

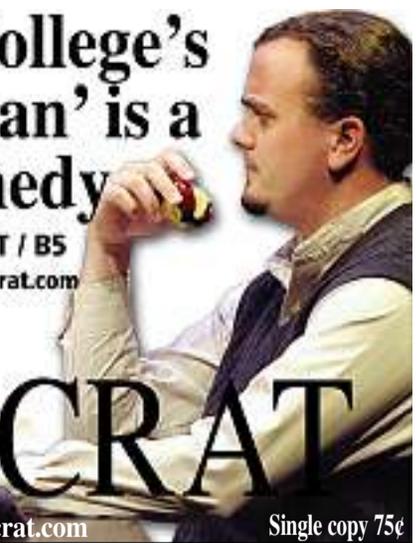


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WANTED FOR FIRST-DEGREE MURDER

Manhunt ends in Yuba



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CHP Officer Duane Nokes takes David Joseph Pedersen into custody Wednesday following a traffic stop on Marysville Road and Gettys Court in Yuba County. Pedersen and girlfriend Holly Ann Grigsby were arrested without incident. The couple are wanted on first-degree murder for a stabbing in Washington state.

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A three-state manhunt ended in rural Yuba County on Wednesday with the arrest of an Oregon couple wanted for murder.

David Joseph Pedersen, 31, and his girlfriend, Holly Ann Grigsby, 24, were wanted for first-degree murder in the stabbing death of a 69-year-old Washington state woman and are also being investigated in the death of a 19-year-old Oregon man, whose car they were driving at the time of the arrest. They were booked into Yuba County Jail without bail.

California Highway Patrol Officer Terry Uhrich was driving south on Marysville Road at 1:06 p.m. Wednesday when he saw a 1999 white Plymouth Breeze pulled over on the shoulder and a woman standing outside the vehicle. He asked if she needed help and she said she was stretching, so he pulled away.

As he drove away, he remembered a "be-on-the-look-out" bulletin that went out for a similar-looking stolen vehicle, driven by armed and dangerous murder suspects. He turned

around, passed the vehicle again and called in the license plates, which were confirmed to be linked to a homicide.

Uhrich called for backup and followed the vehicle for two miles until it pulled over into Gettys Court, and the couple were arrested without incident. Three firearms were in the vehicle, some within reach and some loaded, said CHP Officer Duane Nokes.

The weeklong manhunt began Sept. 28 when Pedersen's stepmother, Leslie Pedersen, 69, was found dead in her Everett, Wash., home with her hands tied with duct tape and a bloody pillow wrapped around her head. Police said Tuesday they had probable cause to arrest David Joseph Pedersen and Grigsby on murder charges.

"It's a huge relief to all of us that our two suspects are in custody," Everett police Sgt. Robert Goetz told The Herald newspaper of Everett on Wednesday.

"A vicious, vile reign of terror that's affected the west coast of the United States has come to an end," Yamhill County Sheriff's Capt. Ken Summers said at a Wednesday news conference in Salem. "The predators are off the street."

Leslie Pedersen's husband, David Jones Pedersen, 56, remains missing since Sept. 26, as is the

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\$200 GIFT CARDS

Hotel fire victims given donation

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Efforts to put out a fire at a bar and neighboring residential hotel on Sept. 24 created flooding at the Frank M. Booth Inc. headquarters on C Street.

But executives at the design and construction contracting company say they are grateful their building survived.

They have donated a \$200 Walmart gift card to each of 27 former residents of the Travelers Hotel who were left temporarily homeless by the fire.

"It was a last-minute surprise,

said Charles Johnston, who had been the hotel's manager. "One of the guys (from the company) stopped me when I was out at the site and said, 'We just want to do something for you.'"

Johnston had been organizing efforts to find homes for the stranded residents. He handed out most of the gift cards Sept. 29 at a temporary Red Cross shelter, and delivered the rest.

Mary Langsdorf, administrative and information technology manager at Booth Inc., said she and others who work in the com-

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HOME INVASION ROBBERS STILL AT LARGE

Richland residents cautious

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The night after a home invasion robbery on a quiet south Yuba City street, neighbors were extra cautious about strangers on their doorstep, and at least one said he planned to take greater precautions.

"I'm putting up cameras," said Devinder Dhese, 40, who lives across Richland Road from the home the Sutter County Sheriff's Department said was robbed at gunpoint Tuesday night.

"I've got kids, my parents here. It's scary when you hear these kinds of things."

According to a department spokeswoman, two masked men rang the doorbell at about 8:30 p.m. Tuesday at a home on the 1500 block of Richland, then forced their way inside and tied up a couple, a pair of retired doctors, before ransacking the home and taking a 2011 Lexus.

The Sheriff's Department found the stolen car Wednesday afternoon in the 3700 block of O'Banion Road, but where the robbers went from there wasn't clear, and they



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