



Richland County Sheriff's Department

Region Six Neighborhood News

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REGION SIX- NEIGHBORHOOD CHRISTMAS DROP-IN

We will be having our 3rd annual Christmas drop-in at Region Six headquarters on December 16, 2004 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Help us celebrate the season. Come by and meet and greet community members, local political dignitaries, and deputies of the Richland County Sheriff's Department Region Six.

Region Six Headquarters is located at 96 Lake Carolina Boulevard.

Hors d'oeuvres will be provided.

ALERT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Recently, we've had 5 incidents in the area, where counterfeit \$20 dollar bills have been passed. These bills even have a black mark on the bills. These marks look like the marks that a cashier would put on a bill when they use a counterfeit detector pen.

Incidents, like ours have occurred in the Charlotte, Rock Hill, and Fairfield areas.

Meet the Deputies of Region Six

Each month the Region Six newsletter will highlight deputies assigned to Region Six in the Uniform Patrol Division and in our Community Services Division.



Meet

Lieutenant Paul Tyler, Region Six Executive Officer. Lt. Tyler has been in law enforcement since 1980. Paul was made a resident deputy in the Blythewood area in 1993. He was assigned to Region Six as Sergeant in March 2002. He was promoted to Lieutenant July 2002. Paul is a member of the Blythewood Kiwanis Club, North Columbia Optimist Club, and St. Davis Episcopal Church.

Paul is know by most of the residents in the Blythewood and Pontiac area and has become an icon in Blythewood.

If you need to speak to Lieutenant Paul Tyler, you can call him at Region Six Headquarters, 865-8011 or email him at ptyler@rcsd.net.

C.A.T. NEWS

(COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM)

Information from your C.A.T. officers.

- When leaving to go visit family and friends for several days at a time. Leave a radio or TV on when you leave the house.
- Put lights on alternating timers when you leave home and do not disconnect them when you are home.
- Cut all bushes and trees back from around windows and doors to avoid hiding spots and shadows.

If you should have any questions contact the Community Action Team or your C.A.T. Officer Larry Croft or Scott Stover. Richland County Sheriff's Department- #576-3000

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Do you know what could happen if you drive off, after putting fuel in your vehicle, and not paying.

Recently a person was found guilty in magistrate court for failing to pay for gas. The person was fined \$1067.00, **and** serve 30 days in jail. The person has to pay restitution and lost their drivers license for one year.

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

The holiday season is always a special time of year. It is also a time when busy people become careless and vulnerable to theft and other holiday crime. We can never be too careful, too prepared or too aware. Please share this information with family, friends and neighbors. The Richland County Sheriff's Department wishes you a safe, happy and peaceful holiday season.

Driving

- Avoid driving alone or at night.
- Keep all car doors locked and windows closed while in or out of your car. Set your alarm or use an anti-theft device.
- If you must shop at night, park in a well-lighted area.
- Avoid parking next to vans, trucks with camper shells, or cars with tinted windows.
- Park as close as you can to your destination and take notice of where you parked.
- Never leave your car unoccupied with the motor running or with children inside.
- Do not leave packages or valuables on the seat of your car. This creates a temptation for thieves. If you must leave something in the car, lock it in the trunk or put it out of sight.
- Be sure to locate your keys prior to going to your car.
- Keep a secure hold on your purse, handbag and parcels. Do not put them down or on top of the car in order to open the door.
- When approaching and leaving your vehicle be aware of your surroundings.
- Do not approach your car alone if there are suspicious people in the area.
- Ask mall or store security for an escort before leaving your shopping location.

Automated Teller Machine (ATM)

- If you must use an ATM, choose one that is located inside a mall, or well-lighted location. Withdraw only the amount of cash you need.
- Protect your PIN by shielding the ATM keypad from anyone who is standing near you.
- Do not throw your ATM receipt away at the ATM location.

