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Photo: Lt. Terry Harper

Updates from your Morrow County Sheriff's Office



# Your MCSO

## current topics >>>

### MC Emergency Management - Wildfires

*John Bowles, the Morrow County Undersheriff, is also the Morrow County Emergency Manager. Besides helping us all in battling COVID-19; he is now also keeping us informed on the many wildfires that are burning across the region.*



[www.facebook.com/MorrowCountyEM/](https://www.facebook.com/MorrowCountyEM/)

Please be a responsible adult:

**Wear a mask**

**Keep your distance**

**Wash your hands**

[www.facebook.com/MorrowCountyEM/](https://www.facebook.com/MorrowCountyEM/)

<https://govstatus.egov.com/OR-OHA-COVID-19>

### **MCSO Mission**

"To promote and maintain the protection of the people and their property and to enhance the livability of Morrow County for all citizens."

### **Copper Theft Leads to Two Arrests**

A recent copper-wire theft, estimated at \$9,000 from equipment parked in the mountains, was solved and the suspects arrested because of a thorough investigation.

About 2,000 feet of cased copper wire and about 200 feet of conductor wire, and other misc. items were taken. The investigation involved several different deputies all working together. Investigation, interviews, follow-up and persistence got the case solved.

"The fact that they were actually able to catch who is responsible, says something good about our Sheriff's Office" – 4R Equipment.

"I'm very happy that our deputies continue to serve our citizens and community at such a high level of excellence." – Sheriff Ken Matlack



Sheriff Ken Matlack

### **Support your local Sheriff**

Please Visit  
**Oregon State Sheriff's Association**

[oregonsheriffs.org](https://oregonsheriffs.org)

**Helping offenders  
get back on track  
to a better life**

**P&P Staff:**

Director: Dan Robbins  
Deputy Gina Wilson  
Deputy Curtis Harper  
Work Crew Supervisor:  
Patrick Keely

**The MCSO Parole and  
Probation Division**

currently supervise 111  
offenders, 73 of which  
are considered  
medium/high level  
offenders. Some are able  
to join work crew in lieu  
of jail time, or to pay  
court fines or  
supervision fees.

## **MCSO Parole & Probation**

**Supervision**

We provide the highest  
level of supervision, to the  
offenders who present the  
greatest risk to our  
communities. We build  
relationships with those that  
need it most, encourage,  
reinforce good conditions and  
intervene when appropriate.

**Community Service work**

Our Work Crew operates 4  
days a week. It provides  
valuable work experience  
and guidance  
to offenders and helps our  
communities with  
public projects. This  
creates a win/win  
situation for all of  
Morrow County

**We supervise  
adult offenders  
on parole,  
probation  
and post-prison  
supervision.**

### **AlertSense**

Get **Emergency notifications** on  
your home or mobile phone, you  
can be notified by text, voice,  
email.....whatever method YOU  
choose.

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**For more information, go to**

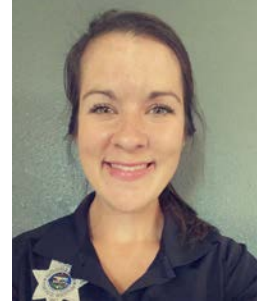
**[www.co.morrow.or.us/sheriff/page/  
emergency-notifications](http://www.co.morrow.or.us/sheriff/page/emergency-notifications)** or

**<https://publicalertsense.com/SignUp>**

### **Get to Know MCSO**

(bold & checked – featured in this issue)

- Patrol Division
- Criminal Division
- Drug Task Force
- ✓ **K-9 Program**
- ✓ **School Resource Officer Program**
- Reserve Deputy Program
- Communications Center ( 9-1-1)
- Marine Patrol
- ✓ **OHV Park Patrol**
- ✓ **Emergency Management**
- Search and Rescue
- Administrative Division
  - Civil Unit
  - Records Unit
- ✓ **Parole and Probation Division**
  - **Community Service Work**
- Code Enforcement



