Coosa Journal

News & Encouragement from the Coosa County Sheriff's Office



This Edition

"Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute. Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked."

(Psalm 82:3~4)

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Office is here...
To Serve and Protect

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Police Officers Prayer

Lord I ask for courage Courage to face and Conquer my fears... Courage to take me Where others will not go... I ask for strength Strength of body to protect others And strength of spirit to lead others... I ask for dedication Dedication to my job, to do it well. Dedication to my community, To keep it safe... Give me Lord, concern For others who trust me And compassion for those who need me... And please Lord through it all Be at my side...

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You are Invited to Attend:

Rockford Baptist Church

9575 Highway 231 Rockford

10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM Worship

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He Will Always Love You

His promise is "I'll always love you." You know Jesus loves you?

"Jesus loves me, this I know. For the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong. They are weak, but He is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me. The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me. He who died Heaven's gate to open wide. He will wash away my sin. Let His little child come in"

His love for you is unconditional. This is hard for us to understand, but it is something we really need to get into our heart and our head. We may say we love someone, because that is what we are told to do; it is required by God. See the condition: we love not because we love, but because we are required to love. It is due to the face we are human and incapable to unconditional love.

But God! God loves unconditionally. Completely. Without reservation. He may not like what we do (and there are many times

we will cause Him pain and sorrow), but not matter what He will never, ever stop loving me.

When we think on the words, "Jesus loves me The Bible tells me so," we ought to examine the truth of such a statement. We know John 3:16 and 1 Corinthians 13 are prime verses to go to. Today, look at this verse from Psalms:

"Thy mercy, O LORD, is in the heavens; and thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds. Thy

righteousness is like the great mountains; thy judgments are a great deep: O LORD, thou preservest man and beast. How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings. They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures." (Psalm 36:5-8 KJV)

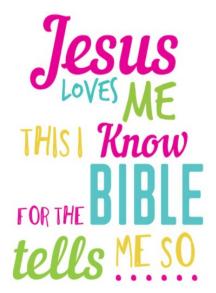
Verse 7 reads in another translation:

"How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings."

Oh friend, there is room for all us in the love of God. Beneath the protective, sheltering wings of the Lord, there is divine love for all. No distinction, discrimination, denial!



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accepted in the shadow of His wings.

This Divine Love has no limits, no boundaries. If it did, then we would be under judgement.

"For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son: That all *men* should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent him. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." (John 5:22-24 KJV)

It was divine love, steadfast love, which motivated the Son to become a man. Through this God/man, we have the atoning sacrifice as the Son gives Himself for the Father's rebellious image bearers. This act affords us the wonderful privilege to be reconciled to God and free from guilt and shame.

Today, pause and reflect on this great love:

The Lord is merciful and gracious (Exodus 34:6)

The Lord is good (1 Chronicles 16:34)

The Lord grants life (Job 10:12)

The Lord preserves us

The Lord will not depart from us (Isaiah 54:10)

The Lord delights in pardoning us (Micah 7:18)

Say it with me: HE WILL ALWAYS LOVE ME!

Until next time...





	Jan	Feb	March
Calls to Service/Activities	1112	837	892
Daily Jail Inmate Average	23	28	36
Prisoner Transports Made	9	7	9
Incident & Offense Police Reports	67	51	63
Arrests Made	26	34	37
Warrants Served	33	34	43
Traffic Stops	96	61	50
Patrol Miles Driven	30,737		
Civil Papers Served	30	31	21
Pistol Permits Issued	89	135	135
DUI Arrests	5	2	3
Drug Arrests	7	5	2
Sex Offenders Register	15	11	20

April's

Sheriff's Office Featured Article

WARNING: Facebook Scam

Who Is It Targeting: Facebook users

What Is It: Scammers are posing as an individual's friend on Facebook and sending them messages about a "Federal Government Empowerment Money Program." Scammers will say they have received a large amount of money from the program after sending in a small "transaction" fee. The scammer also sends a form requesting personal and financial information. Individuals are more likely to fall for this scam because it's coming from a friend.

