

# Community Newsletter

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## Celebrate the Holidays Safely



I would like to send my best wishes to you all for health and happiness during the holiday season and throughout the years ahead. As we celebrate Christmas this week, I hope we will remember the concepts of peace on earth and goodwill to others.

As so many people take to their automobiles, traveling locally and out-of-state to visit friends and relatives, shopping, and just driving around enjoying the Christmas lights, it is easy to become distracted. Let's be extra careful to look out for the other guy. Nothing ruins the season quicker than accidents and injuries on the roadways.

Also, do not drink and drive. If you become impaired from alcohol or drugs and get behind the wheel of an automobile, you will be placing yourself and others at great risk. If you are driving while impaired and get pulled over by a law enforcement officer, it can cost you your freedom and hefty fines in court. A DUI arrest can also result in increased insurance premiums and put a blot on your driving record.

Every aspect of drinking and driving carries possible negative results. If you

will consider the risks, you will realize it is simply not worth it. Too many innocent people have lost their lives on our roadways because of the diminished abilities of a drunk driver. Surely someone in your group can abstain from alcohol for one night and serve as a designated driver. If not, then perhaps you could take it upon yourself to be that designated driver.

Remembering to designate a sober driver before the party begins is just one of several, simple steps to help avoid a tragic crash or an arrest for impaired driving during the holiday season. Other important reminders include:

Never get behind the wheel of your vehicle if you've been out drinking; If impaired, call a taxi, call a sober friend or family member to come and get you or, just stay where you are and sleep it off until you are sober;

If you are hosting a party this holiday season, offer alcohol-free beverages during the event, and make sure all of your guests leave with a sober driver;

If you happen to see a drunk driver on the road, don't hesitate to contact your local law enforcement;

And remember, *Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk*. Take the keys and never let a friend leave your sight if you think they are about to drive while impaired.

Again, my best wishes to all during the Christmas season and throughout the coming year.

## Stay Safe When Shopping Online



This year many residents of Douglas County will be doing their holiday shopping with a click of the mouse. But before you start clicking and hand over your credit card info, here are several steps to protect yourself.

Before you begin shopping, make sure your computer has the most recent updates installed for spam filters, anti-virus and anti-spyware software, and you have a secure firewall. Do your shopping from a secure network and NEVER use public wi-fi or a public computer for financial transactions.

Always use a secure connection which contains https:// in the address bar of your browser. This along with a key or closed padlock at the bottom right of your browser window or in the address bar indicates information being transmitted is secure. An extra note of caution - be careful when typing in a URL. Sometimes the hackers use misspellings of legitimate sites to trick folks into thinking they are on the correct site.

Use unique and strong passwords for each site. They should consist of numbers, letters (both upper and lower case) and special characters. Don't make it easy for the hackers to guess. Also, don't use the "Remember Me" check box or allow your browser to save your passwords.

Shop at web sites you trust. Read reviews on the company and if you are not familiar with them, dig a little deeper and check out their reputation online. Shoppers should start with Better Business Bureau to check on the seller's reputation and record for customer satisfaction. Always look for the BBB seal and other widely-recognized "trustmarks" on retailer

websites and click on the seals to confirm that they are valid. Always be aware of who you are dealing with.

Stay in control of the "shopping cart" and check out process. Never use an ATM/Debit type card. Always use a credit card because credit cards offer you the most buyer protections. Under federal law, you can dispute the charges if you do not receive the item. You also have dispute rights if there are unauthorized charges on your credit card. Many card issuers have "zero liability" policies which will protect you if your credit card number is stolen. If you use PayPal, don't link to your checking account which could be cleaned out. Link your PayPal account to a credit card.

Some companies offer the convenience of saving your credit card information. Don't do this! There are plenty of stories of company databases containing customer's private information that have been lost or stolen. Protect yourself and your finances by not leaving your information behind on any site.

Review the company's return and refund policies. Be clear on shipping costs and any restocking fees. If they are not clear, get on a chat or call the company to get the clarity you need. Hidden fees in freight and handling can get expensive.

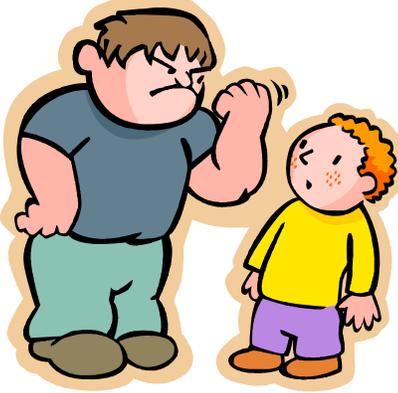
Keep documentation of your order. Print out your receipts and emails confirming order numbers and keep them organized with your other financial records. You may need them for returns and exchanges.

