

Community Newsletter

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Outdoor Safety

The Sheriff's Office would like to remind people that cellular telephones don't always work in the remote areas of Douglas County and should not be relied upon for survival. If you are going to be out enjoying outdoor activities such as hiking or hunting please be prepared.

Before you set out, make sure that someone knows your plans. Leave your itinerary with a friend or relative. It should list the area in which you will be hiking or hunting, the day you will be leaving and the date and time you are expected back. Your trip plan should also include the make and model of your vehicle and the license plate number. You can access a Trip Plan on the Sheriff's Office website at www.dcsso.com.

Be aware of the weather forecast and dress appropriately - many people think they will be gone only a "few minutes" and do not take rain gear and their day pack but end up lost and spending an very uncomfortable night in the woods

Always take your extra gear with you – It should include the following items:

- Survival blanket
- Map and Compass – some knowledge of how to use them
- Warm Clothing
- Sweater or Pile Jacket
- Long Pants (wool or synthetic)
- Hat (wool)
- Extra Food and Water
- Flashlight or Headlamp
- Matches/Fire starters
- First Aid Kit/Repair Kit
- Whistle
- Rain/Wind Jacket & Pants

GPS are good tools, but you need to know how to use them and understand their limitations (poor reception in deep canyons and heavy timber and battery life).

Learn how to use a map and compass. It's a good idea to study maps of the area you'll be hiking or hunting on to become familiar with trails, roads, rivers, streams, mountains and other features. Use these as reference points as you hike.

You may need to be on higher ground in order to identify landmarks such as streams and ridges. Just don't wander far from your original route; remember, this is where rescuers will start looking for you if your friends or family tell them your planned route.

Still lost? **S.T.O.P:** Stop, Think, Observe and Plan. Decide on a plan and stick to it. If the last known location is within a reasonable distance, try to go back to it. If you can't find any recognizable landmarks by backtracking, stay put.

IF YOU CAN'T RESCUE YOURSELF:

- Stay warm and protect yourself from the elements. If possible, stay near an open space; move into it to be visible from the air and ground.
- Try to remain hydrated.
- Put bright clothing on, or put out something that's bright to attract attention.
- Continue to blow your whistle at regular intervals.
- Don't lie on bare ground. Use the equipment you brought to protect yourself from the elements.
- Outdoor safety is our concern but YOUR responsibility.

Report Crime

“Am I witnessing a crime?” Most of us have found ourselves wondering this at some time or another. However, because we are not really sure, we tend to ignore what we have just seen.

Since law enforcement cannot be everywhere – at all times, the battle against crime relies on the involvement of both police and citizens. For this reason, the effective functioning of a police department is dependent on citizen cooperation and their resistance to crime. Many crimes would never have been committed if more citizens would have been alert to suspicious activity and took it upon themselves to contact the police.

Whenever you observe suspicious activity, even though there may be other witnesses - **CALL THE POLICE**. Never rely on the next person to do what you should have done. The police would rather receive multiple calls concerning the same incident than none at all.

Sometimes citizens fail to act because they are not sure if what they are observing is suspicious activity. A good rule to follow is: When in doubt, call the POLICE, IMMEDIATELY!

Don't wait to discuss the events with friends or family first. Valuable police response time is lost this way.

Don't be concerned about 'bothering' the police. Responding to citizen's concerns or suspicions is part of our job.

Don't dwell on your possible embarrassment if your suspicions should prove unfounded. Think of what **COULD HAPPEN**, if you don't act! Next time, **IT COULD HAPPEN TO YOU!**

The following examples of what to watch for may be helpful in determining when to call for police assistance:

A stranger entering your neighbor's home while your neighbor is away or someone crossing your or a neighbor's yard; anyone trying a neighbor's

door; a moving truck or van pulling up to a neighbor's house while they are away. Burglaries often occur at times when 'appearances' seem normal.

The sound of breaking glass - this could indicate a possible burglary or vandalism.

Anyone observed peering into vehicles as they walk down the street or someone removing license plates, gasoline or accessories from a vehicle. Also be suspicious of someone attempting to enter a vehicle using a coat hanger or other device. Never assume that it is the owner who has mistakenly locked their keys in the vehicle. Be wary of anyone tampering with the hood or trunk of a vehicle.