Deputy in the

## **SPOTLIGHT**

**Parole & Probation Deputy Gina Wilson**  
with MCSO since 2015

1. **Most unusual job?** One week as a Bus  
Driver, mirrors didn't stand a chance on the turns!
2. **Favorite charity?** Save the Children
3. **Hobbies?** Time with family, hiking,  
photography and relaxing on the river.
4. **Dogs, Cats or?** Dogs
5. **Favorite family tradition?** Taking silly  
themed pictures for annual Christmas card.
6. **If you could visit anywhere in the world,  
where would you go?** Better to stay put, and  
have a bonfire with good company!
7. **Favorite dinner and/or treat?**  
Too many to choose from!
8. **Pet peeve?** Using **your** –vs- **you're**
9. **Who would you swap places with, for a day?**  
Somone on the International Space Station!
10. **Favorite Book and/or Movie?**  
Don't Mess with Zohan – I love hummus,  
and that movie is hilarious!
11. **Mountains or Beach or both?**  
Mountains, but Beach once a year.
12. **Hometown?** Morrow County
13. **Favorite color?** Green
14. **Which two people, living or dead,  
would you most like to have dinner with?**  
My mother, of course! And Anne Frank  
what an empowering and inspiring lady!
15. **#1 on your bucket list?**  
Dive to Shipwreck!



### OHV Park Patrol

The Morrow/Grant Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Park covers 8,200 acres in the Blue Mountain foothills about 35 miles South of Heppner. The Park has about 300 miles of trails that are marked for Jeeps, side-by-sides, ATV's and motorcycles. The Park is also open to horseback riding and bike riding in the summer and snowmobile riding and cross county skiing in the winter. The Park is open and patrolled May – November each year.

Deputies Mike Wilson and Todd Hoodenpyl work full time, Deputy Dick Stokoe works part-time. Two of the deputies stay overnight at the park during their work week and are available 24-hours as needed. The deputies spend their time ensuring the safety of the visitors, by patrolling the trail systems, staging and camping areas. Patrols are watching for infractions, safety violations and trail safety and make fire watch a priority as well.

Did you know???

### **History bites from MCSO...**

**Clarence John Davis Bauman** was elected to serve as the Sheriff of Morrow County **for 40 years straight.**

He served all but 3 of those years, which he spent serving in the Navy from March of 1943 – March of 1946.

**Sheriff Bauman served Morrow County  
1929 - 1969**

## **TELLY's TALES...**

### *K-9 adventures*



Do you know me?  
I have my own  
**Instagram Page!**

**Follow me at:  
k9\_telly**

Telly says we can all be on . . .

### **Neighborhood Watch**

- ✚ Be alert of suspicious activity
- ✚ Be aware of strangers in your area
- ✚ Watch for unfamiliar vehicles

Don't attempt to take things into your own hands, or put yourself in any danger. Please Report Suspicious Activity to the Sheriff's Office.

- ✚ Descriptions of persons and/or vehicles
- ✚ Direction of travel
- ✚ License plate number if applicable



**If you see something. . . say something**

Call dispatch 541-676-5317 / Emergency 9-1-1

**Morrow County ~ Strong Together**



# final thoughts...



## **MCSO** **School Resource Officers**

Our SRO Program has two deputy positions which serve the Morrow County School District, in Irrigon and Heppner and the Ione School District.

Deputies Aaron Haak and Ken Kippley provide SRO Services. Deputy Kippley is currently deployed in Kuwait, but will be returning soon. In the meantime other deputies will temporarily fill in for him.

We provide regular deputy presence in the schools, not only to assist with any day to day issues that occur, but to build a relationship and rapport with the students.

The students have the opportunity to get to know the deputies, see them at school daily (on a normal year) and provide a positive influence in their lives.



Our deputies tell us that they benefit greatly from getting to know, and interact with the wonderful students at our schools.

~ Protector ~

~ Mentor ~

~ Educator ~

~ Cop ~

MCSO ~ SRO's

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## **TEAM**

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Everyone

Achieves

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