Get the shipping details and the tracking numbers. This time of year, it is important to track shipments, especially if you may not be home when a package arrives. With online tracking, it is easy to keep up with your purchase and arrange to be there when it arrives.

If you need to file a complaint about a fraudulent business practice contact the Federal Trade Commission at 1-877-FTC-HELP (382-4357). Online, visit [www.ftc.gov](http://www.ftc.gov) and click on "Consumer Protection."

We at the Douglas County Sheriff's Office want to wish you the best of the season and in that spirit, remind you to stay safe while shopping online.

## Bully Prevention



Many kids are embarrassed to be bullied and may not tell their parents or another adult right away. If your child comes to you and asks for help with a bully, take it seriously. Many times, if kids aren't taken seriously the first time they ask

for help, they won't ask again.

Even if your child doesn't turn to you for help, you can watch for these warning signs that he or she is being bullied. Kids who are bullied often experience withdrawal, loss of friends, a drop in grades, loss of interest in activities he or she previously enjoyed, torn clothing, bruises, a need for extra money or supplies. If you think your child is being bullied or if your child has told you that he or she is being bullied, you can help. Parents are often the best resource to build a child's self-confidence and teach him or her how to best solve problems. Here are a few ways you can help:

Talk to your child's teacher about it instead of confronting the bully's parents. If the teacher doesn't act to stop the bullying, talk to the principal.

Teach your child nonviolent ways to deal with bullies, like walking away, playing with friends, or talking it out.

Help your child practice acting with self-confidence: walking upright, looking people in the eye, and speaking clearly.

Don't encourage your child to fight. This could lead to him or her getting hurt, getting in trouble, and beginning more serious problems with the bully.

Involve your child in activities outside of school. This way he or she can make friends in a different social circle.

Most of the time when kids witness bullying, they stand by passively. This may cause bullying to last longer as it reinforces the bully's power and status, two reasons that people bully.

Research shows that most kids don't want to watch bullying and don't want it to happen. Many kids worry

that by stepping in they might become the next victim. This worry and witnessing verbal and physical abuse takes a toll on bystanders. Many kids feel helpless and guilty and do not feel safe where bullying takes place.

Standing up to peers is a hard thing to do for people of all ages. But you can make it easier for kids by giving them the confidence and the support they need to do so. Here are some ways parents can help children develop these traits:

Teach children to be assertive. Emphasize peaceful ways to solve problems and encourage kids to stand up for themselves verbally, not violently.

Show kids safe ways to help others. Make it clear that you expect kids to take action if they see someone being hurt, or if they are hurt themselves.

Hold kids accountable. If children stand by and watch someone being bullied, make it clear that their behavior hurts the victim too.

Get to know their friends. Encourage your children to invite their friends to your home or accompany you on family outings.

Be a good example. If you see someone being bullied or hurt, help them.

Build empathy in your kids. If you see examples of people being bullied or hurt in movies, television, or books, talk with your children about how these people must feel. Ask your children how they would feel in that situation and what they would do to make it better. Point out ways characters helped out, or didn't, and have your children think up different ways to help.

Help them develop social skills. From a young age, encourage your children to play with others and to be friends with many different people. Have them spend time with people of different ages, backgrounds, races, ethnicities, religions, and mental and physical abilities.

By empowering our children and taking a stand, we can make a difference in bully prevention.

## Sheriff's Office Crime Report —Unincorporated Douglas County

This is a summary report of property crimes occurring between November 1-30, 2010 reported to the Douglas County Sheriff's Office.

The information contained in this report is intended to help inform the citizens of Douglas County of the criminal activity occurring in their area. The data referenced in this report only includes incidents where a police report was initiated by a deputy and does not include all calls for service for the Sheriff's Office.