What Are They After: Personal information, account information, payment

How Can You Avoid It: If you receive a message about this program, do not respond and immediately report the message to Facebook through the report button at the top of the message and then block the person. Never click on suspicious links.

Anyone can be a victim of identity theft, anyone can use our services and anyone can help us help others. If you found this information useful, please consider **donating** to the Identity Theft Resource Center to help us keep our services free to the public.

For full details of this scam check out this article from WTVQ.



If you think you may be a victim of identity theft, contact the Identity Theft Resource Center for toll-free, no-cost assistance at (888) 400-5530.

News from the Sheriff's Ress from the Sheriff's

Slow Learners

Believe it or not listening to the police radio is a skill that has to be honed. I'm not referring to the codes that are used. What is needed is the skill to recognize what is relevant to you. That isn't difficult when you only have one channel. However, almost every law enforcement vehicle is equipped with either a radio that scans numerous frequencies or a scanner. This is necessary so you know what is happening around you. The problem is when you have more than one department that has a high priority call happening at the same time. While you are listening to that, you also have to be listening for your own calls. It may not sound like it, but it can get confusing.

Being in our small county with few officers working, I often try to monitor the radio even when I'm off duty. You never know when someone may need some assistance. While listening, I heard a deputy call in to dispatch that he was making a traffic stop. In a moment, he called in the driver's license number. The dispatcher stated the license came back to Mr. LIM DO (pronounced Limb Dough). After a couple of minutes, the deputy stated he was back in service after issuing a citation for speeding (84 in a 55).

Approximately five minutes later I heard another deputy, the patrol Sgt. at the time, report he was making a traffic stop. He gave the tag number and I immediately realized it was the same tag the other deputy had just stopped. I probably need to tell you that I have a thing about numbers and could usually remember tag numbers and driver's license numbers for a long time. The dispatcher responded to the officer that it was in fact the same vehicle that the other deputy had just stopped. The Sergeant came back on the radio with a classic line, he replied "Must be a slow learner." In just a couple of minutes he radioed he was back in service after issuing a citation for speeding (72 in a 55). I later spoke with the sergeant about the stop and he said the driver never said a word about receiving a ticket just five minutes earlier.

Fast forward maybe five years. I am working with a deputy and we clock a vehicle running 80 mph in a 65 zone. I call the tag in to dispatch and the other deputy on shift comes on the radio and says, I guess the ticket I just wrote him for 83 in a 65 didn't do any good. We stop the car and write the driver a speeding ticket. He never mentioned receiving one five minutes earlier.

The man came to court and was found guilty and appealed his cases to circuit court. His argument was "There was only like three miles between the places he was stopped and there was no way he could get up that much speed in that amount of distance." Interestingly, the judge didn't see it that way!

By: Joel D. Glover Coosa County Sheriff's Reserve Unit Reserves Meeting:
March 9, 2021
At 6:00 PM at The Reserve Room

Sheriff's Office Welcomes Newest Employee

The Coosa County Sheriff's Office and Captain M. Mull is proud to announce its newest employee, Nicholas Willetts. Willetts began his career here in March as our newest Corrections Officer/E911 Dispatcher.

Willetts grew up most of his life in the Rockford community of Coosa County attending Central Coosa Schools from middle to high school. He even played football with the Central Cougars. After moving to Georgia for a few years, he decided to move back to his roots here in Rockford. He has been married to his wife Mallory, for five years and they have two sons 3 and 8. He enjoys coaching baseball for his sons, hunting, fishing, and spending time with his family.

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Willetts desire is to one day serve his community as a Deputy,
but he is excited about beginning this journey as a Corrections Officer and Dispatcher. He feels that this is the best way to learn and understand what it means to serve the people of Coosa County. He hopes that he can make a difference in the lives of those who need assistance and help keep his community safe.

