Washington County Sheriff's Office Neighborhood Watch Newsletter

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"Take the time to prevent a crime"

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Statistics for December		
Aggravated Assault	2	
Assault (Simple)	19	
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	15	
Credit Card Fraud	2	
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	13	
Driving Under the Influence	1	
Drug/Narcotic Violations	11	
Drunkenness	3	
Impersonation	1	
Arson	0	
Larceny (all other)	30	
Liquor Law Violations	0	
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	
Shoplifting	12	
Trespass	3	
All Other Offenses	95	
Total Offenses	208	

Total Arrest	Total Warrants
Adult- 124	Criminal- 286
Juvenile- 4	Civil- 1,550

SHERIFF'S MESSAGE

Meth is a growing epidemic in the United States, and unfortunately our county has not escaped its grasp. Weekly our agency has deputies or investigators on calls where either someone has discarded their cook vessels alongside the road or they are in the process of making meth. The one pot meth method or Shake and Bake as it is sometimes called can be done anywhere, from a bath room stall at the local gas station to a moving vehicle. It is possibly the most dangerous way of meth making. This method can be highly volatile and it can cause a very large explosion. If you think you have found a meth container, please do not pick it up call your local law enforcement agency, they are trained to handle this situation. If you have information about a person making or selling drugs please contact our department with the information. We can't put a stop to this persistent problem without your help. If you have a question or concern, please contact our office.

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	Monthly Meeting Schedule	
2-3	BURSON CORNER (1st Monday)	6:00 PM
	Goodson Kinderhook FD	
2-4	HIGH POINT (1 st Tuesday)	7:00 PM
	High Point Elementary School	
2-6	MENDOTA (1 st Thursday)	7:00 PM
	Mendota Community Center	
2-13	TAYLORS VALLEY (2 nd Thursday)	7:00 PM
	Taylor's Valley Community Center*Cancelled	
2-18	HIGHLANDER PARK/Exit 10 (3 rd Tuesday)	7:00 PM
	Noonkester Field Park *Cancelled until March	2014
2-20	ZION COMMUNITY (3 RD Thursday)	7:00 PM
	Zion Church	
2-25	HAYTERS GAP (4 th Tuesday)	10:30 AM
	Hayters Gap Community Center	
2-25	POOR VALLEY/HAYTERS GAP EVENING	
	(4 th Tuesday)	7:00 PM
	Valley View Assembly of God Church	
2-27	KONNAROCK (4 th Thursday)*Cancelled	7:00 PM
	Konnarock Community Center	7.00 1.11
	Quarterly Meeting Schedule	
3-3	CLAYMAN VALLEY	7:00 PM
3-3	Goodson Kinderhook FD	7:00 PM
3-4	EAGLE RIDGE	7:00 PM
3-4		7:00 PM
3-10	High Point Elementary School CROWEVILLE/ GLADE SPRING	7.00 DM
3-10		7:00 PM
2 11	Glade Spring Senior Center	7.00 DM
3-11	HOLSTON GREENDALE	7:00 PM
2.12	Greendale Elementary	7 00 DM
3-13	QUAIL RIDGE /WORTHINGTON WAY	7:00 PM
2.17	Ely Residence	7 00 DM
3-17	MELVIN HILLS/OAK HILL ESTATES	7:00 PM
	Pleasant View Methodist * Cancelled	
3-18	LOWRY HILLS	7:00 PM
	Noonkester Field Park	
3-20	RAMBLEWOOD/WIDENER'S VALLEY	7:00 PM
	Zion Church	
3-24	OAKWOOD DRIVE	7:00 PM
	McDaniel Residence.	
4-8	WOODLAND HILLS	7:00 PM
	Woodland Hills Christian Church	
4-10	GATE CITY HWY	7:00 PM
	Three Springs Methodist Church	

War against Meth

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In recent years our community as well as our nation has been at war with a drug called meth. Meth has ruined the lives of many and plagued our communities with dangerous toxins. Meth may be one of the only drugs that not only endangers the user, but all those around it due to its volatile and corrosive chemical formula. When meth first started out, it was found more in what we called "garage labs", now however; meth can be found just about anywhere and is now being made in drink bottles such as Gatorade bottles, and soda bottles. This causes the product to be portable and easily accessed; it could also mean that the cooker can just toss the bottle out the window onto any road or highway to rid possession of it. Below we have listed a few things that you and your community need to know in order to help keep your community safe from such dangers.

Anyone who believes he or she has discovered an illegal drug lab or the site of an abandoned lab should immediately notify local law enforcement (Dial 911) and should not enter the area of the suspected lab. Do not touch anything! If you are to find a bottle such as a soda bottle lying on the ground and it looks questionable please do not touch it and call 911. We urge you to stay away from it. Just by being around a possible meth lab or a "one pot" manufacturing container you have put your health at risk for possible side effects associated with the harsh and harmful chemicals that are used to manufacture meth. Also, there is a chance of the chemicals reacting and exploding.

Anyone who happens to enter a lab where meth is in the process of being manufactured should leave immediately— without disturbing the cooking process, chemicals or equipment. Do not touch anything! If you think you have spotted a meth lab or the remnants of meth production, call 911. Do not examine or investigate it yourself.

One of the most common questions we get at our agency is "What does meth smell like?". It does not have a specific odor but can mimic the smell of Paint thinner or varnish smell Ether or a "hospital smell" Sour or vinegary smell Ammonia-like smell (like the smell of window cleaner, fertilizers)

Meth is damaging to human life and even fatal to those around its production but with your help we can put a stop to its dangers. If you suspect or know someone who is manufacturing meth please contact our office 276-676-6339 or e-mail us at sheriff@washso.org Speak up, take action!



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

With the month of February often we look forward to the coming months with great expectation.

A young psychology student serving in the Army decided to test a theory. Drawing kitchen duty, he was given the job of passing out apricots at the end of the chow line. He asked the first few soldiers that came by, "You don't want any apricots, do you?" Ninety percent said "No." Then he tried the positive approach: "You do want apricots, don't you?" About half answered, "Uh, yeah. I'll take some." Then he tried a third test, based on the fundamental either/or selling technique. This time he asked, "One dish of apricots or two?" And in spite of the fact that soldiers don't like Army apricots, 40 percent took two dishes and 50 percent took one! *Bits & Pieces*, May 26, 1994, pp. 9-10.

As we anticipate the experiences, trials, and victories of the coming months may we all approach them with a positive outlook. An outlook that sees them as learning opportunities, and as the places where God will make us better tomorrow than we are today.

But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, **expecting** nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil men. Luke 6:35

Seeking Still<>< Erik Hinchey WCSO Chaplain