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OLCC issues 22 sanctions for liquor law violations

PORTLAND, Ore. - At their monthly meeting Aug. 14, the commissioners of the Oregon Liquor Control Commission ratified the following 22 sanctions to Oregon licensees.

E San Thai Cuisine 2nd Avenue Bar & Grill, *133 SW 2nd Ave., Portland,* is being sanctioned for two separate incidents of permitting an employee to sell, mix, or serve alcoholic beverages, or supervise those who do without a valid service permit. Licensee will serve a 30-day suspension for one incident and will pay a civil penalty of \$3,795 or serve a 23-day suspension as part of a stipulated settlement for the other incident. Licensees are Sackpaseuth Pathammavong and Thavill Paphay of E-San Thai Cuisine, Inc.

Oregon Mini Mart, 2684 South Santiam Hwy, Lebanon, has paid a civil penalty of \$4,950 for corporate principals Sona Athwal aka Ranjit Singh and Jaswant Sranna permitting unlawful activity when they unlawfully distributed cigarettes on the licensed premises. Singh and Sranna were convicted of a Class A Misdemeanor for unlawful distribution of cigarettes. Licensees are Sona Athwal aka Ranjit Singh and Jaswant Sranna of JSRS, Inc.

Old Mill Martini Bar, *360 SW Powerhouse Dr.*, *Bend*, will pay a \$4,950 civil penalty or serve a 30-day suspension for failing to maintain liquor liability insurance or a bond with a corporate surety in the amount of not less than \$300,000. Licensees are James Kitchens and Michael Moor of Pomfret Cuisine, Inc.

Geno's Grill, 3035 NE Kane Dr., Gresham, will pay a civil penalty of \$1,815 or serve an 11-day suspension for permitting a minor to be on the licensed premises or in an area prohibited to minors. Licensee is Jason Thiel of Jason Thiel, LLC.

Guild's Lake Inn, 3271 NW 29th Ave., Portland, will serve a 30-day suspension for member Brian McAdams being convicted of a Class C Felony for unlawful use of a weapon by attempting to use unlawfully against another or carrying or possessing with intent to use unlawfully against another. This felony crime involved harm or threat of harm. Licensee is Brian McAdams of Guild's Lake, LLC.

Sapphire Lounge, 3743 Commercial St. SE, Salem, will pay a civil penalty of \$3,465 or serve a 21-day suspension for failure to verify the age of a minor before allowing him to be in an area of the licensed premises that is prohibited to minors and for failure to verify the age of a minor before allowing her to buy or be served an alcoholic beverage when she reasonably appeared to be under 26 years of age. Licensees are Mark Garcia and Molly Garcia of Big Boi, LLC.

Timbers Bar & Grill East, 2570 NE Twin Knolls Drive, #100, Bend, entered a stipulated settlement agreement and will pay a civil penalty of \$1,485 or serve a nine-day suspension for employees drinking while on duty at the licensed premises. Licensees are Thomas Fieland and Matthew Traxler of Bootsy, LLC.

La Bodega Wine & Beer, 1325 NE Fremont, Portland, will pay a civil penalty of \$1,485 or serve a nine-day suspension as part of a stipulated settlement because Jonathan Jenkins drank alcoholic beverages while on duty at the licensed premises. Licensees are Amber Browne and Jonathan Jenkins of Browne & Jenkins, LLC.

Top of the Hill Tavern, *9252 NE Glisan, Portland,* will pay a civil penalty of \$990 or serve a six-day suspension as part of a stipulated settlement for permitting disorderly activity when two employees engaged in a verbal and physical argument on the licensed premises. Licensees are Ralph Tidwell, Dennis Ashby and Sandra Tidwell of Sam's Hospitality, Inc.

Countryman Public House, 1405 Mill Street, Silverton, will pay a \$4,620 civil penalty or serve a 28-day suspension for employees failing to verify the age of a minor before allowing him to buy or be served an alcoholic beverage when he reasonably appeared to be under 26 years of age as well as permitting two employees to sell, mix or serve alcoholic beverages, or supervise those who do, without a valid service permit. Licensees are Kathy Countryman and Susan Countryman.