Several Join the Coosa County Reserve Team



Charles S. Bradley



John M Hill



Noah E Sanders



Raymond C. Weaver



William L. Smith



Travis P. Milhan

Serving & Protecting Sheriff's March & Arrest Report

- On March 1st, Deputy Bradberry arrested Kendarius Devonta Stitten of Kellyton, AL for Domestic Violence Harassment. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$2000 bond.
- On March 1st, Corporal Moon arrested Mieshia Quansha Bozeman of Wetumpka, AL for Harassing Communications. She was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$500 bond.
- On March 3rd, Captain Hammond arrested Courtney Rachelle Cook of Midland City, AL on a warrant for FTA-Theft of Property 1st. She was booked into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On March 4th, Deputy Bradberry arrested James Troy Ellis of Equality for Carrying a Concealed Weapon Without a Permit. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$2000 bond.
- On March 5th, Investigator Keel arrested Kimberly Jo Blair of Sylacauga, AL on a warrant for FTA-Driving While Suspended. She was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$1000 bond.
- On March 5th, Cheryl Leigh Smith of Sylacauga, AL returned from a court ordered Furlough. She was booked into the Coosa County jail with no bond.
- On March 5th, Corporal Rudd arrested Andrae Lanell Hoytt of Alabaster, AL for a Parole Violation. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On March 6th, Corporal Rudd arrested William Todd Dobbs of Alex City, AL for DUI. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$2000 bond.
- On March 11th, Judge Teel sentenced Wesley Jackson Ellis of Huntsville, AL to 30 days. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On March 11th, Judge Teel sentenced Christopher John Fincher of Kellyton, AL to 30 days or pay off fines. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On March 11th, Corporal Rudd arrested Beverly Denise Hosmer of Sylacauga, AL on 2 warrants for FTA-Driving While Revoked. She was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$2000 bond.
- On March 11th, Deputy Dawson arrested Jeremy Dequan Odem of Goodwater, AL on a warrant for FTA-Possession of Controlled Substance. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On March 11th, Deputy Dawson arrested Delma Carlton Silmon Sr. of Goodwater, AL on a warrant for FTA-Child Support. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On March 12th, Deputy Ward arrested Willie Junior France of Camp Hill, AL for Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$4000 bond.
- On March 13th, Deputy Ward arrested James Douglas Vandgrifft of Talladega, AL on warrants for FTA-Speeding; FTA-Switched Tag; FTA-Driving While Suspended. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$3000 bond.

