 29 of Sioux Falls, SD. Non-incapacitating injuries.

Transported to Sanford Hospital in Sheldon, IA by private vehicle. Protective devices not used.

Citations for No Insurance and Failure to Maintain Control.

VEHICLE #1: 1998 Ford Pickup, estimated damage: \$4,000.00.

NARRATIVE: Reiman was westbound on Hwy 18 and lost control of his vehicle and entered the south ditch. Due to icy conditions, the vehicle rolled over one and a half times coming to rest on it's wheels.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: December 20, 2007

TIME: 8:15 a.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 3 miles west of Archer on Nettle Avenue

DRIVER #1: Jeffrey Tjossem age 52 of Primghar, IA. No injuries. Unknown if protective devices used.

VEHICLE #1: 2005 Kenworth Semi Tractor-Trailer, estimated damage: \$300.00.

DRIVER #2: Clayton McGuire age 17 of Archer, IA. No injuries. Unknown if protective devices used.

VEHICLE #2: 1989 Oldsmobile Delta 88, estimated damage: \$1,000.00.

NARRATIVE: Tjossem vehicle was a loaded semi tractor-trailer heading north on Nettle Avenue (L-36) in dense fog. McGuire was also northbound and was traveling faster than Tjossem. McGuire ran into the rear of Tjossem who was not aware of the collision until he arrived in Sheldon. Tjossem then called the sheriff's office to report being struck.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: December 19, 2007

TIME: 6:30 a.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: Hwy 10 & Hwy 143

DRIVER #1: Beau Roberts age 20 of Primghar, IA, non-incapacitating injuries, transported to the Orange City Hospital by Paullina Ambulance, unknown if protective devices used. Citation issued for Failure to yield half of the roadway when meeting a vehicle.

VEHICLE #1: 1998 Ford Pickup, estimated damage: \$1,500.00.

DRIVER #2: Ryan Wetrich age 19 of Calumet, IA, incapacitating injuries, transported to the Orange City Hospital by Granville Ambulance, unknown if protective devices used.

VEHICLE #2: 1995 Ford Taurus, estimated damage: \$5,000.00.

NARRATIVE: Roberts was westbound on Hwy 10 and possibly fell asleep and began to cross the centerline into oncoming traffic. Non-contact witness vehicle was eastbound on Hwy 10 and swerved to avoid Roberts vehicle and Wetrich vehicle was behind the witness vehicle and struck offset head-on by Roberts.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: December 8, 2007

TIME: 12:15 am

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: ½ mile E of Starling Ave on 440<sup>th</sup> St

DRIVER #1: Charles Roseland, age 19, from Hartley. Incapacitating injuries, transported to the Spencer Hospital by private vehicle. Lap and shoulder belt not used, ejected from vehicle.

VEHICLE #1: 2002 Ford F350.

PASSENGER: Mallory Kramer, age 20, from Hartley. Incapacitating injuries, transported to Baum Harmon Hospital, Primghar, by private vehicle. Lap and shoulder belt not used, ejected from vehicle.

PASSENGER: Kyle Hennings, age 18, from Ocheyedon. Non-incapacitating injuries, transported to Spencer Hospital by private vehicle. Lap and shoulder belt not used, ejected from vehicle.

NARRATIVE: Roseland was driving eastbound on 440<sup>th</sup> St and lost control, hit a field approach and it appears the vehicle rolled once and ended up in the north ditch on 440<sup>th</sup> St.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA  
DATE: December 9, 2007  
TIME: 1:35 p.m.  
SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**  
LOCATION: Polk Ave and 320<sup>th</sup> St.  
DRIVER #1: Lacinda McParland age 56 of Sanborn, IA. Possible injuries. Not transported. Shoulder and lap belt used.  
VEHICLE #1: 1993 Olds Cutlass, estimated damage: \$3,500.00  
DRIVER #2: Brian Wolfswinkel age 48 of Sanborn, IA. Possible injuries. Not transported. Shoulder and lap belt used. Wolfswinkel was cited for Following too Closely.  
VEHICLE #2: 1998 Ford F150 truck, estimated damage: \$600.00  
NARRATIVE: A dog ran onto the roadway. McParland braked and stopped on the roadway to avoid hitting the dog. Wolfswinkel slammed on his brakes but could not stop and rear ended McParland.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA  
DATE: December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
TIME: 8:00 p.m.  
SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**  
LOCATION: 4756 Silver Ave, Paullina, IA.  
DRIVER #1: Robert Oeffner age 69 of Paullina, IA. No injuries. Shoulder and lap belt used.  
VEHICLE #1: 2006 Chrysler Town & Country Van, estimate damage: \$8,000.00  
NARRATIVE: Oeffner was northbound on Silver Avenue in the 4700 mile. The gravel was a complete sheet of ice. Oeffner began to lose control, slid through the bridge, and went into the east ditch backwards. The vehicle then rolled onto it's left side, slightly damaging a barbed wire fence.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA  
RELEASE DATE: December 3, 2007  
SUBJECT: **Controlled Substance Arrests**  
LOCATION: 405 Pine St., Sheldon  
NARRATIVE: An O'Brien County Sheriff's deputy arrested two subjects for possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia at 405 Pine St, Sheldon, Iowa on November 29, 2007. Officers seized green leafy plants alleged to be marijuana and drug paraphernalia. Arrested were William Douglas Carroll, age 38 and Edna Look, age 44, both were arrested and charged with Possession of Marijuana, a Serious Misdemeanor, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia a simple misdemeanor with bond set at \$1,000 each. Both Carroll and Look posted bond and their preliminary hearings have been set for December 4, 2007. Both will appear in District Court at a later date. The Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Sheldon Police Department.

*"An arrest without disposition is not an indication of guilt and they are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law".*

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: November 25, 2007

TIME: 5:00 P.M.

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 4 ½ miles north of Sheldon on Nest Ave. ¾ mile north of 280<sup>th</sup> and Nest Ave

DRIVER #1: Samantha Meeker, Sibley. Lap and seat restraints used.

VEHICLE #1: 2005 Suzuki, estimated damage \$10,000.

NARRATIVE: Unit 1 was southbound on Nest Ave when the driver claimed that she swerved to miss an animal on the roadway. The swerve caused her to lose control and enter the west ditch where the vehicle rolled several times eventually landing on it's wheels.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: November 25, 2007

TIME: 4:15 P.M.

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: Hwy 18 200 feet east of Roosevelt Ave

DRIVER #1: Ronald Johnson, Sioux Falls, SD. Lap and seat belts used. Not injured.

VEHICLE #1: 2000 Cadillac. Damage \$1500.

DRIVER #2: Mark Kukkonen, Iowa City, IA. Lap and seat belts used. Not injured.

VEHICLE #2: 2005 Chev. Damage \$500.

NARRATIVE: Unit 1 was westbound on Hwy 18 in the 5800 mile and unit 2 was also westbound on Hwy 18 in the 5800 mile. Unit 2 rear ended Unit 1 while both were still in motion.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: November 25, 2007

TIME: 12:20 a.m.

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 310<sup>th</sup> Street & Vine Avenue

DRIVER #1: Samantha Horan age 18 of Hartley, IA. No injuries. Lap and shoulder belt used. Citation for Failure to Maintain Control.

VEHICLE #1: 1998 Ford SUV, estimated damage: \$2,000.00 dollars

NARRATIVE: Horan lost control on a gravel road sliding sideways into the left or north ditch. Horan struck a utility pole and snapped the pole approximately 10 feet off the ground. Damage to pole, transformer, and two meters.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: November 13, 2007

TIME: 12:38 A.M.

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: E Bertha St & S Maple St, Paullina

DRIVER #1: Kathleen Rook, age 44, from Paullina, no injuries, lap & shoulder belt were used.

Rook was cited for OWI, Failure to Prove Security & Failure to Maintain Control

VEHICLE #1: 1998 Plymouth Neon, approximate damage \$3,000.

VEHICLE #2: 1997 Dodge Intrepid, legally parked, approximate damage \$1,100.

NARRATIVE: Rook struck the curb and then the utility pole and continued northbound striking a legally parked vehicle. The parked vehicle slid approximately 2 feet.

Immediate Release:

November 13, 2007



The O'Brien County Sheriff and Board of Supervisors along with Ron & Sue Rensink of Perspective Insurance are seen standing by the new Decatur Radar Traffic Trailer that was purchased from funds donated by Perspective Insurance of Sheldon. The donation was \$8,145 to the county.

The unit will be used throughout the county in areas where there have been traffic speed concerns. The radar unit is equipped with a statistical device that can capture data on times of day and high, low and median speeds along with traffic counts of those vehicles that approach it. The County is very appreciative of the donation in that it will help slow traffic down and assist the Sheriff's Office with providing information on where and when to deploy actual patrol deputies to warn or cite speed violators.

The picture shows (from left to right) County Supervisor Jake Moermond, Dan Struve Jr., Board Chair Emily Waund, Sheriff Michael Anderson, Perspective Insurance owners Sue Rensink, Ron Rensink and County Supervisor Rich Haack.

DATE: November 12, 2007

Immediate Release

SUBJECT: **Traffic Enforcement Wave – Nov 19-25, 2007**

## **Iowa's Law Enforcement Launches Special Click It or Ticket Mobilization This Thanksgiving**

***Statewide Enforcement Blitz Aims to Boost Safety Belt Use and Save Lives***

**Des Moines, Iowa** – In an effort to save more lives on Iowa's roadways during the heavily-traveled Thanksgiving weekend, the O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Sanborn Police Department, and Hartley Police Department, will be out with other State and local law enforcement agencies buckling down on all motorists not buckled up. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), 44 percent of all passenger vehicle occupants killed in fatal crashes in Iowa during 2006 were not wearing their safety belts at the time of the fatal crash. That's why the O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Sanborn Police Department, and Hartley Police Department will be stepping up enforcement with another special "Click It or Ticket" enforcement mobilization during the week of the Thanksgiving holiday in an effort to boost Iowa's safety belt use and to reduce highway fatalities. Law enforcement activities will be conducted during a heavy wave of enforcement, November 19-25, 2007.

