



# **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

Case Number: 2016-2006, 2016-2007

Date/Time of Incident: 12:31pm (2016-2006) and 1:59pm (2016-2007)

Date/Time of Release: 08/26/16 @ 4:45pm

Location: Bohemia Park (2016-2006) and Wal-Mart (2016-2007)

Incident: Arson, Reckless Burning, Criminal Mischief

Arrested Person: Three juvenile males, each 15 years of age

Details: On 08/26/16 at about 12:31pm, Cottage Grove Police Department and South Lane Rural Fire District responded to Bohemia Park in Cottage Grove regarding a report of a fire in the public restroom. The fire was quickly extinguished after doing some damage to the facility. Later, at about 1:59pm, CGPD and SLRFD responded to a grass fire to the south of the Cottage Grove Wal-Mart store. The fire was estimated to be approximately 800 square feet in size when, fortunately, there happened to be an Oregon Department of Forestry water tanker in the area which was able to be deployed very quickly before the fire could spread to nearby homes and an apartment complex. After a brief investigation, CGPD arrested three juvenile males, each 15 years of age, involved in both fires. They are to be lodged at the Serbu Youth Detention Center for charges of Arson, Reckless Burning, Criminal Mischief, and Conspiracy.

Case officers are Officer Shawn Branstetter and Officer Matt Walker.

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