- On March 14th, Deputy Ward arrested Brenda Lee Hallman of Alex City, AL on a warrant for FTA-Identity Theft. She was booked into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On March 14th, Deputy Ward arrested Corey Allen Hosey of Rockford, AL for DUI. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$2000 bond.
- On March 16th, Corporal Moon arrested Oliver Lewayne Hamilton of Sylacauga on warrants for FTA-Theft of Property 4th, FTA-Switched Tag and FTA-Driving While Revoked. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$5000 bond.
- On March 16th, Judge Malone ordered Kenneth Ray Hallman of Ashland, AL to serve a 5 day sanction. He was booked into the Cosa County Jail with no bond.
- On March 17th, Sheriff Howell arrested Clayton Lewis Wooten of Rockford, AL for Domestic Violence 3rd. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$2500 bond.
- On March 18th, Investigator Keel arrested Jeffrey Robert Lee of Richville, AL on a warrant for Probation Revocation. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On March 19th, Investigator Fenn arrested John Stacy Gilbert of Rockford, AL on a warrant for Probation Revocation. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On March 19th, Investigator Fenn arrested Kayla Diane Sweat of Kellyton, AL on a warrant for FTA-Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. She was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$2000 bond.
- On March 19th, Corporal Rudd arrested Christopher Blake Plexico of Sylacauga, AL on a warrant for FTA-Having Alcohol while Hunting. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On March 20th, Deputy Dawson arrested Dequetrik Jardez Wilson of Alex City, AL on warrants for FTA-Possession of Marijuana 2nd, FTA-Fishing Without Permission and FTA-Failure to Register Vehicle. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with \$6000 bond.
- On March 21st, Deputy Dawson arrested Nicholas Lyrone Odem of Montgomery, AL on a warrant for Probation Revocation. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On March 21st, Corporal Rudd arrested John Gary Bailey of Clanton, AL on warrants for Harassing Communications and Criminal Trespass 3rd. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$1000 bond.
- On March 22^{nd,} Deputy Ward arrested Timothy Earl Curtis of Sylacauga, AL on charges of Possession of Controlled Substance and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$7000 bond.
- On March 24th, Investigator Fenn arrested Kenneth Brandon Bolt of Kellyton, AL on a warrant for a SORNA Violation. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$10000 bond.
- On March 25th, Corporal Rudd arrested Lonnie Ray Mace of Alex City, AL on a warrant for Theft of Services 4th. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$500 bond.
- On March 26th, Deputy Ward arrested Otis Todd Plier of Weogufka, AL on warrants for FTA-Carrying Pistol without Permit and FTA-Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with no bond.
- On March 29th, Corporal Rudd arrested Nicholas Antonio Burns of Dadeville, AL on a warrant for FTA-Driving While Revoked. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$570 cash bond.
- On March 30th, Investigator Fenn arrested Joshua Matthew Cleckler of Clanton, AL on warrants for FTA-Trespass 2nd and FTA-Theft of Property 3rd. He was booked into the Coosa County Jail with a \$970 cash bond.

Recent News

Operation Cleanup Coosa County

Sheriff Michael Howell is pleased to announce the creation of a Litter Abatement Program.

On Tuesday, March 9, Howell presented the Coosa County Commission with a proposal to create a litter abatement officer. The commission unanimously voted to allow Howell to develop the program and start utilizing this newly created position.



This officer will have the responsibility of supervising individuals sentenced to the Coosa County Jail as they clean up trash from Coosa County roadways. This officer will also investigate and initiate prosecution for person(s) responsible for the illegal dumping of trash.

The Coosa County Sheriff's Office encourages citizens to report known person(s) participating in illegal dumping. These tips can be anonymous using the anonymous tip link at www.coosacountyso.org by contacting the Sheriff's Office at 256-377-4922.

Sheriff Howell states that this is not an overnight solution to the problem, but his office will work hard to stop illegal dumping in our county.



Litter and dumping such as this seen on Carlton Road will soon be handled on a regular basis as the County Commission and Sheriff's Office will begin utilizing a litter abatement officer.

Sheriff's Office Adds Vehicles to Fleet

The Coosa County Sheriff's Office patrol vehicles have taken on a new look.

Sheriff Michael Howell stated that the Sheriff's Office was able to purchase four new vehicles this year. He says this was made possible because of numerous reasons.

He said he was able to apply for a grant and receive some funding to help make this possible. He states he has a strict budget, but was able to make changes and save money in order to purchase the vehicles.

"The vehicle fleet for the Sheriff's Office has had some issues," Sheriff Howell said. "We have vehicles that have more than 200,000 miles on them. We have had a lot of mechanical problems, as well."

"I'd also like to thank the Coosa County Commission for helping the Sheriff's Office purchase and equip our new patrol vehicles," Howell added. "This will help our county out tremendously. We will save money on maintenance, and it will also provide our deputies with a safer vehicle that is more dependable."



Members of the Coosa County Sheriff's Office stand between two of the newly acquired and equipped vehicles that have been added to their fleet recently.

12 The Nicest Thing Anyone Ever Did

As I think back on my life, there have been so many people who have done many thoughtful acts of kindness for me. I could probably write a series, but I won't. I do; however, want to mention a few of them before I tell you about the greatest of all acts of kindness.