The following licensees were sanctioned for an employee(s) failing to verify the age of a minor before allowing him/her to buy or be served an alcoholic beverage when he/she reasonably appeared to be under 26:

Shanghai Steakery, *16 NW Broadway*, *Portland*, will serve a 68-day suspension or pay a civil penalty of \$4,950 and serve a 38-day suspension for two violations. Licensee will also be removed from the Responsible Vendor Program. Licensee is Timmy Tso of TKT, Inc.

Mi Tiendita Mini Market Deli, 803 N. Main Street, Prineville, will pay a civil penalty of \$1,650 or serve a tenday suspension. Licensee will also be removed from the Responsible Vendor Program. Licensees are Ricardo Martinez and Esperanza Corona.

Smoker Friendly #2, 5135 River Road North, Keizer, will pay a civil penalty of \$2,475 or serve a 15-day suspension. Licensee is James D. Trenary of James D. Trenary, Inc.

D&M Little Brick Deli, 16735 SW Pacific Highway, Tigard, will serve a 32-day suspension or pay a civil penalty of \$4,950 and serve a two-day suspension. Licensees are Marie Kahng and Chang Soo Kang.

Shell 504, *1410 SE Highway 101, Lincoln City,* will serve a 32-day suspension or pay a civil penalty of \$4,950 and serve a two-day suspension. Licensee will be removed from the Responsible Vendor Program. Licensee is member American Retail Services, LLC of ARS-Fresno, LLC.

Blue Pepper Gallery, 241 Commercial St. NE, Salem, will pay a civil penalty of \$1,485 or serve a nine-day suspension as part of a stipulated settlement agreement. Licensees are Derek Finholt, James Finholt, Christi Finholt and Donald Korn of Forgotten Images, Inc.

Airport Heights Market, 2750 Virginia Ave., North Bend, will pay a civil penalty of \$1,485 or serve a nine-day suspension as part of a stipulated settlement. Licensee is Anthony Crane of Mallex, LLC.

Abby's Legendary Pizza of Albany, 3033 Santiam Hwy, Albany, have purchased age verification equipment in lieu of serving a suspension or paying a civil penalty as part of a stipulated settlement agreement. Licensee will also accept a letter of reprimand for this violation that will become part of the licensee's permanent OLCC record. Licensees are Richard Feldheim, Bert Mills Sinclair and Abby's, Inc. of A-II, LLC.

Salmon Run Golf Course, 99040 SB Chetco River Road, Brookings, will pay a civil penalty of \$1,485 or serve a nine-day suspension as part of a stipulated settlement. Licensees are Peter Pavich and Steven Muir of The Claveran Group, LLC.

The following licensees were sanctioned for permitting an employee(s) to sell, mix, or serve alcohol, or supervise those who do, without a service permit:

Historic Springdale Pub & Eatery, 32302 East Crown Point Highway, Corbett, will receive a letter of reprimand because the licensee's interest in the license has been transferred and the licensee no longer holds a liquor license. The letter of reprimand will become part of the licensee's permanent OLCC file. Licensees were James F. Warren and Diane L. Warren of Warren Technology Center, LLC.

Mt. Hood Lanes, 2311 E. Powell Blvd, Gresham, will pay a civil penalty of \$1,980 or serve a 12-day suspension. Licensee is Robert A. Lamb of Mt. Hood Lanes, Inc.

The five citizen commissioners are the policy-making body of the OLCC. They meet monthly for one or two days to make decisions on liquor licenses, rules, contested case hearings and appointments of liquor store agents. Commission meetings are held every other month at OLCC's main office, 9079 SE McLoughlin

Blvd., Room 103A in Portland. Subsequent months, the meetings will be held via phone. Agenda items can be obtained on-line at http://www.oregon.gov/OLCC/public meetings.shtml

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