

NEWS RELEASE



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CASE NUMBER: 09-5310

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NATURE OF STORY: Gunshot Wound Investigation

LOCATION: Camp Rujada Campground, 40700 block of Laying Creek Road East of Cottage Grove

INVOLVED: Schoonover, Donald Ray
DOB: 12-02-1970 - Creswell

Swanson, Sean Edward
DOB: 09-13-1968 - Cottage Grove

DETAILS:

Lane County Sheriff's Office deputies were dispatched to a reported single vehicle crash in the area of Lower Brice Creek and Laying Creek roads. While enroute to the crash, deputies received a call of a dispute involving a firearm at nearby Rujada Campground. Before deputies arrived at the campground it was reported a person had been shot.

Deputies contacted Schoonover as he was leaving the area of the campground on foot. Schoonover was found to have received a gunshot wound to a leg and was transported by medical personnel to Sacred Heart Medical Center – Riverbend.

Deputies then contacted Swanson as he was leaving the campground and determined Swanson was the person who fired a weapon, striking Schoonover.

Information obtained from the involved persons and witnesses indicates Schoonover was intoxicated, crashed the vehicle he was driving near the campground, walked to the campground and became involved in a dispute with persons in the camp attended by Swanson. During the dispute Swanson retrieved a handgun and fired several shots, one of which struck Schoonover. There is no indication Schoonover knew Swanson nor any of the persons at Swanson's camp.

Schoonover remains at Sacred Heart Medical Center – Riverbend where he is receiving treatment for non life-threatening injuries from the crash and gunshot wound.

Sheriff's detectives are continuing the investigation and no arrests have been made. The incident report will be submitted to the District Attorney's Office for review when the investigation is complete.

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