



PRESS RELEASE

Case #14-512200

Homeowner Fires Gun to Stop Fleeing DUI Driver after Crash

August 8, 2014—Sheriff's Deputies arrested a man for DUI and other charges after a homeowner fired a handgun in close proximity to keep him from fleeing after a crash.

On August 7, 2014, at 11:16 p.m., Washington County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a disturbance at a residence located in the 17800 block of SW Hillsboro Highway in the community of Scholls. A vehicle reportedly crashed onto the property and was attempted to flee the scene when the homeowner fired a gun to stop the driver from leaving.



Jeep Tire Marks Leaving Roadway



Hunter Tintera

Multiple Sheriff's Deputies responded and were able to quickly secure the scene and confirm that there were no injuries. Deputies found Hunter Tintera, 27, from Newberg, was driving a 2003 Jeep Liberty when he failed to negotiate a curve on SW Hillsboro Highway. He left the road and crashed on 58 year-old James Attaway's property. There was substantial damage to a fence, tree and yard caused by the Jeep.

Mr. Attaway reportedly heard the commotion and went outside with a high caliber handgun. It was learned that Mr. Tintera reportedly attempted to flee the scene in the Jeep and drove through Mr. Attaway's property coming within a few feet of the house. Hunter Tintera's Jeep sustained heavy front end damage and two flat tires making it difficult to operate. It was reported that Mr. Attaway fired his handgun into the ground repeatedly until Mr. Tintera stopped the Jeep and complied with his commands.

Deputies believe alcohol and speed were contributing factors in this crash. James Attaway's involvement will be sent to the Washington County District Attorney for charging consideration.

Hunter Dewolf Tintera was arrested and lodged in the Washington County Jail. He was charged with DUI and Criminal Mischief. He was held on \$5,000 bail and has since been released.

Citizens are reminded that if they see illegal activity and if possible, to move to an area that is safe and call 911 to report the incident.