



Georgetown County Sheriff's Report

December 2008

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!!!

From The Sheriff's Desk

Holiday Tips

The holidays bring cheer, hope, and joy. Unfortunately, though, it can be a time when crime is more prevalent. We, at the sheriff's office, offer these holiday safety tips to help ensure you and your family have a safe and happy holiday season. Please take time to read these tips and share them with your family and friends.

If you're shopping:

- Stay alert and be aware of what's going on around you.
- Deter pickpockets and purse-snatchers. Don't overburden yourself with packages. Carry a purse close to your body, not dangling by the straps. Put a wallet in an inside coat pocket or front pants pocket.
- Never leave your purse in a shopping cart or on top of the counter while you pay for your purchases. When using public restrooms, use extreme caution. Try to avoid putting your purse on hooks or door handles.
- Never carry large amounts of money. Whenever possible, use credit cards or checks instead of cash.



Sheriff A. Lane Cribb

- Park in a well-lit area, and be sure to lock your car. Close windows, and hide shopping bags and gifts in the trunk.
- When returning to your car or to home, have your keys in your hand, ready to open the door.
- Before entering your vehicle, carefully check the front and rear seats and floors for anyone who may be hiding inside. Lock car doors immediately after entering your vehicle.
- Shopping with children? Teach them to go to a store clerk or security guard if you become separated.

Secure your car:

- Park your car as close to your destination as possible and in a well-lit area.
- When you do your shopping, if you take packages to the car but plan to return to the store or mall, drive to and park in a new location within the parking lot.

If you're out for the evening:

- Turn on lights, a radio, or TV, so it *appears* someone's at home.
- Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave, even if it's just for a few minutes.
- Don't display gifts where they can be seen from outside.

If you're traveling:

- Get an automatic timer for your lights.
- Ask a neighbor to watch your home and to park in your driveway from time-to-time.
- Don't forget to have mail and newspaper delivery stopped. Or, ask your neighbor to get it for you.

Sheriff's Office Participates in Christmas Parades

On Saturday, December 6 and Sunday, December 7, Georgetown and Murrells Inlet held their annual Christmas parades. Spectators lined Front Street in Georgetown and Hwy 17 in Murrells Inlet, hoping to catch a glimpse of Santa Claus. Several employees of the Georgetown County Sheriff's Office participated in both parades.



October 2008 Monthly Report

Calls for Service	3101
Reported Incidents	556
CDV Incidents	44
Warrants Received	251
Warrants Recalled	65
Warrants Served	166

Reportable Incidents		
Murder	0	Burglary 61
Forcible Rape	0	Larceny 90
Robbery	3	Motor Vehicle Theft 05
Assaults	13	Total 172

*Reportable Incidents are sent to the National Incident Based Reporting System.

**Happy Birthday to these
Sheriff's Office, Detention Center, and
Central
Communications Employees!!!**

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| <i>Gary Todd</i> | <i>Kathryn Edwards</i> |
| <i>Bill Toomer</i> | <i>Joseph Wilson</i> |
| <i>Chuck Weaver</i> | <i>Tyrone Parson</i> |
| <i>Jesus Garcia</i> | <i>Martin Grice</i> |



NEED A DEPUTY?

IN AN EMERGENCY, ALWAYS DIAL 9-1-1
For non-emergencies, Monday through Friday, 8:30am until 5:00pm, call 546-5102. Nights & Weekends, call 546-5101.

Sheriff's Office: 546-5102

Emergency: 9-1-1

24-Hour Tip Line: (843) 436-6060