"Although Iowa's observed safety belt rate is 91 percent for 2007, which is up 16 percent since 1997, too many people still take the attitude that it will never happen to me. But fatal crashes can and do happen every day. We've made a lot of progress, but there are still too many unrestrained fatalities in our state," Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau Director J. Michael Laski, said. "That's why during the heavily-traveled Thanksgiving week, law enforcement agencies are increasing enforcement to ensure that *all* passengers in *all vehicle* are always buckled up, day and night." Director Laski said regular safety belt use is the single most effective way to protect people and reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes. When worn correctly, safety belts have proven to reduce the risk of fatal injury to front-seat passenger car occupants by 45 percent – and by 60 percent in pickup trucks, SUVs and mini-vans. "Unfortunately too many folks in our area still need a tough reminder that wearing a safety belt is the absolute best way to protect themselves during a motor vehicle crash, so officers will be out in force buckling down on those who are not buckled up," said Director Laski. "Wearing your safety belt costs you nothing, but not wearing it could cost you a ticket, or worse - your life. Please remember to buckle up day and night --Click It or Ticket."

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: November 8, 2007

TIME: 4:56 P.M.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: NW BLVD, 220 feet north of N 5<sup>th</sup> Ave, Sheldon

DRIVER #1: Scott Thomas Kiley, Mendota Heights, MN. Uninjured. Restraints used.

VEHICLE #1: 2006 Jeep, \$5000 damage

NARRATIVE: Unit 1 was northbound on NW Blvd and struck a deer that was on the roadway.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: November 7, 2007

TIME: 12:41 AM

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 320<sup>th</sup> St (Hwy 18) 1/3 mile West of Pierce Ave

DRIVER #1: Samantha Simkins, age 20, from Sanborn, no injuries, lab & shoulder belt not used.

VEHICLE #1: 1996 Chev Cavalier, approx cost to repair \$1,800.00.

NARRATIVE: Simkins was eastbound in the 5400 mile of 320<sup>th</sup> St (Highway 18). Simkins swerved to avoid a deer and entered the north ditch. Simkins struck a field drive causing both driver's side and passenger's side airbags to deploy.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: November 5, 2007

TIME: 3:02 pm

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: Northwest Blvd & 280<sup>th</sup> St, Sheldon, IA

DRIVER #1: Marvin Auchstetter, age 77, no injuries, shoulder and lap belt used.

VEHICLE #1: 2002 Buick Lesabre, \$5000 damages.

DRIVER #2: Joshua Fettes, age 18, no injuries, shoulder and lap belt used.

VEHICLE #2: 1997 Chev Cavalier, \$3500 damages.

NARRATIVE: Auchstetter was stopped along the northbound lane of Northwest Blvd on the shoulder. Fettes was at the stop sign at B14 and Northwest Blvd. Auchstetter began to merge into traffic and failed to see Fettes who had proceeded from the stop sign. Auchstetter and Fettes hit in the intersection.

DATE: November 5, 2007

TIME: 12:07 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Controlled Substance Arrests**

The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office reports the arrests of two persons for possession of Meth Precursors in the early morning hours of November 4, 2007 west of Archer, Iowa.

A deputy on routine traffic patrol spotted a vehicle near a rural residence and upon further investigation became suspicious of their activity. Additional deputies were dispatched to the scene to assist. A subsequent investigation resulted in the arrests of two and they are: Robert Alan Smith, age 53, 360 4<sup>th</sup> street Apt# 5, Primghar on Possession of Meth Precursors, a felony, bond set at \$10,000 and is currently in the O'Brien County Jail. Michael W. Walker, age 29, 902 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave, Sheldon on Possession of Meth Precursors, a felony, bond set at \$10,000 and he is currently in the O'Brien County Jail. Later a search warrant was served at the Robert Smith residence in Primghar and it resulted in the arrest of Shannon Johnson, age 37, 813 First street Correctionville, IA on Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, a Simple Misdemeanor. Johnson later in the day pled guilty to the paraphernalia charge and paid a fine & costs of \$307. The other two will appear in court at a later date.

Caveat: "AN ARREST WITHOUT DISPOSITION IS NOT AN INDICATION OF GUILT". They are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: November 5, 2007

**SUBJECT: Assault-Willful Injury Arrest**

The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office investigated a alleged assault on October 26, 2007 at a rural construction site in O'Brien County that was actually committed the day before. Allegedly the victim was assaulted by a heavy pick hammer on head area after some type of dispute between the two persons.

The victim, a 16 year old male was transported via a private vehicle to the Orange City hospital and later life-flighted to Sioux City with possible brain hemorrhaging. The injured party was reportedly in fair condition the following day. Upon further investigation a felony warrant of arrest was issued on Raul J. Crioyos, age 45, with an address of 1302 Delphi St. #2 Ellsworth, IA. Crioyos was arrested on the warrant on October 30, 2007 and transported to the O'Brien County Jail. His bond was set at \$10,000.00 and at press release time was still in jail. Crioyos is charged with Willful Injury, a felony. He will appear in District Court at a later date.

Caveat: "AN ARREST WITHOUT DISPOSITION IS NOT AN INDICATION OF GUILT". They are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: November 1, 2007

TIME: 4:00 PM

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: E of Hwy 59 on 280<sup>th</sup> St

DRIVER #1: Johnathon Ray Serr, age 15, from Sanborn, no injuries, shoulder and lap belt used.

VEHICLE #1: 1994 Pont, approx cost to repair \$2,500.

DRIVER #2:

VEHICLE #2:

NARRATIVE: Serr was westbound on 280<sup>th</sup> St just east of Hwy 59. The driver's side rear tire blew out causing Serr to lose control and enter the north ditch. Serr's vehicle rolled over onto its top.

DATE: October 30, 2007

**SUBJECT: Criminal Mischief Investigation – CRIME DUSTERS RELEASE**

Agency: Sheldon Police Department

The Sheldon Police Department is asking for the public's assistance in the investigation of a series of vandalism incidents in the city of Sheldon. The incidents have occurred during the past several weeks and involve the spray painting of graffiti on the sides of businesses, buildings in the city park and the train depot.

The Crime Dusters program is offering a **\$225.00 reward** to anyone who provides information on this crime that leads to the arrest and conviction of the offenders.

You may provide information on this crime or any other crimes by calling the Sheldon Police Department at 712-324-2525 or the O'Brien County Sheriff's Office at 712-957-3415. Upon calling you will be put in contact with a police officer that will take your information. People can also provide information or tips on crimes by using the "Hot Tip" link or "e-mail" button on this website. Arrangements can be made to assist the people who want to remain anonymous but still be eligible for the reward.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: October 23, 2007

TIME: 1:49 P.M.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: ½ mile south of Calumet on Hwy 59

DRIVER #1: Christopher Hardt, Swea City. Uninjured. Unknown if restraints used.

VEHICLE #1: 2001 Ford pickup, \$2000 damage

DRIVER #2: Christopher Beck, Sutherland. Uninjured. Unknown if restraints used.

VEHICLE #2: 2001 Ford Taurus, \$3500 damage.

NARRATIVE: Unit 1 was turning west into a farm drive. Unit 2 was attempting to pass unit 1. Unit 2 struck unit 1 causing both vehicles to enter the west ditch and come to rest.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: October 22, 2007

TIME: 5:00 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: South Clark, Paullina

DRIVER #1: Charlotte Herwig age 79 of Paullina, IA. Unknown if protective devices used.

VEHICLE #1: 1993 Chevrolet Lumina, Estimated damage \$200.00

OWNER #2: James Hedinger of Paullina, IA

VEHICLE #2: 1997 Chevrolet K1500 pickup, Estimated damage \$1000.00

NARRATIVE: Herwig was backing out of a driveway and backed into Hedinger's vehicle due to the sun in her eyes. Hedinger's vehicle was legally parked on the side of the street.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: October 19, 2007

TIME: 5:10 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 290<sup>th</sup> Street & Roosevelt Ave.

DRIVER #1: Mariana Miranda age 19 of Sibley. No injuries. Protective devices used. Cited for Failure to Maintain Control

VEHICLE #1: 2000 Ford Explorer SUV, Estimated damage \$6,000.00

NARRATIVE: Miranda was northbound on Roosevelt Avenue when Miranda crossed the centerline onto the west shoulder of the road. Miranda attempted to correct and upon doing so swerved back into the northbound lane and onto the east shoulder. The vehicle continued to slide sideways through the ditch and a fence line before the vehicle flipped onto it's top in the field along the east side of the road.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: October 16, 2007

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

**SUBJECT: School Bus Accident**

The O'Brien County Communications Center received a 911 call on October 15, 2007 at 3:41 p.m. reporting a school bus rollover near the intersection of 380<sup>th</sup> street and Roosevelt Ave just west of Primghar. A South O'Brien school bus carrying 52 passengers tipped on its side. The bus reportedly was traveling west on 380th Street and turned the corner heading south onto Roosevelt, when the bus got caught in the soft wet gravel and tipped over into the west ditch. Students were picked up by another bus and taken back to the school in Paullina where parents were contacted by South O'Brien School personnel. The bus driver and few students were taken to the hospital for minor injuries. No one was seriously injured. The Iowa State Patrol, from Post 6 of Spencer investigated the accident assisted by the O'Brien County Sheriff's Office.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: October 15, 2007

TIME: 11:38 a.m.