An improperly parked car, an abandoned vehicle or someone leaving one vehicle and driving away in another; these may be signs of a vehicle theft.

Persons loitering around schools, parks, secluded areas, or in the neighborhood; these could be possible sex offenders, drug dealers or burglars.

Apparent business transactions conducted from a vehicle, especially around schools or parks and if juveniles are involved a constant flow of strangers to and from a particular residence on a regular basis especially at late or unusual hours could all be indicative of drug sales or a possible fencing operation.

Offers of merchandise or repair work at unusually low prices which could indicate stolen property or some form of fraudulent scheme.

Door to door solicitors that cannot give you legitimate information of the company they represent or if they threaten or harass you in anyway.

CALL THE POLICE!! To report any suspicious activity, call Douglas County Communications at 541-440-4471.

Internet Predators

The Internet is the proverbial double-edged sword of opportunity and danger. Every click of the mouse must be carefully considered in light of ongoing victimization that occurs every day in cyberspace. The very nature of the internet, combined with the psychology of human communication, provides a rich supply of victims for these online predators. Most commonly we fear for our children but, as we have seen in recent headlines across the country, these criminals can also target trusting adults.

We must never forget that predators can be encountered anywhere, especially in locations where they expect to find "prey." Just like a hungry lion might stake out the watering hole, waiting for the weak, the isolated, or the unaware, these individuals stake out *MySpace*, *craigslist*, and all manner of social networking sites. They wait, they watch, they test their potential victims through online conversations. They lure their prey with friendship, shared interests, job offers, and free stuff -- whatever it takes to establish trust and an opportunity to meet in real life.

Even the most wary and suspicious among us might be taken in by these criminals. It's not that we are necessarily gullible or easily duped. But, when human communication is reduced to discerning the message through words on a computer screen, layers and layers of nuance, as well as verbal and non-verbal cues, are stripped away, leaving us with their words alone to evaluate the interaction.

Intuition is a beautiful thing because it helps keep us safe from harm. It is there in our subconscious, alert for subtle signs of deception, character flaws, ulterior motives, hidden agendas, criminal intent and (especially) impending danger. However, for intuition to fully help us, we must be able to engage all of our senses. This is just not possible through email, blogging, or text messaging! We must always take extra precautions when dealing with anyone in cyberspace. A link to "personal safety tips" is

offered on every page of *craigslist*. *MySpace* and other social networking sites also have safety strategies posted on their websites. Here are a few basic elements that must be considered if you are planning a meeting with someone that you first encountered online.

- Insist on a public meeting place like a library, grocery store parking lot, café, or coffee shop.
- Tell a friend or family member where you're going and how long you plan to be gone.
- Take your cell phone along if you have one. Arrange for someone to call you at a specific time to check in. Consider having a pre-arranged code word as a signal if you are in distress.
- Ask one or two friends to accompany you.
- Trust your instincts—leave immediately if your intuition tells you something is not right.
- Remain wary even if you have a good first impression. It takes time and experience to build trust. Don't rush the relationship. Don't reveal personal information.

For additional information on avoiding scams and fraud on *craigslist*, go to www.craigslist.org/about/scams.

Finally, we urge parents of children of all ages to commit themselves to becoming educated and aware about "Keeping Kids Safer on the Internet". A publication of the same name is available online from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. You can download a free copy at www.missingkids.com/en_US/publications/NC168.pdf.