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Shopping

- Shop during daylight hours whenever possible. If you must shop at night, go with a friend or family member.
- Dress casually and comfortably.
- Avoid wearing expensive jewelry.
- Do not carry a purse or wallet, if possible.
- Always carry your South Carolina Driver License or Identification Card along with necessary cash, checks and/or a credit card you expect to use.
- Even though you are rushed and thinking about a thousand things, stay alert to your surroundings.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash.
- Pay for purchases with a check or credit card when possible.
- Keep cash in your front pocket.
- Notify the credit card issuer immediately if your credit card is lost, stolen or misused.
- Keep a record of all of your credit card numbers in a safe place at home.
- Be extra careful if you do carry a wallet or purse. They are the prime targets of criminals in crowded shopping areas, transportation terminals, bus stops, on buses and other rapid transit.
- Avoid overloading yourself with packages. It is important to have clear visibility and freedom of motion to avoid mishaps.
- Beware of strangers approaching you for any reason. At this time of year, "con-artists" may try various methods of distracting you with the intention of taking your money or belongings.

Children

- If possible, leave small children at home with a trusted babysitter.
- Teach your child to go to a store clerk and ask for help in case your child is separated from you.
- Teach children to stay close to you at all times while shopping.
- Never allow children to make unaccompanied trips to the restroom.
- Children should never be allowed to go to the car alone and they should never be left alone in the car.
- Teach children their full name, address and telephone number to give to police officers or mall security. Teach children to immediately inform you if a stranger is bothering them.

At Home

- Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave the house, even for a few minutes.
- When leaving home for an extended time, have a neighbor or family member watch your house and pick up your newspapers and mail.
- Indoor and outdoor lights should be on an automatic timer.
- Leave a radio or television on so the house looks and sounds occupied.
- Large displays of holiday gifts should not be visible through the windows and doors of your home.
- When setting up a Christmas tree or other holiday display, make sure doors and passageways are clear inside your home.
- Be sure your Christmas tree is mounted on a sturdy base so children, elderly persons or family pets cannot pull it over on themselves.
- If you use lights on your Christmas tree ensure the wiring is not damaged or frayed. Frayed or damaged wiring can cause a fire.
- Place your Christmas tree in water or wet sand to keep it green.
- Never place wrapping paper in your fireplace.