**SUBJECT: Controlled Substance & OWI Arrest**

Thomas J Bentley, age 46, address of Peru, Indiana was arrested and booked into the O'Brien County Jail on October 11, 2007 on charges of Possession of Marijuana, Operating While Intoxicated, Driving without a valid license and Drug Paraphernalia north of Paullina on county road L48. A Sheriff's deputy observed Mr. Bentley speeding and subsequently stopped for the violation. Upon further investigation it was discovered the Mr. Bentley was in possession of a trace amount of cocaine, a small amount of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. Mr. Bentley was booked into jail and released the following morning on \$2,000 bond. He will appear in District Court at a later date.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: October 12, 2007

TIME: 9:00 p.m.

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: North Main Street & West Commerce Street in Paullina, IA.

DRIVER #1: Nancy Shafer age 75 of Granville. No injuries. Unknown if protective devices used. Cited for Failure to Maintain Control.

VEHICLE #1: 1999 Cadillac Deville

NARRATIVE: Shafer pressed on the gas instead of the brake, causing her to jump the curb and drive into United Foods Store.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: October 10, 2007

TIME: 12:20 p.m.

**SUBJECT: Burglary Arrests**

O'Brien County Sheriff's deputies arrested three Paullina people October 5, 2007 in connection with three Paullina business burglaries on September 28, 2007. Burglaries were reported from

Monte's Steakhouse & Lounge, Valhalla Lounge & Bubbles Laundromat and an undetermined amount of money was reportedly taken.

Arrested and charged with two counts of Burglary in the Third Degree, a felony, Possession of a Traffic Control device, a misdemeanor was Thomas W. Utter, age 18, he is currently being held in the O'Brien County Jail on \$5,000 bond. Brittany Edwards, age 18, charged with one count of Burglary in the Third Degree, a felony was released on \$5,000 bond. Troy A. Roof, age 18, charged with one count of Burglary in the Third Degree, a felony was released on \$5,000 bond. All three reported an address of 312 S. Clark Paullina, Iowa. All three will appear in District Court at a later date.

Caveat: Suspect(s) are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: October 6, 2007

TIME: 11:28 a.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: N. Cannon & Grand Ave. Paullina, Ia

DRIVER #1: Monica Brink age 47 of Sheldon, Ia. No injuries. Unknown if protective devices used. VEHICLE #1: 1994 Geo Metro, Estimated damage \$2500. DRIVER #2: Amy Tuttle age 25 of Paullina, Ia. No injuries. Unknown if protective devices used. Citation issued for no insurance and fail to yield on left turn. VEHICLE #2: 1992 Olds Regency, Estimated damage \$2500. NARRATIVE: Brink was eastbound when Tuttle failed to yield to on coming traffic while making a left turn resulting in Brink striking Tuttle in the right rear quarter panel with Brink's right front fender.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: September 27, 2007

TIME: 11:09 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 1.25 miles south of Hartley, IA on Warbler Avenue

DRIVER #1: John Clayton age 20 of Doniphan, MO. Incapacitating injuries. Transported to the Spencer Hospital by Hartley Ambulance. Unknown if protective devices used. Citation for Failure to Maintain Control.

VEHICLE #1: 2004 Ford Explorer, Estimated damage: \$13,000.00

NARRATIVE: Clayton was southbound on Warbler Avenue, driving excess speed, lost control on gravel and rolled several times, coming to rest on it's top.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office & Sheldon Police Department

DATE: October 1, 2007

SUBJECT: **Burglary Investigations**

The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office and the Sheldon Police Department are investigating two business burglaries on the northeast side of Sheldon. The businesses that were broken into were Superior Equipment & Rental and S2 Computer Solutions. The burglaries occurred during the late evening hours of September 26, 2007 and into the early morning hours of September 27, 2007. The suspect or suspects are believed to have entered Superior Equipment & Rental through

a door. The suspects gained entry to S2 Computer Solutions by forcing open a window on the business. The victims reported that cash was missing from their businesses.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: September 26, 2007

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Criminal Mischief Juvenile arrests**

The O'Brien County Sheriff's office has charged three Sheldon residents for 5<sup>th</sup> degree criminal mischief. The charges stem from their alleged involvement into several incidents, which involved the painting of graffiti on a bridge over pass on Highway #60 south of Sheldon. The incident is reported to have occurred in mid August of this year.

Charged were eighteen year old Paul Greathouse, seventeen year old Derek Nelson and fifteen year old Christopher Davis all of Sheldon. Greathouse was booked into the O'Brien County Jail and released on a signature bond and appeared in magistrate court on a later date. Nelson and Davis are each juveniles and will appear in juvenile court at a later date. The two juveniles were released into the custody of their parents.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: September 21, 2007

TIME: 3:45 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 3 miles W of Sutherland on Hwy 10

DRIVER #1: Bret Seivert age 32, of Spencer, IA. Uninjured. Unknown if restraints used.

VEHICLE #1: 2005 Pont G6, Estimate damage: \$1,000.00

DRIVER #2: Derek Friedrichsen age 16, of Paullina, IA. Uninjured. Unknown if restraints used. Friedrichsen was cited for Failure to Maintain Control and Following too close.

VEHICLE #2: 1997 Chevy Cavalier, Estimated damage: \$5,000.00

NARRATIVE: Both Seivert and Friedrichsen were eastbound on Hwy 10. Friedrichsen was following Seivert too close and ran into the backend of the Seivert vehicle.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: September 17, 2007

TIME: 5:51 PM

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: Corner of S. Willow, & W. Groesbeck, Paullina, IA.

DRIVER #1: Dennis Keith Dickmeyer, age 57 of Sutherland, no injuries, unknown if protective devices worn.

VEHICLE #1: 1999 Thomas School Bus, South O'Brien School District  
Estimate damage: None

VEHICLE #2: Legally parked 1994 Dodge Pickup  
Estimate damage: \$1,000.00

NARRATIVE: 1994 Dodge pickup was unattended and legally parked. Dickmeyer was too close to the pickup, as Dickmeyer made a sharp left hand turn, the portion of the bus behind the rear wheels swung and struck the parked vehicle causing damage to the left front fender of the parked vehicle.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: September 18, 2007

TIME: 9:15 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 3 miles southeast of Hartley on 340<sup>th</sup> Street.

DRIVER #1: Jacob Schilling age 15 of Hartley. No injuries. Lap and shoulder belt used. Citation for Failure to Maintain Control.

PASSENGER: Johana Schilling of Hartley, non-incapacitating injuries, unknown if safety devices used, transported to the Sheldon Hospital by private vehicle.

VEHICLE #1: 1997 Jeep Cherokee SUV

NARRATIVE: Schilling was westbound on 340<sup>th</sup> Street when he claimed that a deer crossed the road in front of him. Schilling swerved to avoid the deer at which time he entered the north ditch, went through a fence line and landed on it's roof after rolling several times.

FROM: O'Brien County Attorney's Office

DATE: September 12, 2007

SUBJECT: **Prison Sentence for Sheldon man**

O'Brien County Attorney Bruce A. Green reports that Josh Allen McFadden, age 19, of 1321 S. 3rd Avenue, Sheldon, Iowa was convicted of delivery of a controlled substance, to-wit: methamphetamine, a class "C" felony, and sentenced to confinement for no more than ten (10) years, fined \$1,455 and ordered to pay \$1,600 in restitution to the Sheldon Police Department who investigated the case and arrested McFadden on April 13, 2007 after he delivered methamphetamine to an undercover agent.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: September 6, 2007

TIME: 06:28 A.M.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 330<sup>th</sup> St and Redwing Ave

DRIVER #1: Jerry Vander Plaats, Sheldon.

VEHICLE #1: 1987 Chevy \$2,000 damage

DRIVER #2: Bounthanong Phiakhamta, Sheldon

VEHICLE #2: 1993 Dodge Dakota, \$1,500 damage

NARRATIVE: Vehicle 2 was heading eastbound on 330<sup>th</sup> and vehicle 1 was heading northbound on Redwing Ave. Driver of vehicle 2 was distracted by an object in the vehicle and failed to stop and collided with vehicle 1. Unsure if restraints were used. No injuries. Driver 2 was cited for no valid driver's license, failure to obey stop sign and no proof of insurance.

FROM: O'Brien County Attorney's Office

DATE: September 6, 2007

SUBJECT: Sentenced to Prison

O'Brien County Attorney Bruce A. Green reports that Kimberly Lorraine Boneschans, age 40, of 1321 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Sheldon, Iowa was convicted of conspiracy to deliver a controlled substance, to-wit: methamphetamine, a class "C" felony, and sentenced to confinement for no more than ten (10) years, fined \$1,455 and ordered to pay \$600. in restitution to the Sheldon Police Department who investigated the case and arrested Boneschans on April 13, 2007 after she conspired to deliver methamphetamine to an undercover agent.

Larry Joe Maxwell, age 36, of 720 Western Avenue, Sheldon, Iowa was convicted of Theft in the Second Degree, a class "D" felony and sentenced to confinement of no more than five (5) years, fined \$1,115 and ordered to pay restitution to Hy-Vee of Sheldon in the amount of \$3,439.20 for the theft of cigarettes. Maxwell was arrested on May 15, 2007 by officers of the Sheldon Police Department who investigated the case.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: September 9, 2007

TIME: 07:21 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 360<sup>th</sup> & Roosevelt Ave.

DRIVER #1: Debra Hunter, age 52, of Pipestone, Mn. Possible injuries. Transported to Primghar Hospital by the Primghar Ambulance. Lap and shoulder belt used. Citations for: OWI 1<sup>st</sup> and failure to maintain control.