I started out with nothing, and as they say, I still have most of it! My family did not take vacations, so I could pretty much be like the ole boy who loudly and proudly proclaimed, "I ain't never been nowhere!" Because of the generosity of a friend's mother, at age fifteen, I saw a beach and an ocean for the first time. She invited me come along with her and her son on my first real vacation. We visited Colonial Williamsburg, VA, Virginia Beach, and stopped for a couple



Bro. Bill King Columnist

of nights in Gatlinburg on our way home. All at no cost to me. In many other ways, and many other times, she treated me like one of her own.

My father died in my early youth, and my mother did not have the means to send me to college. I did; however, attend and graduate from college and seminary. Financially, that was possible only because of scholarships and financial aid available to students like me. Those helps were funded by individuals (perhaps like you), institutions, and my church's denomination.

At age 34, I bought my first house. I could assume payments, but I had to pay \$4000 up front. It might as well have been ten times that amount, because I didn't have it. A man who was no kin to me, but had become like a father, gave me the money. I said, "I can't accept this, because I don't know when I can pay it back." He said, "Did I say anything about paying it back?"

In 2007, about the time the housing market crashed, we put our house on the market and moved to Opelika. We couldn't give our house away in that market, but thankfully Providence Baptist Church invited us to live in their Mission Home while we sold ours.

My precious wife, Jean, has been by my side during most of those happenings. I can't begin to name all she has done for me, and the numerous sacrifices she has made. Her becoming my wife, my love, my best friend, and giving me 45 years by my side, was the second-nicest thing anyone has ever done for me.

Long before any of these things, someone gave me the greatest gift of all time. American soldiers gave their lives for me, so I could freely live in this great country. For that I am thankful, but there is someone who gave his life for me, so I could live forever in heaven. After being beaten half to death, mocked and bullied, Jesus died a slow and brutal death by crucifixion. He paid a debt he did

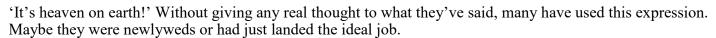


not owe, to give us a gift we do not deserve. On Good Friday, we remember his death and give thanks for his sacrifice for us all. On the third day after his death, he rose from the dead. While many others have done some wonderful things for me, nobody ever gave as much as Jesus. He not only gave his life for me, but the really great news is that he did that for us all. This weekend, we celebrate what he did. May this be a great time of thankful celebration for you. Happy Easter!

Devotional

Heaven On Earth

By Pam Ford Davis



Heaven on earth?

Though they had reason to celebrate the experiences were not even close.

"And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.

And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth (Luke 11:1-2 KJV)."

I can only imagine... What would it be like if the Father's will was being done here in earth? Surrender comes at a high cost.

"And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it?

Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it, all that behold it begin to mock him,

Saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish.

Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand?

Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace.

So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple (Luke 14:27-33 KJV)."

Scripture Encouragement

"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."

Galatians 2:20 KJV

Smart Phone App

To download the app.

- Go to your app store
- Search and download the Mobile Patrol app
- Open the app and select Alabama
- Under Agency select Coosa

Some information in the app includes the Jail Population (Detention), Outstanding Warrants, Crime Tips and the Most Wanted in Coosa County as well as general contact information



County Calendar April Of Events

24	7 am - 2	Weogufka Mule Day
	pm	
26	All Day	Confederate Memorial
		Day– SO Off





Central Coosa Baseball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Level	Time	Where
1	Fayetteville	٧	4:00	Home
6	Comer	٧	4:00	Home
8	Comer	٧	4:00	Away
13	Vincent	٧	4:00	Home
15	Vincent	V	4:00	Away

Central Coosa

Softball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Level	Time	Where
5	Horseshoe Bend	٧	4:30	Away
6	Childersburg	٧	4:30	Home
7	Fayetteville	V	4:30	Away
9	Talladega Central	٧	4:30	Home
13	Winterboro	٧	4:30	Away
19	Horseshoe Bend	٧	4:30	Home
20	Verbena	٧	4:30	Home
27	Talladega Central	٧	4:30	Away

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Contact Information you may need!

