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'OFFICER OF THE YEAR' Kyle David

On Friday, February 24, 2023, Officer Kyle David received an award for being the 2022 "Officer of the Year" at the Optimist Club of Roseburg's 47th Annual Respect for Law Enforcement Banquet. This is an event where the Officers in the County are recognized for extraordinary performance and dedication.

Every day, thousands of officers across our country risk their lives and safety, as well as go above and beyond the call of duty. Officer David was one officer that has stood out this



last year not for a single isolated event, but a collective series of events that make him our honoree and officer of the year. Officer David truly acts,

behaves and practices those behaviors that are aligned with the future of our agency. He is humanistic and encouraging, achievement driven, and a great team member.



In 2022, Officer David responded to 1037 calls for service as the primary officer. He took 160 investigative cases, made 123 traffic stops and maintained an 88% clearance rate.

In the last year, Officer David became an Advanced Certified REID Interviewer, a Field Training Officer and a Child Sex Abuse

Investigator. He also teaches at the Umpqua Community College Reserve Program and continues to advance his own education by attending college. I am personally proud to have worked with Officer David over this last three years as a fellow law enforcement officer in the Cities of Sutherlin and Oakland specifically, but also as part of a larger team in Douglas County. ~ *Continued on reverse side*



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A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR SUMNER

I was in the process of determining what my message would be and imagined it as a review of our spring and summer projects. Then the snow arrived yet again, harkening me back four years ago to perhaps the most prolific snow event in our history.

So this morning I was filled with a sense of peace, accompanied by the confidence that we would be able to effectively respond to this early morning white surprise, should it evolve into another snow event comparable to 2019. You might have heard that City Council took the lessons learned from 2019 as presented to us by the City Manager and directed staff to complete the following actions:

1. In any declared emergency, the City must establish a response system through an "Emergency Operations Center." This then qualifies us for state and federal assistance and reimbursement of response expenses. The EOC was completed in 2021 which places Sutherlin as one of the very few cities our size with a fully integrated and operational EOC.



2. We learned in 2019 that having no facilities apart from the Fire Department capable of sustaining full-time operations during a power outage was crippling in our ability to not only respond to the event but to any sub-emergencies. ~ Continued on reverse side

BE PREPARED

Fire Division Chief McGarr ~ Volume 2

Carbon Monoxide (CO) is often called the invisible killer as it is an invisible, odorless, and colorless gas. CO is created when fuels burn incompletely. This is commonly found when burning wood, gasoline, coal, propane, natural gas, oil, and/or methane. In homes, heating and cooking equipment can cause CO when not functioning properly or when they are being used inappropriately such as an outdoor heater being used indoors. This is commonly found during times of winter storms when the power goes out. Safety officials always recommend following the manufacturer recommendations of where to safely operate stoves or other sources of CO. CO alarms should be installed in any home where there is natural gas, propane, or any other nearby CO sources including where you run a vehicle inside or near the garage (such as to warm up the vehicle). CO alarms should be mounted and maintained according to the manufacturer. CO alarms can be purchased online or through most hardware stores.

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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

March 8th is International Women's Day. One in five (19%) of your Sutherlin Firefighters are women. Sutherlin Fire Department would like to say thank you to the following Firefighters:

- Hailey Brown
- **Taylor Brown**
- Jaklynn Callas
- Melia Cuevas
- Kristi Gilbert
- Allison Green
- Brittnee Southworth
- Hayley Wesiner



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For his calm and professional demeanor when faced with life and death circumstances and decisions, his willingness to take difficult and challenging assignments, and his passion for training, teaching, and encouraging others at the City of Sutherlin Police Department, he deserved to be our choice as Officer of the Year at this year's 47th Roseburg Optimist Respect for Law Banquet. Congratulations Officer David! ~ Police Chief, Troy Mills

MAYOR Cont...

Additionally, we learned that there were no other spaces with back-up power to meet the need of our displaced citizens in need of food, shelter, and heat. Because of this, Council again directed staff to complete the purchase and installation of generators capable of providing power indefinitely in both City Hall and the Community Center.

- 3. In prolonged snow events, we had residential areas, especially in higher elevations such as those around Cooper Creek that were housebound for the entirety of the 2019 event. Council directed staff to invest in a snow-plow that is actively being used as I am writing this message.
- 4. Access to fuel was an additional burden with no power available throughout the region. We were able to sustain our response but could have very soon experienced a fuel shortage crisis. Council directed staff to construct/purchase a large refueling tank with built-in pumping capabilities always full and available.
- 5. Finally, we were literally on our own for initiating and sustaining a response with no communication whether by land-line, cell-phone, or internet. The new generators resolved the internet issue while we have entered into a contract with our cell-phone provider to guarantee cell access either through existing towers or bringing in a remote system for the City of Sutherlin.

These five completed actions are why I sleep better at night and I am hopeful you do as well.

Finally, congratulations to Officer Kyle David for being selected as our Police Officer of the Year.

BE INVOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Committee and Board Member Opportunities

Budget Committee Two vacancies – both terms ending 12/31/2025

Library Board Two vacancies – 1 term ending 12/31/2023; 1 term ending 12/31/2026

Planning Commission Two vacancies – 1 term ending 12/31/2024; 1 term ending 12/31/2026

Parks Advisory Committee One vacancy – term ending 12/31/2024

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 13th City Council Meeting – Civic Auditorium 7 p.m.

March 18th Tesla Grand Opening 11-2 p.m. (Next to Taco Bell)

March 21st Planning Commission Meeting – Civic Auditorium 7 p.m.

Daylight Savings Time March 12th!

Move your clocks ahead 1 hour.







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PHOTO ID REQUIRED

Battle of the Badges is a friendly competition among first responders to see who can recruit the most blood donors from their communities. Visit www.RedCrossBlood.org and use the sponsor code SutherlinPD to schedule and appointment, "cause" you're just our type!

Questions,

contact Ashlyn Lewis at a.lewis@ci.sutherlin.or.us

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



LET'S TAKE A WALK! National Walking Day



Thursday, April 6, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. come celebrate National Walking Day with a beautiful walk around Ford's Pond. Join us for a scenic 2-mile route and enjoy the latest additions to the paved walking path at the Pond. It's a great opportunity to get out and enjoy the community, meet new friends, catch up with old friends, get some exercise and learn about the planned improvements for Ford's Pond.

~ Event by Thrive Umpqua

Hello Spring

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Deputy City Recorder	541-459-2856 x 208	Public Works Utilities	541-459-5768
Community Development	541-459-2856 x 206, x 219	Sutherlin Municipal Court	541-459-4636
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