VEHICLE #1: 1990 Chevrolet Lumina, estimate damage \$1500.00

NARRATIVE: Hunter was northbound on the gravel road of Roosevelt Ave. from 370<sup>th</sup> Street. The driver lost control on gravel went to the left side of the road and then returned to the right side of the road. The car entered the east ditch and rolled over coming to rest on its roof.

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FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: August 21, 2007

SUBJECT: Jury Trial Guilty Verdict

On August 10, 2007 an O'Brien County District Court jury found Louis Lopez, age 36 of Correctionville, Iowa "guilty" after a trial on charges of Attempted Burglary and Possession of Burglary Tools. Lopez was originally charged with 2 counts of Burglary in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree, 1 count of attempted burglary and 1 count of Possession of Burglary Tools. Donna's & the local Community Building in Calumet were burglarized on March 14, 2006 and the attempted burglary in Sutherland at Beddy's Bar. Lopez was found "not guilty" on the burglaries & a charge of Theft 2<sup>nd</sup> for the theft of over \$1,000 from Donna's in Calumet. The "guilty" verdict resulted from the attempted burglary at Beddy's Bar in Sutherland the same night. Both charges were Aggravated Misdemeanors, maximum penalties could result in a maximum of not to exceed two years in prison or \$6,250 fine. Lopez will be sentenced at a later date in District Court.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: August 14, 2007

SUBJECT: **Controlled Substance Arrests**

LOCATION: 224 S. Clark Street, Paullina, Iowa

NARRATIVE: O'Brien County Sheriff's officers served a search warrant at 224 S. Clark Street, Paullina, Iowa on August 14, 2007. Officers seized green leafy plants alleged to be marijuana and drug paraphernalia. Arrested were James W. Ficklen, age 34, on a charge of Possession of Marijuana, a Serious Misdemeanor with bond set at \$1,950. Ficklen is also wanted on a felony warrant out of Galveston, Texas. James B. Nall, age 40, on a charge of Manufacture & Possession of Marijuana, a Class D felony with bond set at \$9,750 and Carla K. Hewitt, age 38, on a charge of Possession of Marijuana, a Serious Misdemeanor with bond set at \$1,950. Currently Ficklen & Hewitt are in the O'Brien County Jail and Nall has been released on bond. All will appear in District Court at a later date.

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FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: August 13, 2007

SUBJECT: **Controlled Substance Arrest**

LOCATION: 213 E. Green Street, Paullina, Iowa

NARRATIVE: The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office received a report from the Baum-Harmon Mercy Hospital, Primghar of injuries on a minor child on August 13, 2007. The investigation led to the arrest of Thomas J. Boggs, age 26 of 213 E. Green Street, Paullina, Iowa on a charge of Possession of Marijuana, a Serious Misdemeanor. Bond is set at \$1,000. He will appear in District Court at a later date. The investigation continues into the injuries of the child. The condition of the child was not available.

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FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: August 10, 2007

TIME: 01:56 a.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: IA 60, Sheldon, IA.

DRIVER #1: Adam Wermers age 25, of West Point, Nebraska. Possible injuries. Transported to Sanford Medical by the Sheldon Ambulance. Occupant protections not used. Citations for: Failure to Maintain Control and Failure to use Safety Belt. OWI charge pending.

VEHICLE #1: 1998 Dodge Pickup

Estimated damage to vehicle: \$5,000.00 (total loss)

Estimated damage to guardrail: \$1,000.00

NARRATIVE: Wermers was heading southbound on IA 60. Wermers lost control of pickup and hit guardrail and then came to rest on the median.

DATE: August 11, 2007

TIME: 10:39 a.m.

**SUBJECT: Vandalism at Hartley Meadowbrook G & CC**

The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office received a report of several golf carts damaged and a nearby bean field ran through with a golf cart by persons unknown sometime during the late evening hours of August 10<sup>th</sup> or early morning of August 11, 2007. Currently the amount of damage to the course and carts is undetermined and the incident remains under investigation.

Hartley Police Department

DATE: August 9, 2007

**SUBJECT: Drug Arrests**

A six-month investigation on August 7, 2007 the Hartley and Sanborn Police Departments assisted by the O'Brien County Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant at 141 2nd St. SW in Hartley, Iowa. During the search officers located marijuana and drug paraphernalia. 47-year-old William Collins and 51-year-old Patricia Penwell were arrested and charged with Possession of a controlled substance and Possession of drug paraphernalia. They were booked into the O'Brien County Jail with bail set at \$2275, each.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: July 30, 2007

TIME: 13:59 p.m.

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: On South Mickley in Paullina, IA.

DRIVER #1: David Engelkes age 63 of Arnolds Park, IA. No injuries. Shoulder and lap belt used.

VEHICLE #1: 2003 Freightliner Straight truck, estimate damage: None

DRIVER #2: None – vehicle parked

VEHICLE #2: 2003 Chevy pickup, estimate damage: \$2,000.00

NARRATIVE: Engelkes was backing up in alley way and struck parked vehicle

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: July 27, 2007

TIME: 15:50 p.m.

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: On M12 in Hartley, Iowa.

DRIVER #1: Mark Fahlander age 46 of Royal, Iowa. No injuries. Unknown if protection devices worn.

VEHICLE #1: 1994 Semi Freightliner, estimated damage: None

NARRATIVE: Fahnlander was westbound out of Ag Partners private driveway. Fahnlander was driving a semi tractor and grain tractor and was turning right to go south on M-12. Fahnlander took the corner too tight and his trailer struck a railroad flasher owned by ICNE Railroad. \$1,000 dollars damage done to the railroad flasher.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: July 23, 2007

TIME: 8:24 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: Approximately ¼ mile N of 300<sup>th</sup> St on Yew Ave, Hartley, IA

DRIVER #1: Jordan Olivia Struve age 16, from Hartley. Lap and shoulder belt worn. Possible minor injury to hand. Refused medical attention.

VEHICLE #1: 1999 Pontiac Grand Prix 4 door, estimate damage: \$3,500.00

DRIVER #2: None

VEHICLE #2: None

NARRATIVE: Struve was northbound on Yew Ave. Due to heavy rains, Struve attempted to slow down and went into the east ditch striking the ditch causing the vehicle to land on its roof.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: July 20, 2007

TIME: 2:19 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: Hwy 10 & Hwy 59 Junction north of Calumet, IA.

DRIVER #1: Julia Miller, age 16, from Ruthven, not injured, shoulder and lap belt worn.

VEHICLE #1: 1997 Cadillac, estimated damage: \$3,000.00

NARRATIVE: Miller slowed to make a left hand turn from Highway 10 onto Highway 59. During the turn, Miller made too wide a turn and struck a street light pole breaking off the pole and damaging the vehicle.

FROM: Hartley Police Department

DATE: July 21, 2007

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

On Saturday, July 21, 2007 the Hartley Police Dept. investigated a fatal one vehicle accident in Hartley. Richard Reuland age 53 of Arnolds Park was heading south on Central Ave in Hartley. on a 2004 Harley Davidson motorcycle when he lost control and struck a tree. Reuland was transported to the Spencer Hospital where he died of his injuries. The Hartley Police Dept was aided in the investigation by the Iowa State Patrol, The Hartley Fire Dept. and Hartley Ambulance Team.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: July 19, 2007

TIME: 10:05 A.M.

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 508 S Groesbeck, Paullina, IA.

DRIVER #1: Kimberly Marx age 34 of Paullina, IA. No injuries. Lap and shoulder belt used.

VEHICLE #1: 2004 Ford F150, Estimate damage: None

DRIVER #2: None – Vehicle parked

VEHICLE #2: 1995 Ford Escort, Estimate damage: \$1,800.00

NARRATIVE: Marx backed out of a residential driveway, not seeing legally parked vehicle across the street. Marx struck the parked vehicle.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: July 8, 2007

TIME: 12:00 a.m.

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 2.5 miles northeast of Sheldon on 300<sup>th</sup> Street

DRIVER #1: Randy Weber age 34 of Sheldon, IA. No injuries. Lap and shoulder belt used.

VEHICLE #1: 1996 Chevy Pickup, Damage to Vehicle: \$5,200.00, Damage to utility pole \$1,700.00.

NARRATIVE: Weber was westbound in 4800 mile of 300<sup>th</sup> Street. Weber swerved to miss deer in roadway and entered the north ditch, striking a utility pole.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: July 6, 2007

TIME: 1:00 a.m.

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 2 miles southeast of Sutherland on Highway 10 Blvd

DRIVER #1: Michael Kies age 27 of Storm Lake, IA. Non-incapacitating injuries. Shoulder and lap belt used. Citations issued for OWI 3<sup>rd</sup> Offense, Failure to Maintain Control, Failure to Provide Proof of Insurance and Failure to Report a Personal Injury Accident.