Take this page and post near your phone or computer for future use.

Coosa County Sheriff's Office Emergency Calls 9-1-1—All other calls 256-377-4922 Dispatch Option 1 Pistol Permits **Option 3 Option 4** Office Board of Registrar's Office..... 256-377-2418 Central Alabama Electric Cooperative 256-377-2498 Circuit Clerk's Office..... 256-377-4988 Commissioners' Office 256-377-2420 Coosa County E911 Office 256-377-1911 Coosa County Extension Office 256-377-4713 Coosa County Emergency Management 256-935-9484 Coosa County School Board 256-377-4913 Central Elementary School..... 256-377-1456 Central High School 256-377-4384 Alabama Forestry Commission 256-377-4638 County Highway Department 256-377-2261 Department of Human Resources 256-377-2000 District Judge's Office..... 256-377-4957 First Bank in Rockford..... 256-377-1000 Goodwater Town Hall 256-839-6301 Juvenile Probation Officer 256-377-2687 Revenue Commissioner's Office..... 256-377-4916 Rockford Post Office 256-377-4698 Rockford Town Hall 256-377-4911 Tag Office 256-377-4910 Water Authorities Kellyton Water Authority 256-234-4784 256-215-3546 Ray Water Authority Rockford Water Authority 256-377-4911

The Yellow Dot Program

The "Yellow Dot" program is designed to assist Alabama citizens and first responders in the event of an automobile crash or other medical emergency involving the participant's vehicle. The program can help save lives during the critical "Golden Hour" by improving communication at a time when accident victims may be unable to communicate for themselves. Pick up a "Yellow Dot" folder here at the Sheriff's Office, have your photo taken and printed.

A "Yellow Dot" decal on the driver's side rear window of a vehicle alerts first responders to check in the glove compartment for the corresponding "Yellow Dot" folder. Having this information following a crash helps first responders positively identify the person, get in touch with family or emergency contacts and ensures that the person's current medications and pre-existing medical conditions are considered when treatment is administered for injuries.

Project Lifesaver

Project Lifesaver is a radio transmission system designed to assist law enforcement and rescue agencies in locating lost or missing persons who have been diagnosed with Alzheimer's, Autism, Dementia, or other disorders that may prohibit them from communicating personal information such as who they are or where they live. Project lifesaver can help provide peace of mind to caregivers. However, it does not replace the need for supervised care.

The transmitter is a small circular radio device on a wristband, approximately the size of a wristwatch. The transmitters and wristbands are worn 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and are difficult to remove without the appropriate tools. If the participant becomes lost or missing, the Sheriff's Office and emergency response services have specialized tracking equipment to help isolate the location of the transmitter the participant is wearing. The search will start from the last known location of the participant and work outward until the transmission signal is obtained. The goal is to determine the location of the signal in a quick, timely manner, minimizing the risk of harm to the loved one.

CCSO is proud to participate, along with the other agencies in Alabama, in this very worthy and worthwhile program; Sheriff Howell says this is another way we will live up to out motto, "To Serve and Protect" and he is extremely proud to offer this great service to Coosa County!

<u>Neighborhood Watch Program</u>

A citizen's involvement program where citizens, in cooperation with their local law enforcement agency, directly participate in the detection and prevention of crime. These citizens keep well informed about their neighborhood and of any suspicious, criminal or dangerous activities that may be occurring. Coosa County has five communities that participate with the CCSO in this program. Their meetings are scheduled every month, the dates and times are indicated.

• April 5 - 6:00 PM - Union Square

• Canceled - 6:30 PM - Richville

• Canceled - 6:30 PM - Smyrna

• April 20 - 6:30 PM - Hanover

• April 22 - 6:30 PM - Weogufka