Sheriff's Office Crime Report —Unincorporated Douglas County

This is a summary report of property crimes occurring between September 1-30, 2009 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

700 block Terrace Dr, Glide
1100 block Rice Valley Rd, Oakland
2400 block S Hwy 99, Roseburg
600 block Fawn Dr, Roseburg
100 block Timberlake Ave, Roseburg
5200 block NE Stephens St, Roseburg
1900 block SE Stephens St, Roseburg
4400 block Carnes Rd, Green
300 block Boyd St, Canyonville
500 block Chadwick Ln, Myrtle Creek
15000 block Upper Cow Cr Rd, Azalea
1800 block Azalea Glen Rd, Azalea
100 block Sether Ave, Glendale
700 block McCullough Crk Rd, Glendale

Thefts

7200 block Look Lake Rd, Reedsport
100 block Scottview St, Glide
12000 block Little River Rd, Glide
100 block Williams Rd, Yoncalla
700 block Gardner Ave, Drain
2500 block Diamond Lake Blvd, Roseburg
5000 block Garden Valley Rd, Roseburg
500 block Tipton Rd, Roseburg
200 block Walker Ct, Roseburg
2400 block S Hwy 99, Roseburg
500 block Dawson Rd, Roseburg
40 block Oleta Ct, Roseburg
800 block Speedway Rd, Roseburg
3000 block Porter St, Roseburg
400 block Dawson Rd, Roseburg
600 block Fort McKay Rd, Sutherlin
200 block Grant Smith Rd, Green
2300 block Circle Dr, Green
4600 block Carnes Rd, Green

200 block Pruner Rd, Myrtle Creek

200 block SW Fifth St, Canyonville

400 block W Pacific Ave, Glendale

Thefts from Motor Vehicle

80000 block Hwy 101, Gardiner
300 block Plateau St, Gardiner
100 block Pleasant St, Roseburg
1200 block Newton Creek Rd, Roseburg
100 block S Main St, Riddle
400 block N Main St, Canyonville
400 block S Pacific Ave, Glendale
SE Canyon/Se Third St, Canyonville
2000 block Shoestring Rd, Riddle
500 block Woodcrest Dr, Myrtle Creek
100 block Booth Ranch Rd, Myrtle Creek
10000 block Upper Cow Cr Rd, Azalea
100 block Montgomery Ave, Glendale

Criminal Mischief

100 block Scotty Ct, Idleyld Park
400 block W B Ave, Drain
900 block S Cedar St, Drain
200 block Zachary Ln, Roseburg
100 block Pioneer Way, Roseburg
900 block Newton Creek Rd, Roseburg
400 block Clarice Ln, Roseburg
Hewitt Ave/Kerr St, Roseburg
400 block Char St, Green
200 block Emils Way, Green
100 block Fourth St, Dillard
5400 block Grange Rd, Green
15000 block S Hwy 99, Myrtle Creek
100 block Second St, Dillard
200 block Georginna Dr, Green
1900 block Burdette Dr, Green
100 block Chief Miwaleta Ln, Canyonville
22000 block Tiller Trail Hwy, Days Creek
400 block Taylor St, Myrtle Creek
1100 block N Pacific Hwy, Myrtle Creek
500 block Chadwick Ln, Myrtle Creek
300 block W Pacific Ave, Glendale
500 block W Pacific Ave, Glendale
400 block Willis Ave, Glendale

200 block S Third St, Glendale

200 block Second St, Glendale

100 block Gilbert Ave, Glendale

100 block Seventh St, Glendale

500 block W Pacific Ave, Glendale

Motor Vehicle Thefts

200 block Watson Ln, Idleyld Park
1400 block Curtin Rd, Curtin
1100 block Driver Valley Rd, Oakland
200 block Sether Ave, Glendale
800 block Autumn Ln, Azalea

Drug Offense

1000 block Putnam Valley Rd, Drain
2600 block Diamond Lk Blvd, Roseburg
4800 block Garden Valley Rd, Roseburg
900 block Valley Rd, Roseburg
2600 block Harvard Ave, Roseburg
1100 block NE Stephens St, Roseburg
1000 block Keasey St, Roseburg
100 block Oliva Ln, Roseburg
1600 block Trails End Ln, Sutherlin
5800 block N Hwy 99, Roseburg
S Hwy 99 / M St, Green
Austin Rd / Carnes Rd, Green
100 block Creekside Rd, Canyonville
100 block Phillips St, Canyonville
500 block Chadwick Ln, Myrtle Creek
400 block Aker Dr, Myrtle Creek
300 block Reuben Rd, Glendale
Canyon Creek SB / I-5, Canyonville



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Check our website for
more crime stats

www.dcsso.com