VEHICLE #1: 1997 Chevy Pickup, Estimated damage: \$3,000.00

NARRATIVE: Kies ran off roadway to the right, over corrected coming back onto roadway, ran off the road to the left and rolled vehicle onto the passenger side. Kies was not at the scene of the accident when deputies arrived to investigate. Kies was located and arrested in the 6600 mile of 500<sup>th</sup> St assisted by an O'Brien County Conservation Officer.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: June 23, 2007

TIME: 10:17 PM

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 400<sup>th</sup> Street 1 Miles South of Primghar, Iowa on Hwy #59

VEHICLE #1: 1994 Ford Probe

DRIVER #1: Hope Fox, age 16, of Paullina, IA. Seat belt not used. Personal injury & transported to Baum-Harmon Hospital, Primghar by ambulance.  
PASSENGER: Desiree E Crist, age 16, of Sutherland, IA. Seat belt not used. Fatality.  
PASSENGER: Karl L Kruse, age 16, of Hartley, IA. Seat belt not used. Personal injury & transported to Baum-Harmon Hospital, Primghar by ambulance.  
PASSENGER: Timothy Rosenboom, age 17, Sanborn, IA. Seat belt not used. Personal injury & transported to Baum-Harmon Hospital, Primghar by ambulance.  
PASSENGER: Lucas W Schurle, age 17, Hartley, IA. Seat belt not used. Personal injury & transported to Baum-Harmon Hospital, Primghar by ambulance.  
VEHICLE #2: 2003 Saturn  
DRIVER #2: Chris Holck, age 50, Okoboji, IA. Seatbelt was used. Personal injury & transported to Baum-Harmon Hospital, Primghar by ambulance.  
PASSENGER: Kathleen Holck, age 51, Okoboji, IA. Seatbelt was used. Personal injury & transported to Baum-Harmon Hospital, Primghar by ambulance, treated and later released.  
NARRATIVE: Vehicle #1 was eastbound on 400<sup>th</sup> street and did not stop for the stop sign and was struck in the right side by vehicle #2 on Highway #59. All were transported to the Baum-Harmon Hospital. The Iowa State Patrol was assisted by O'Brien County Sheriff's deputies and members of the Primghar, Paullina, Sutherland ambulances and fire departments.

DATE: June 18, 2007

TIME: 11:02 a.m.

SUBJECT: **Farm Fatality**

The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office assisted by members of the Sutherland Ambulance, Fire & Rescue units responded to 6867 460<sup>th</sup> Street at approx. 2:11 p.m. on June 16, 2007 to a tractor accident report. When ambulance members arrived at 2:18 p.m. they found a person pinned underneath the tractor, identified as Kenneth R. Woolston, age 69, of 4526 Yulan Avenue Sutherland, Iowa with no pulse. The Sutherland Fire & Rescue unit extricated Mr. Woolston from beneath the tractor He was later pronounced dead by O'Brien Count Medical Examiner Dr. Sara Zoelle.

Apparently Mr. Woolston was attempting to unload a tractor from a semi tractor trailer when one of the tractor tires slipped over the side of the trailer causing the tractor to flip over on its top pinning Mr. Woolston beneath.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: June 8, 2007

TIME: 3:26 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: Hwy 10 & North Maple Street in Paullina, IA.

DRIVER #1: James Thomson age 44 of Primghar. No injuries. Shoulder and lap belt used.

VEHICLE #1: 1989 Chevy Pickup, Estimated damage: None

BICYCLIST: Incapacitating injuries, transported to the Orange City Hospital by Paullina Ambulance.

NARRATIVE: Thomson was westbound on Hwy 10, when the bicycle ran the stop sign and entered into traffic in front of Thomson. Thomson was unable to stop before striking the bicycle.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: June 14, 2007

TIME: 08:18 a.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: On Hwy 18 2 miles East of Hartley

DRIVER #1: Douglas Coglizer, age 47, of Bagley, IA. Possible medical condition.

Transported to Spencer Hospital by Sanborn Ambulance. Shoulder and lap belt used.

PASSENGER #1: Candace Myers Coglizer, age 36 of Bagley, IA. Transported to Spencer Hospital by Hartley Ambulance for a condition not related to the accident. No protective devices used.

VEHICLE #1: 2000 Freightliner Semi, Estimate Damage \$4,000.00

NARRATIVE: Coglizer passed out due to a possible medical condition and ran the semi tractor/trailer off the road and entered a cornfield. Coglizer also took out a utility pole.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: June 6, 2007

TIME: 8:54 PM

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 5621 460<sup>th</sup> Street

DRIVER #1: James Earl Steffens, age 40, of Primghar, IA. Shoulder and lap belt used. No injuries.

PASSENGER #1: Payton Steffens, age 17, of Primghar, IA. Lap belt used only. Non-incapacitating injuries. Transported to Baum Harmon by James Steffens.

PASSENGER #2: Cody Ginger, age 14, of Primghar, IA. Shoulder and lap belt used. Non-incapacitating injuries. Transported to Baum Harmon by James Steffens.

VEHICLE #1: 2001 Ford F150, estimated damage \$2500.

NARRATIVE Steffens was east bound on 460<sup>th</sup> Street in front of 5621 when a deer ran out in front of him. Steffens vehicle struck the deer and came to rest in the driveway of 5621 460<sup>th</sup> Street.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007

SUBJECT: Arrests on Search Warrant

LOCATION: 3721 Vine Avenue, Hartley, Iowa

NARRATIVE: O'Brien County Sheriff's deputies, along with the Sanborn and Hartley Police Departments, served a search warrant at 3721 Vine Avenue, Hartley, Iowa on May 27, 2007. Officers seized drug paraphernalia, and an alleged controlled substance. Jeremy Bobzien, age 21, Kyle Flick, age 20, Levi Geerdes, age 18, Gabe Hall, age 23, all of Hartley, Iowa and Candice Ellenwood, 26, of Greenville, Iowa all charged with Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of a Controlled Substance. Jonathon Ihnen, age 44, Spencer, Iowa was charged with Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: May 27, 2007

TIME: 6:19 PM

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 6880 340<sup>th</sup> Street, Hartley, IA.

DRIVER #1: Anna Jo Wacker age 20 of Hartley, IA. Unknown if protective devices used. Incapacitating injuries & was transported to Spencer Hospital by Hartley Ambulance.

Ms.Wacker was charged for Failure to Maintain Control.

PASSENGER: Madison Schimmer age 17 of Hartley, IA. Non-incapacitating injuries.

Unknown if protective devices used. Transported to Spencer Hospital by Hartley Ambulance.

VEHICLE #1: 1998 Chevrolet, Monte Carlo, estimated damage: \$4,500.00

NARRATIVE: Ms.Wacker was westbound on 340<sup>th</sup> Street & lost control of the vehicle then entered the north ditch and then collided with the embankment, resulting in the vehicle rolling over and coming to rest on its top.

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FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: May 16, 2007

TIME: 10:34 P.M.

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 3952 Pierce Ave, Sanborn, IA.

DRIVER #1: Kelly DeGroot age 35 of Sanborn, IA. No injuries. No protective devices used. Arrested for OWI 1<sup>st</sup> Offense.

VEHICLE #1: 2006 GMC Pickup, Estimate damage: None

INJURED: Sean Gallagher age 43 of Sanborn, IA. Incapacitating injuries. Transport to Baum Harmon Mercy Hospital by Archer Ambulance.

NARRATIVE: DeGroot and Gallagher were involved in an altercation/dispute. DeGroot left the scene as Gallagher was hanging on the truck. Gallagher fell off the truck and vehicle's front driver's side tire passed over Gallagher's chest, causing injury. DeGroot then left the scene, only to return moments later to wait for law enforcement.

FROM: Sheldon Police Department

DATE: May 16, 2007

**SUBJECT: Criminal Mischief Investigation**

The Sheldon Police Department is investigating several vandalism incidents that occurred along a portion of the recreational walking trail between the west side of Sheldon and Northwest Iowa Community College. Suspect or suspects painted graffiti, broke off trees and shattered a

plexiglas cover on an informational kiosk. All of this is believed to have occurred between May 10 and May 13, 2007.

The Crime Dusters program is offering a **reward** to anyone who provides information on this crime that leads to the arrest and conviction of the offenders.

You may provide information on this crime or any other crimes by calling the O'Brien County Sheriff's Office at 712-957-3415. Upon calling you will be put in contact with a deputy Sheriff or Sheldon Police Officer who will take your information. People can also provide information or tips on crimes by using the "Hot Tip" link or "e-mail" button on this website. Arrangements can be made to assist the people who want to remain anonymous but still be eligible for the reward.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: May 15, 2007

TIME: 07:55 a.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: Hwy 10 (470<sup>th</sup> St.) & Hwy 59 (Silver Ave)

DRIVER #1: Cody Moulton age 20 of Primghar, IA. Possible injuries. Unknown if protective devices worn. Citation for Fail to Maintain Control.

VEHICLE #1: 2001 Dodge Intrepid, estimate damage: \$8,000.00

DRIVER #2: John Cedar age 57 of Cherokee, IA. Non-incapacitating injuries. Transported to the Cherokee Clinic by private vehicle. Unknown if protective devices worn.

VEHICLE #2: 2000 INTL Semi tractor trailer, estimate damage \$5,000.00

NARRATIVE: Moulton was southbound on Highway 59 and was turning west onto Highway 10. Cedar was in a Hyvee semi tractor-trailer heading east on Highway 10 approaching the stop sign. Moulton was distracted by his dog, which was riding in the vehicle with Moulton and took the corner too wide and struck Cedar vehicle in the left front wheel.

DATE: May 10, 2007

TIME: 4:00pm

SUBJECT: **Search Warrants and Arrest**

On May 9, 2007 the O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, which is a member agency of the Iowa Great Lakes Drug Task Force, executed 3 search warrants at 3 separate locations in O'Brien County. The first search warrant was executed at 215 Oak St, Sutherland, Iowa at approximately 10:00am. During the search officers located and seized drug paraphernalia. O'Brien County Sheriff's deputies arrested 47 year old Robert Pelletier and 38 year old Deborah Nordigan aka Mawson and charged them with possession of drug paraphernalia. Both were booked into the O'Brien County Jail and appeared before the O'Brien County Magistrate on May 10, 2007. Both Pelletier and Nordigan plead guilty to the simple misdemeanor charge and were released from jail.

The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office was assisted in the search by officers from the Sutherland Police Department, Clay County Sheriff's Office, Dickinson county Sheriff's Office, Iowa Division of Narcotics Enforcement, Iowa State Patrol, Sutherland Fire Rescue Units and the Sutherland Ambulance Team.