### Burglaries

1900 block Upper Camas Rd, Camas Valley  
300 block Transfer Rd, Reedsport  
400 block Todd Rd, Oakland  
800 block South Elk Creek Rd, Drain  
300 block Applegate Ave, Drain  
600 block Newton Crk Rd, Roseburg  
900 block Newton Crk Rd, Roseburg  
500 block Cleveland Loop Rd, Roseburg  
5300 block Grange Rd, Green  
10000 block S Hwy 99, Dillard  
4000 block Gazley Rd, Canyonville  
700 block Stagecoach Rd, Canyonville  
600 block Stagecoach Rd, Canyonville  
200 block SW Frontage Rd, Canyonville  
100 block N Pacific Hwy, Myrtle Creek  
400 block Taylor St, Myrtle Creek  
100 block W Pacific Ave, Glendale  
500 block Willis Ave, Glendale  
100 block S Molly St, Glendale

### Thefts

77000 block Hwy 101, Gardiner  
100 block Alexander Ln, Glide  
800 block John Long Rd, Oakland  
1500 block Pine St, Roseburg  
500 block Colonial Rd, Melrose  
5300 block NE Stephens St, Roseburg  
100 block Atkinson Ct, Roseburg  
100 block Promise Ln, Roseburg  
400 block Greenhill Dr, Melrose  
1000 block Douglas Ave, Roseburg  
2300 block Wilbur Rd, Wilbur  
10000 block Garden Valley Rd, Roseburg  
15000 block Hwy 99 N, Winchester  
200 block Lancaster Ave, Green  
4600 block Carnes Rd, Green  
Byron Creek Rd / Upper Olalla Rd, Tenmile  
200 block Hult St, Dillard  
200 block Emils Way, Green

4000 block Hermosa Way Green  
1800 block Palos Verdes Dr, Green  
300 block Crest Dr, Myrtle Creek  
Hill St / Walnut St, Myrtle Creek  
1000 block N Pacific Hwy, Myrtle Creek  
1600 block Starveout Creek Rd, Azalea

### Criminal Mischief

42000 block Hwy 38, Reedsport  
600 block Broadway Ave, Winchester Bay  
500 block Azalea Dr, Elkton  
400 block First St, Yoncalla  
300 block Williams Rd, Yoncalla  
1000 block Douglas Ave, Roseburg  
300 block Orchard Ln, Melrose  
2200 block Cannon Ave, Green  
2200 block Burdette Dr, Green  
4400 block Carnes Rd, Green  
100 block Wenaha Ln, Green  
3900 block Glenbrook Loop Rd, Riddle  
200 block Oak Hollow Ln, Riddle  
600 block Stagecoach Rd, Canyonville  
11000 block Tiller Train Hwy, Days Creek  
600 block Stagecoach Rd, Canyonville  
600 block E Sixth Ave, Riddle  
1800 block Weaver Rd, Myrtle Creek  
200 block Valley St, Myrtle Creek  
400 block Seventh St, Glendale  
10000 block Middle Creek Ck, Riddle

### Motor Vehicle Thefts

3700 block Hooker Rd, Roseburg  
300 block Schudeiske Rd, Sutherlin  
Clarks Branch Rd / Dole Rd, Myrtle Creek  
2100 block Green Ave, Green  
100 block S Molly St, Glendale

### Thefts from a Motor Vehicle

1000 block Hayhurst Rd, Yoncalla  
300 block Monte Dr, Green

100 block Chief Miwaleta Ln, Canyonville  
300 block Bluebird Ln, Canyonville  
100 block Destiny Ln, Myrtle Creek  
400 block Whiting Ln, Azalea

### Drug Offense

Hwy 101 / MP 213, Reedsport  
Hwy 101 / MP 210, Gardiner  
Hwy 101 / Reedsport West Rd, Winchester Bay  
100 block Oak St, Yoncalla  
300 block Main St, Yoncalla  
Eagle Valley Rd / First St, Yoncalla  
800 block John Long Rd, Oakland  
500 block Payton Ave, Drain  
Diamond Lake Blvd / Miguel St, Roseburg  
2900 block Diamond Lake Blvd, Roseburg  
1000 block Douglas Ave, Roseburg  
5700 block NE Stephens St, Roseburg  
4800 block NE Stephens St, Roseburg  
500 block Wilson Collins Rd, Roseburg  
2500 block NE Stephens St, Roseburg  
Melqua Rd / Melrose Rd, Melrose  
1200 block W Central Ave, Sutherlin  
1100 block Old Town Loop Rd, Oakland  
2600 block Stearns Ln, Sutherlin  
10000 block Hwy 99 S, Dillard  
Roberts Creek Rd, Green  
I 5 / Milepost 17 southbound, Green  
1700 block Rolling Hills Rd, Green  
800 block Callahan Dr, Green  
4400 block Carnes Rd, Green  
100 block Paradise Ln, Green  
2200 block Cannon Ave, Green  
300 block N Main St, Riddle  
I 5 - Milepost 95 Southbound  
I 5 - Milepost 101 Southbound  
500 block S Main St, Myrtle Creek



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