OCTOBER CRIME TREND REPORT

DATE	ST. #	ADDRESS	SUB	TYPE/PROPERTY	CRIME	ITEMS
10/30/04	1	BLACKOAK CT.	ASHLEY OAKS	RESIDENCE	ASSAULT	N/A
10/18/04	114	LEE RIDGE DR.	ASHLEY RIDGE	CONST. SITE	VANDALISM	GRAFFITI
10/3/04	640	PORTIA RD.	BLYTHEWOOD	RESIDENCE	ASSAULT	N/A
10/3/04	10800	FARROW RD.	BLYTHEWOOD	BUSINESS	BURGLARY	CHEMICALS
10/3/04	725	SANDFIELD RD	BLYTHEWOOD	RESIDENCE	LAR. FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	GUN
10/3/04	8436	WINNSBORO RD.	BLYTHEWOOD	RESIDENCE	LARCENY	MEDICATION
10/4/04	1049	RUSHING RD.	BLYTHEWOOD	RESIDENCE	BURGLARY	TOOLS
10/10/04	155	BLYTHEWOOD RD.	BLYTHEWOOD	CHURCH	LAR. FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	PURSE
10/12/04	10800	FARROW RD.	BLYTHEWOOD	BUSINESS	BURGLARY	
10/22/04	736	SANDFIELD RD	BLYTHEWOOD	RESIDENCE	BURGLARY	JEWELRY
10/28/04	150	PLEASANT VIEW	BLYTHEWOOD	RESIDENCE	BURGLARY	ELECTRONICS
10/28/04	10336	WILSON BLVD.	BLYTHEWOOD	BUSINESS	BURGLARY	N/A
10/28/04	10205	WILSON BLVD.	BLYTHEWOOD	BUSINESS	BURGLARY	N/A
10/28/04	1001	N. FIRE TOWER	BLYTHEWOOD	BUSINESS	BURGLARY	CHECKS
10/31/04	198	MCNULTY RD.	BLYTHEWOOD	BUSINESS	LAR. FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	FORD 1990
10/5/04	14	BELL OAKS CT.	BRIARCLIFFE	RESIDENCE	ASSAULT	N/A
10/20/04		BRIARCLIFFE WEST	BRIARCLIFFE	ROADWAY	ASSAULT	N/A
10/16/04	421	OAK MANOR CT.	CARRIAGE OAKS	RESIDENCE	VANDALISM	METER BOX
10/9/04	120	VARNADORE	CEDAR CREEK	RESIDENCE	BURGLARY	N/A
10/20/04	1324	SHERRILL LEVER RD.	CEDAR CREEK	RESIDENCE	BURGLARY	JEWELRY
10/26/04	2004	CEDAR SPRINGS RD.	CEDAR CREEK	RESIDENCE	BURGLARY	JEWELRY
10/13/04	9401	WILSON BLVD. LT. 104	CLAYTON ESTATES	RESIDENCE	BURGLARY	JEWELRY
10/3/04	4801	HARD SCRABBLE RD.	COLUMBIA	SCHOOL	BURGLARY	CASH
10/10/04	600	LONGTOWN RD.	COLUMBIA	CONST. SITE	VANDALISM	PAINT
10/13/04	2750	CLEMSON RD.	COLUMBIA	ROADWAY	ASSAULT	N/A
10/21/04	4801	HARD SCRABBLE RD.	COLUMBIA	SCHOOL	ARSON	VEHICLE
10/21/04	4801	HARD SCRABBLE RD.	COLUMBIA	SCHOOL	ARSON	N/A
10/21/04	4751	HARD SCRABBLE RD.	COLUMBIA	SCHOOL	VANDALISM	N/A
10/29/04	303	ELDERS POND	ELDERS POND	RESIDENCE	TRESPASSING	N/A
10/4/04	751	JACOBS MILL POND RD.	ELGIN	CONST. SITE	CONST. SITE THEFT	TRAILER
10/22/04	1047	HIGHWAY CHURCH RD.	ELGIN	BUSINESS	BURGLARY	VANDALISM
10/20/04	108	SANDY HAVEN LT. 29	HACIENDA	RESIDENCE	VANDALISM	WINDOW
10/30/04	101	HERITAGE HILLS DR.	HERITAGE	RESIDENCE	BURGLARY	APPLIANCES
10/7/04	11	HEISES POND WAY	LANDSDOWNE	CONST. SITE	CONST. SITE THEFT	BUILDING MATERIAL
10/7/04	222	HODSON HALL	LANDSDOWNE	CONST. SITE	CONST. SITE THEFT	BUILDING MATERIAL
10/12/04	5927	PERCIVAL RD. LT 20	LUGOFF	RESIDENCE	ASSAULT	N/A
10/30/04	2013	SCREAMING EAGLE	LUGOFF	RESIDENCE	LARCENY	WALLET
10/4/04	128	JACOBS RD.	NORTH PINES	RESIDENCE	ASSAULT	N/A
10/16/04	109	PINE CLAVE CIR.	PINECLAVE	RESIDENCE	BURGLARY	ELECTRONICS
10/9/04	33	OAK LAKE CT.	PINEWEDGE	CONST. SITE	VANDALISM	WINDOW
10/5/04	1034	SANDY OAKS RD.	PONTIAC	RESIDENCE	ASSAULT	N/A
10/23/04	595	SPEARS CREEK CHURCH RD	PONTIAC	BUSINESS	LAR. FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	TAG
10/31/04	109	BIG JOHN RD.	ROBIN HOOD	RESIDENCE	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	FORD 1997
10/11/04	109	CHALICE LN. APT. G	SPARKLEBERRY	RESIDENCE	BURGLARY	KEYS
10/2/04	216	BRITTANY PK	SUMMIT	RESIDENCE	LARCENY	JEWELRY
10/4/04	1319	MAY OAK CIR	SUMMIT	RESIDENCE	VANDALISM	TOYOTA 1989
10/13/04	111	ELDERS POND	SUMMIT	RESIDENCE	VANDALISM	2000 FORD
10/18/04	1000	SUMMIT RIDGE	SUMMIT	CONST. SITE	VANDALISM	BULLDOZER
10/20/04	111	ELDERS POND	SUMMIT	RESIDENCE	BURGLARY	ELECTRONICS
10/22/04	424	BOMBING RANGE. RD.	SUMMIT	RESIDENCE	LARCENY	GUN
10/25/04	324	WAVERYLY PLACE DR.	SUMMIT	RESIDENCE	LAR. FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	ELECTRONICS