The second search warrant was executed at 375 3<sup>rd</sup> St N.W. Primghar, Iowa at approximately 1:30pm. During the search officers seized evidence, but no arrests were made.

The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office was assisted by officers from the Clay County Sheriff's Office and Dickinson County Sheriff's Office.

The third search warrant was executed at 402 Pine St, Sutherland, Iowa at approximately 3:00pm. During the search officers located and seized drug paraphernalia along with locating a clandestine methamphetamine lab in a shed on the property. Clan lab officers from the O'Brien County Sheriff's Office and Clay County Sheriff's Office collected evidence from the lab materials and rendered that site safe.

O'Brien County Sheriff's deputies arrested 24 year old Josilyn Schuknecht and charged her with Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (a simple misdemeanor), 21 year old Jarrod Schuknecht was arrested and charged with Possession of Precursors (a class D felony), and 24 year old Brandon Schuknecht was arrested and charged with Possession of Precursors (a class D felony). All three were transported to the O'Brien County Jail where they appeared before the O'Brien County Magistrate on May 10, 2007. Josilyn Schuknecht plead guilty to the charge of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and was released. The O'Brien County Magistrate set bond on Jarrod and Brandon Schuknecht at \$9750 and both remain in the O'Brien County Jail.

O'Brien County Sheriff's deputies were assisted by Sheriff's deputies from Dickinson County, Clay County, Sutherland Police Department, Sutherland Fire Rescue Units and the Sutherland Ambulance Team.

The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Clay County Sheriff's Office and Dickinson County Sheriff's Office are member agencies of the Iowa Great Lake Drug Task Force. The investigation by the Iowa Great Lakes Drug Task Force into the manufacturing, use and distribution of methamphetamine is ongoing and more arrests are expected.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: May 6, 2007

TIME: 11:05 a.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: ½ a mile South of Taft & 390th

DRIVER #1: Randy Sohn, 46, of Primghar, no injuries. Unknown if protective devices used.

VEHICLE #1: 1991 Chevrolet Corvette, \$3000.00 damage

DRIVER #2: Norman Rath, 58, of Calumet, no injuries. Unknown if protective devices used.

VEHICLE #2: 2001 Ford F150, \$1500.00 damage

NARRATIVE: Sohn & Rath were both northbound. Sohn approached Rath from the rear at a high rate of speed. Sohn attempted to swerve around the slow moving Rath to avoid a collision but still struck Rath in the driver's side front as Sohn attempted to return to his own lane following the pass. The collision resulted in both vehicles entering the east ditch. Sohn was cited for OWI, Failure to Maintain Control and Open Container.

DATE: May 3, 2007

TIME: 5:40 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Arrest of Dale Alan Meyer**

An Archer, Iowa, man has been arrested by the O'Brien County Sheriff's Office. **Dale Alan Meyer**, age 32, was charged with one count of Sexual Abuse 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree, a Class C Felony, and three counts of Supplying Alcohol to Minors, a Serious Misdemeanor.

Meyer was arrested on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2007, as the result of an investigation into a report of Sexual Abuse that occurred at Meyer's residence in Archer, Iowa, on February 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>, 2007. According to the investigation, Meyer allegedly supplied alcoholic beverages to three minor subjects at his residence, and then allegedly had sexual intercourse with one of the minors, age 13. Meyer is currently being held at the O'Brien County Jail on a \$13,000 bond. He will appear in District Court at a later date.

The maximum sentence for any person convicted of a Class "C" Felony shall be confinement for no more than ten years. The maximum sentence for any person convicted of a Serious Misdemeanor shall be confinement for no more than 1 year.

Caveat: Suspect(s) are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

DATE: May 1, 2007

FROM: Sheldon Police Department

SUBJECT: **Arrests**

Two area teens have been arrested by the Sheldon Police Department for their alleged involvement in numerous burglaries in Sheldon. The teens are alleged to have committed a series of car burglaries in which car stereos and other personal property were stolen from vehicles in Sheldon on the evenings of March 28 and April 4, 2007. Justin McClain, age 17, from Sheldon was charged with 8 counts of burglary in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree. McClain was released to the custody of his parent and has been cited into Juvenile court. Marc Gibbons, age 18, from Sanborn was charged with 3 counts of burglary in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree. Officers seized numerous items of an evidentiary value, including several car stereos, from McClain's vehicle and residence. Officers continue to investigate as there are other unsolved burglaries of vehicles in Sheldon in the months of March and April, 2007. Anyone with information is asked to contact the O'Brien County Crime Dusters Program at (712) 957-3415. Callers can remain anonymous and a reward of \$200 is available for anyone with information which leads to an arrest.

The Sheldon Police Department wants to remind everyone to lock their vehicles as most of the vehicles involved in this series of burglaries had been left unlocked.

FROM: Sheldon Police Dept

DATE: April 22, 2007

SUBJECT: **Burglaries to automobiles**

The Sheldon Police Department continues its investigation into a series of burglaries to automobiles in which car stereos have been stolen. The first series of burglaries occurred on the night of March 27, 2007 and into the early morning hours of March 28, 2007. Several of these burglaries have since been solved but the investigation is continuing into a second series of car burglaries that occurred on the evening of April 13, 2007 into the early morning hours of April 14, 2007. The vehicles were either parked in various parking lots around the city of Sheldon or in private driveways. However, in most of the situations the vehicles doors were left unlocked. Since there are still several burglaries that remain unsolved the O'Brien County Crime Dusters program is still offering a \$200 reward to anyone who provides information on these crimes that leads to the arrest and conviction of the offenders. You may provide information on this crime or any other crimes by calling the O'Brien County Sheriff's Office at 712-957-3415. Upon calling you will be put in contact with a police officer that will take your information. People can also

provide information or tips on crimes by using the "Hot Tip" link or "e-mail" button on the O'Brien County Sheriff's Office website of [www.obriencountysheriff.com](http://www.obriencountysheriff.com). Arrangements can be made to assist the people who want to remain anonymous but still be eligible for the reward. Law enforcement officers want to remind citizens that it's important to always lock your vehicle anytime it's left unattended.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: April 22, 2007

TIME: 1:45 a.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 3<sup>rd</sup> St SW & McCormack Ave, Primghar, IA.

DRIVER #1: Chad Centner age 32 of Archer, IA. No injuries. Unknown if protective devices worn. Centner was cited for OWI and Fail to Maintain Control.

VEHICLE #1: 2003 Dodge Ram Pickup, Estimate damage: \$10,000.00.

NARRATIVE: Centner was turning right from Green Ave to go west on 3<sup>rd</sup> St SW in Primghar. Centner over accelerated and lost control. Centner traveled the entire block and slid sideways through the intersection of McCormack and 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SW. Vehicle impacted the curb and broke off the right rear axle of the wheel and struck a tree with the passenger side of the truck.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: April 21, 2007

TIME: 5:55 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 3 1/2 SW of Primghar .4 miles west on 420th

DRIVER #1: Amber Hain, 16, Paullina, unknown if protective devices worn

VEHICLE #1: 1996 Dodge Interpid, \$2500 damage

NARRATIVE: Hain was eastbound on 420<sup>th</sup> street which is a gravel road. Hain lost control in the loose gravel and over corrected causing the car to cross a field drive and go into the south ditch causing heavy damage to the rear and side of the car. Hain was transported to Baum Harmon hospital by Primghar Ambulance.

FROM: Sheldon Police Dept.

DATE: April 20, 2007

SUBJECT: Arrests

Officers from the Sheldon Police Department, acting as members of the Iowa Great Lakes Drug Task Force, have filed charges on the following individuals: Samuel S. Skogman, age 37, from Hawarden, Iowa, was charged with delivery of more than 5 grams of methamphetamine, delivery of less than 5 grams of methamphetamine, and conspiracy to deliver more than 5 grams of methamphetamine. Skogman's charges are a result of crimes he committed while living at 518 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Apartment #4, in Sheldon, Iowa. The charges are enhanced as they occurred within 1000 feet of the Sheldon City Park. Skogman was arrested in Hawarden, Iowa, on April 11<sup>th</sup> after it was discovered that he was unlawfully in possession of methamphetamine at his residence. He was transported to the Sioux County Jail in Orange City, Iowa. He will be transported to the O'Brien County Jail after his Sioux County Charges are disposed of.

Ronald Vandom, age 36, address unknown, was charged with delivery of more than 5 grams of methamphetamine. Vandom's charge is enhanced as it occurred within 1000 feet of the Sheldon City Park. Vandom is currently in the Plymouth County Jail on other charges and will be transported to the O'Brien County Jail after his Plymouth County charges are disposed of.

Rae Lyn Paulson, age 28, from Ashton, Iowa, was charged with conspiracy to deliver more than 5 grams of methamphetamine. Paulson was arrested on April 17<sup>th</sup> in Sheldon, Iowa, on a warrant for her arrest for this charge. Additionally, she was found to be in possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia at the time of her arrest and was charged with these offenses as well. Paulson was transported to the O'Brien County Jail.

Kimberly L. Boneschans, age 39, from Sheldon, Iowa, was charged with conspiracy to deliver more than 5 grams of methamphetamine. Boneschans was presently at the O'Brien County Jail on other drug related charges at the time these new charges were filed.

Joshua A. McFadden, age 19, from Sheldon, Iowa, was charged with two counts of delivery of more than 5 grams of methamphetamine. One of these charges is enhanced as it occurred within 1000' of a Sheldon City Park. McFadden was arrested on April 18<sup>th</sup> at 504 16<sup>th</sup> Street in Sheldon, Iowa, on warrants for these charges and an earlier charge for possession of marijuana. He was transported to the O'Brien County Jail in Primghar, Iowa. These arrests were a result of a several month investigation into the illegal sales and possession of drugs in the Sheldon area. Additional arrests will be made as other offenders are located.

