

Sundre RCMP Report, December 21, 2016

Your local RCMP detachment members and their support staff would like to wish everyone in the Sundre detachment area a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Please have a safe and happy holiday with friends and family.

Sundre RCMP Seek the Public's Assistance for Sign Thefts

Between the dates of October 22th – 29th, 2016 Alberta Auction Services had roadside signs stolen from the area of Highway 27 and Highway 760 (Bergen Road South). More recently, on December 10, 2016, another of their roadside signs was stolen near the intersection of Highway 27 and Range Road 40. During this occurrence a game camera that was installed to monitor the signs was also stolen. Anyone with information on this crime is asked to contact the Sundre RCMP detachment at 403-638-3675. You can also call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). All information will be kept confidential. Crime Stoppers may pay a reward for information that leads to an arrest, recovery of stolen property, seizure of drugs and the location of wanted persons.

AMVIC Investigation Leads to Personation Charge

The Alberta Motor Vehicle Industry Council (AMVIC), who is the delegated regulator of the motor vehicle industry in the Province of Alberta, were investigating the unlicensed activities of a local Sundre couple last month. During the course of AMVIC's investigation, the man allegedly identified himself to the AMVIC investigator that he was a serving member of the RCMP. This information was verified to the AMVIC investigator by the RCMP Sundre Detachment commander as false. The man is not a member of the RCMP nor was he ever a member of the RCMP. Charles Gow (38) of Sundre was criminally charged for Personation of a Peace Officer. He is scheduled to appear in Provincial Court in Didsbury on January 16, 2017.

Snake Oil Car Saleslady

Last month a young man from Olds attended Sundre to view and possibly purchase a used vehicle from a local woman. Upon viewing the vehicle, the young man had questions about the road worthiness of the vehicle. The woman provided the man a mechanical certificate to prove that the vehicle was road worthy. This document swayed the deal in her favour and the young man purchased the vehicle for a couple thousand dollars. The young man had the vehicle transported back to Olds and took the vehicle to his mechanic for further inspection. The vehicle failed the inspection miserably and should not have been on the road. The young man took the matter to police. The investigation revealed that not only did the woman use a falsified mechanical inspection certificate, she also used a fake name to swindle the young man out of his money. Alia Kristina Parsons (28) of Sundre has been criminally charged for Fraud, two counts of Utter a Forged Document and Providing a False Receipt. She is scheduled to appear in Provincial Court in Didsbury on January 16, 2017. Shame on you, Mrs. Scrooge!

A Big Thank You to Our Local Businesses for their Generosity

In an effort to increase awareness of rural dangers and reduce farm-related accidents, the RCMP Sundre Detachment is once again working with Community Safety Net. Community Safety Net (CSN) is a family-run, values-oriented organization that produces a series of educational safety resources created especially for kids. To date, more than three million children in communities across North

America have benefited from CSN materials. A similar initiative was done last year with the local RCMP and CSN which provided educational material to kids on Drug Safety. This year we are embarking on an educational rural safety initiative for our local kids. The National Committee for Childhood Agricultural Injury Prevention estimates that more than 100 children die and another 100,000 are seriously injured annually in North American farm accidents. Of those injured, 50% do not actually live on a farm — a statistic that underscores the need to provide rural safety education for all children living in rural areas. The kids will be receiving this resource through the generous support of our local businesses and organizations. Your local detachment would like to extend a big thank you to all that supported this initiative.

Sundre Santas' Charity Checkstop

Members of the Sundre RCMP participated in the annual Sundre Santas' Charity Checkstop on December 14th which was organized by the Greenwood Neighbourhood Place and involved several other groups. The original date of December 9th was originally postponed due to the frigid temperatures. The weather was slightly better but still cold yet despite this and the date change, the event was a success. Thank you to all for your generosity.

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