



Newport Police Department

169 SW Coast Highway
Newport, Oregon 97365

NPD MEDIA RELEASE

01/08/2011 4:47 p.m.

Incident: Bomb Threats **Case #: 11N-00034**

Location: Newport, Oregon

Date/Time: 01/07/2011 at 11:50 a.m.

Victim: LinCom, City of Newport

Suspect: Beeberger, Wayne Leroy age 52 of Waldport

Details: On 01/07/2011 at 1:30 p.m., the Newport Police Department responded to a bomb threat at the Lincoln County Communications Agency (LinCom). The threat had been received on their 911 emergency phone line. LinCom and surrounding business were evacuated; a perimeter was established for safety. After an extensive search of the area, no bombs or explosives were found. Over the next few hours the caller made additional threats that he had placed a shrapnel charge at Newport City Hall, and that he was going to "gas" the Lincoln County Jail.

Newport Police Officers, OSP Troopers, and Lincoln County Sheriff Deputies worked together to determine the phone calls were coming from Beeberger. They attempted to locate him at his residence.

Beeberger continued making threats to LINCOM throughout the early morning and afternoon of 01/08/2011. At 4:47 p.m., the Lincoln County Sheriff Office detained Beeberger in the Wakanda Beach Road area. Beeberger was transported to the Lincoln County Jail where he was arrested by Newport Police Officers, and charged with multiple counts of Disorderly Conduct I, Making a False Report, and Misuse of 911.

The Newport Police Department would like to remind people to be aware of their surroundings, and to report suspicious objects or people to the appropriate authorities.

Anyone with information regarding these events should contact Newport Police Officer France at 541-574-3348.

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