FROM: Sheldon Police Dept.

DATE: April 13, 2007

On 04-13-07 at approximately 7:20 P.M., Officers from the Sheldon Police Department and the O'Brien County Sheriffs Department, acting as members of the Iowa Great Lakes Drug Task Force, executed a search warrant at South 3rd Avenue in Sheldon, Iowa. Numerous persons were present at residence at the time of the search. A search of the home revealed that of the occupants were in possession of methamphetamine.

Kimberly L. Boneschans, age 39, who resides at that residence, was arrested for possession of methamphetamine, third or subsequent offense, possession of marijuana, and possession of drug paraphernalia. Joshua A. McFadden, age 19, who also resides at that residence, was not present at the time of the search. McFadden was later charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. Latasha M. Robertson, age 23, from Sioux City, Iowa, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia. Rae Lyn Paulson, age 28, from Ashton, Iowa, was arrested for possession methamphetamine with the intent to deliver, failure to possess the required Iowa Drug Tax Stamps, and possession of drug paraphernalia. Officers seized approximately one ounce of methamphetamine and approximately \$800 cash from the residence along with other items of evidentiary nature. Boneschans, Robertson, and Paulson were transported to the O'Brien County Jail in Primghar.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: April 11, 2007

TIME: 8:00 P.M.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 390<sup>th</sup> & Tyler Ave.

DRIVER #1: Thomas Wubben, Primghar, age 17, minor injuries, shoulder & lap belt used.

VEHICLE #1: 1985 Ford Tempo, \$1000.00 damage

OWNER #1: Scott Wubben, Primghar:

NARRATIVE: Wubben was west bound on 390<sup>th</sup> St. when the vehicle hit a small snow drift causing the driver to lose control on the slippery roads and enter the south ditch where the vehicle rolled onto its top.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: April 10, 2007

TIME: 3:29 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 390<sup>th</sup> St, .25 miles west of Silver Ave

DRIVER #1: Dennis Renes, Sioux Center, uninjured

VEHICLE #1: 1997 Chevy Blazer, \$1000 damage

DRIVER #2: Rhonda Westphal, Primghar, uninjured

VEHICLE #2: 2005 Dodge Caravan, \$1500

NARRATIVE: Both vehicles were westbound on B40 from Primghar when Westphal decided to do a U-turn on the roadway without looking for following traffic. Renes swerved to avoid collision but did collide with the front of Westphal's vehicle. Westphal attempted to gain control but was unsuccessful and entered the south ditch. Westphal was cited for unsafe turn.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: April 10, 2007

TIME: 06:45 AM

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: B40 1.8 miles east of Primghar

DRIVER #1: Ellen Wengert, Dakota Dunes, SD, uninjured

VEHICLE #1: 2005 Toyota 4-Runner

NARRATIVE: Wengert was eastbound on B40 when she lost control and slid into the north ditch. The vehicle continued and struck an embankment with its right side. Damage was estimated at \$5,000.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: April 8, 2007

TIME: 5:45 PM

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: Hwy 10 & Hwy 59 Junction north of Calumet

DRIVER #1: Julia Miller, age 16, from Ruthven, not injured, shoulder and lap belt used

VEHICLE #1: 1997 Cadillac, estimated cost to repair \$4,000

NARRATIVE: Miller slowed to make a left hand turn from Highway 10 onto Highway 59.

During the turn, Miller made too wide a turn and struck a street light pole breaking off the pole and damaging the vehicle.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff's Office, Primghar, IA

DATE: April 8, 2007

TIME: 4:24 P.M.

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 470<sup>th</sup> & Silver Ave

DRIVER #1: Scott Wise, age 45, of Paullina, no injuries, shoulder and lap belt used.

VEHICLE #1: 2004 Pontiac Grand Prix, damage \$4500.00

DRIVER #2: Randall Nieman, age 38, of Primghar, no injuries, shoulder and lap belt used.

Citation for Spilling Loads on Highway.

VEHICLE #2 1999 Ford Explorer, no damage, 2006 4-wheeler, damage \$650.00

NARRATIVE: Wise was eastbound on 470<sup>th</sup> St, Nieman was westbound on 470<sup>th</sup> pulling a small trailer with two motorcycles & one 4-wheeler. The 4-wheeler became unhooked off of the trailer and went into the roadway where it was struck by Wise.

FROM: Sanborn Police Department

DATE: March 27, 2007

**SUBJECT: Arrests**

The Sanborn Police Department assisted by the O'Brien County Sheriff's Office responded to a complaint of a group of younger males offering to sell a controlled substance on Main Street in Sanborn on March 23, 2007 around 10:30 p.m. The group of younger males was located and upon investigation Wade Michael Breyfogle, 17 of Arnolds Park was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance and Delivery of a Controlled Substance. He was later released to his parent and cited into Juvenile Court. Possession of Controlled subject carries a penalty of imprisonment in the county jail for not more than six months or by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars, or by both such fine and imprisonment for a first offense. Delivery of a Controlled Substance is a class "D" felony and carries a penalty of no more that seven thousand five hundred dollars and or 5 years confinement. No Sanborn residents were involved.

DATE: March 26, 2007

TIME: 7:53 AM

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: W Greene St & S Cannon St in Paullina

DRIVER #1: Allen Wayne DeVos, age 38, from Paullina. Lab and shoulder belt used. No injuries.

VEHICLE #1: 2004 Chrysler 300, approximate cost to repair \$3000.

DRIVER #2: N/A

VEHICLE #2: 1994 GMC Suburban belonging to Francis Hedinger from Paullina, approximate cost to repair \$1000. NARRATIVE: DeVos was eastbound and pulled away from a stop sign and struck Hedinger's vehicle that was legally parked.

DATE: March 24, 2007

TIME: 07:16

**SUBJECT: Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 470<sup>TH</sup> ST (HWY 10) AND TANAGER AVE (HWY 59)

DRIVER #1: Laura Heeren age 28, Paullina, No Injuries

VEHICLE #1: 1998 Chevy Venture, \$10,000 Damage

DRIVER #2: Brenda Newell, 49, Storm Lake, Not Injured

VEHICLE #2: 99 Dodge Caravan, \$7,500 Damage

NARRATIVE: Heeren was westbound on 470<sup>TH</sup> St. Newell was northbound on Hwy 59. Newell DID NOT SEE THE STOP SIGN DUE TO DENSE FOG AND As a result ran the stop sign directly in front of Heeren. Heeren swerved to the right and both vehicles collided in the intersection both vehicles collided in the intersection. The stop sign on the northwest corner of the intersection was knocked down in the process. A passenger in the Newell vehicle, Symond Newell, was transported by ambulance to the Baum-Harmon Mercy Medical Hospital by the Sutherland Ambulance.

DATE: March 20, 2007

TIME: 5:25 P.M.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: S Rerick & 1<sup>st</sup> St SE, Primghar

DRIVER #1: Michael Wright, age 25, of Primghar, no injuries

VEHICLE #1: 2002 Ford Econoline, no damage

OWNER #2: Jolene Specht of Paullina

VEHICLE #2: 1992 Plymouth Voyager, damage \$1500.00

NARRATIVE: Wright was backing out of a driveway and struck Specht's vehicle which was legally parked and unoccupied going east on 1<sup>st</sup> St. SE.

DATE: March 19, 2007

TIME: 7:45 AM

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 385<sup>th</sup> St & Sorrel Ave, east of Primghar

DRIVER #1: Leroy Hedinger, age 52, from Primghar. No injuries. Protective device not used.

VEHICLE #1: 1999 New Holland tractor pulling a drag. Approximate damage \$500.

DRIVER #2: Bertus DeRidder, age 58, from Primghar. No injuries. Protective device not used.

VEHICLE #2: 2002 Ford pickup. Approximate damage \$3000.

NARRATIVE: Hedinger was driving a 1999 New Holland tractor, a county maintenance implement, and pulling a drag. This vehicle had an orange flashing light that was flashing at the time of the accident. Hedinger was headed south on Sorrel Ave and attempted to make a U-turn at 385<sup>th</sup> St to proceed in the opposite direction. DeRidder, driving a 2002 Ford pickup, had been following Hedinger headed south on Sorrel Ave. DeRidder thought that Hedinger was turning right onto 385<sup>th</sup> St. DeRidder continued south through the intersection and was struck in the right front side by the tractor as Hedinger turned across Sorrel Ave.

FROM: O'Brien County Sheriff

DATE: March 16, 2007

SUBJECT: **Burglary Investigation**

The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office is investigating a burglary of several power hand tools and a pressure washer totaling over \$4,000. were stolen from a hog confinement facility northeast of Hartley. The burglary is believed to have occurred between Sunday March 11, 2007 and Thursday morning March 15, 2007. The power hand tools were Craftsman, Makita and DeWalt

brand. The Crime Dusters program is offering a **\$ 200.00 reward** to anyone who provides information on this crime that leads to the arrest and conviction of the offender.

You may provide information on this crime or any other crimes can do so by calling the O'Brien County Sheriff's Office at 712-957-3415. Upon calling you will be put in contact with a Deputy Sheriff who will take your information. People can also provide information or tips on crimes by using the "Hot Tip" link or "e-mail" button on this website. Arrangements can be made to assist the people who want to remain anonymous but still be eligible for the reward.

DATE: March 14, 2007

TIME: 10:42 a.m.

SUBJECT: **LOCAL SCAM – "BAIL EM OUT"**

A local O'Brien County resident from Sheldon was recently scammed involving a "family member allegedly who was in trouble with the police and needed money to get out of it".

Here is how the scam worked: The resident received a phone call from a male caller and the voice asked "grandma" of which the resident replied with what she believed to be the caller's grandson. The "grandson" then said he and another friend got into trouble in Canada and needed \$3,000 cash to get out of it. The caller then said to get the needed cash to a Wal-Mart and get a money-gram of which she did. The money was sent and later the "grandma" determined, after calling her grandson, found the grandson had not been in trouble. By the time they tried to stop the money transfer it had already been done. Sheldon Police Department are investigating the incident.

DATE: March 10, 2007

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: ¼ mile south of 480<sup>th</sup> St on Highway 10 Blvd

DRIVER #1: Gary Axdahl, age 54, from Linn Grove, no injuries, shoulder and lap belt were used

VEHICLE #1: 2006 Ford F150 Crew Cab

NARRATIVE: Axdahl was northbound on Highway 10 Blvd when he became distracted while using his cell phone. Axdahl went off onto the shoulder and then into the ditch causing his vehicle to roll and come to a rest on its roof.

DATE: March 1, 2007

TIME: 08:45 a.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 3 ½ miles southeast of Primghar on Starling Ave.

DRIVER #1: Kevin Groen age 56 of Hartley, IA. No injuries. Lap and shoulder belt used.

VEHICLE #1: 2000 Peterbuilt Semi Tractor Trailer, estimate damage \$45,000.00

NARRATIVE: Groen was in a tractor-trailer semi hauling a full load of feed. Groen was unable to see the roadway due to whiteout conditions. Groen entered the west ditch and laid over in its side.

DATE: February 28, 2007

TIME: 5:36 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 420<sup>th</sup> & Silver Ave

DRIVER #1: Nicole Wede age 26 of Paullina, minor injuries, transported to Baum Harmon by - private vehicle.

VEHICLE #1: 2002 Ford Explorer \$7000 damage

NARRATIVE: Wede was southbound on Highway 59 and lost control after meeting a northbound semi on icy road. Wede spun around and entered west ditch, rolled on time and came to rest on its wheels.

DATE: February 20, 2007

TIME: 11:40 AM

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 1<sup>st</sup> ST SE & S Hayes Ave, Primghar

OWNER#1: Nicholas Hemauer of Sanborn

VEHICLE #1: 2003 Volkswagon, \$2500 damage

DRIVER #2: Larry Bolton, age 75, of Sioux City, no injuries, unknown if seatbelt was worn

VEHICLE #2: 2000 Chevrolet, no damage

NARRATIVE: The Hemauer vehicle was legally parked on the north side of 1<sup>st</sup> ST SE facing west. The Bolton vehicle was headed west on 1<sup>st</sup> ST SE and attempted to pull into the parking spot in front of the Hemauer vehicle. The right front bumper of the Bolton vehicle caught the left front corner of the Hemauer vehicle.

DATE: February 20, 2007

TIME: 9:00 pm

SUBJECT: Multiple burglaries arrest.

The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office has arrested a 48-year-old Marlyn Dale VanTol of Sanborn on multiple counts of 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burglary for his role in numerous residential burglaries in northern O'Brien County. The arrest stems from a two and one half month investigation into numerous reports from O'Brien County residents that reported various amounts of cash taken from their residences. In each of the burglaries the victim's home was not locked.

On February 20, 2007 Marlyn Dale VanTol of Sanborn was booked into the O'Brien County Jail and later appeared before O'Brien County Magistrate Jeffrey Queck on four counts of 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burglary to residences, and one count of 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burglary to a vehicle. Magistrate Queck set an unsecured appearance bond of \$48,750 and VanTol was then released from the jail. The burglary charges involving residences are Class D felonies and the burglary charge involving the vehicle is an aggravated misdemeanor. Each of the felony charges carries a penalty of five years in prison and up to a \$7,500 fine. The aggravated misdemeanor charge carries a penalty of two years in prison and up to a \$5,000 fine. The Sanborn Police Department assisted in the investigation. The O'Brien County Sheriff's Office encourages residents to practice good crime prevention by routinely locking their doors when they are away from their residences.

Note: Suspect (s) are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

DATE: February 19, 2007

TIME: 5:50 a.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: Hwy 60 Bypass

DRIVER #1: Ashok Kewalramani, age 56, of Dakota Dunes, S. D. No injuries. Seat belt worn.

VEHICLE #1: 1991 Mercedes, \$6000 damage

NARRATIVE: Kewalramani passed a slower moving vehicle and lost control of vehicle after hitting a patch of ice. Kawalramani's vehicle rolled approximately 5 times in the east ditch.

DATE: February 17, 2007

TIME: 03:45 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 4065 Vine Ave

DRIVER #1: Daniel Robert Schubert, age 55 of Sutherland. No injuries. Seat belt worn.

VEHICLE #1: 1996 Ford Explorer, \$1500.00 damage

OWNER #1: Kendall Lee Rickett, age 48 of Sutherland

PASSENGER: Deanna Marie Craven, age 45 of Sutherland. No injuries.

NARRATIVE: Rickett's vehicle driven by Schubert lost control on ice spun 180 degrees entering west ditch backwards and rolled onto the passenger side.

DATE: February 9, 2007

TIME: 11:05 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 470<sup>th</sup> & Roosevelt, Paullina, Iowa

DRIVER #1: Justin Michael Rausch age 26 of Paullina, Iowa. No injuries. No protection devices worn.

VEHICLE #1: 2002 Ford Pickup Estimated Damage \$7000.00 Value of Calves: \$6500.00

NARRATIVE: Rausch was east bound and struck twelve calves walking in the roadway heading east also. Due to the calves being black in color and walking east, Rausch had inadequate time to avoid the animals.

DATE: February 4, 2007

TIME: 5:35 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 6043 490<sup>th</sup> Street, Paullina, IA.

DRIVER #1: Cory Timm age 24 of Primghar, IA. Shoulder and lap belt used. No injuries.

VEHICLE #1: 1997 Chevy Pickup Estimate damage: \$1,000.00

DRIVER #2: Taylor Schroeder age 16 of Sutherland, IA. Shoulder and lap belt used. No injuries. Citation for Failure to Yield Entering Roadway

VEHICLE #2: 1995 Mercury Sable Estimate damage: \$2,500.00

NARRATIVE: Timm was traveling eastbound when Schroeder approached from a private driveway and failed to yield upon entering a roadway, causing Schroeder to collide with Timm.

DATE: January 23, 2007

TIME: 10:15 AM

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: West edge of Paullina on Highway 10

DRIVER #1: Duwayne Henry Pauling, age 75 .No injuries, seatbelts used

VEHICLE #1: Gray 1999 Toyota Camry, vehicle received \$4,000.00 damage  
DRIVER #2: James David Frisbee, age 53. No injuries, seatbelts used  
VEHICLE #2: 2007 Peterbilt Tractor, pulling a semi-trailer. Vehicle received no damage  
NARRATIVE: Frisbee was slowing down to begin a left turn into a business drive. Before Frisbee was stopped, Pauling tried to stop as well, but slid on the snow covered roadway, and collided into the rear of Frisbee's vehicle. Both drivers pulled off the highway to wait for law enforcement.

DATE: January 16, 2007

TIME: 10:05 AM

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: City of Calumet, IA

DRIVER #1: Maureen Kruse, age 57, no injuries

VEHICLE #1: Black 2001 GMC Yukon, received \$1,500.00 damage.

DRIVER #2: Theresa Partridge, age 22, no injuries

VEHICLE #2: White 1995 Pontiac Bonneville, received \$1,750.00 damage.

NARRATIVE: Kruse was westbound on W. Second Street when she was struck by Partridge. Partridge was unable to get stopped at the intersection because of roadway conditions.

DATE: January 16, 2007

TIME: 11:35 a.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 4<sup>th</sup> St N.E & Welch Avenue in Primghar, IA.

DRIVER #1: Tanya Ginger age 27 of Primghar. No injuries. Lap and shoulder belt used.

VEHICLE #1: 2004 Chrysler Town & Country Van. Estimate damage: \$3,000.00

DRIVER #2: Elwood Koehlmoos age 79 of Primghar, IA. Lap and shoulder belt used. Cited for Failure to Yield.

VEHICLE #2: 1998 Ford Windstar Van. Estimate damage: \$4,000.00

NARRATIVE: Ginger was headed west on 4<sup>th</sup> Street N.E. when it was struck on the right side by Koehlmoos who was headed south on Welch Avenue. Koehlmoos failed to yield at the yield sign as he crossed 4<sup>th</sup> Street N.E.

DATE: January 10, 2007

TIME: 9:50 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: 4.5 miles east of Hartley on Hwy 18

DRIVER: Michael L. Olsen, 54, of Omaha, NE. Uninjured. Lap and shoulder belt used.

VEHICLE: 2006 Ford van, \$2000 damage

NARRATIVE: Olsen was eastbound on Hwy 18 when he struck a deer in the roadway causing the vehicle to be disabled.

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DATE: January 2, 2007

TIME: 9:25 p.m.

SUBJECT: **Traffic Accident**

LOCATION: South Willow and West Groesbeck in Paullina, IA.

DRIVER #1: Abby DeRidder age 15 of Primghar. No injuries. Unknown if protective devices worn.

VEHICLE #1: 1996 Jeep Cherokee SUV Estimate damage: \$100.00

DRIVER #2: Kaleb Syndergaard age 18 of Sutherland. No injuries. Unknown if protective devices worn.

VEHICLE #2: 1998 Chevy Monte Carlo Estimate damage: \$1,500.00

NARRATIVE: DeRidder backed up into Syndergaard. DeRidder could not stop due to the ice on the road.