

Community Partnership Connection



Scammers Going "Phishing" ... It's Not Your Day in Court!

"Hereby you are notified that you have been scheduled to appear for your hearing that will take place in the (name of court) at 09:00 am." Signed, the Clerk to the Court.

Sound official? Emails like this may be sent to you in an effort to try to convince you, the concerned or curious citizen, to click on the supposed "court notice."

Don't do it.

Scammers send convincing-looking fake emails with links or attachments they want you to click. When you do, you could end up downloading malware onto your computer.

Malware is short for "malicious software." It includes viruses and spyware that gets installed on your computer, phone, or mobile device without your consent. These programs can cause your device to crash and can be used to monitor and control your online activity. Criminals use malware to steal personal information, send spam, and commit fraud.

If you get an unexpected email like this, delete it. Don't click on any attachments or links. If you're not sure whether it's real, contact the court, company, or agency it named in the email directly.

Source: Federal Trade Commission



But what if you already clicked on the attachment?

- **Stop shopping, banking, and doing other online activities that involve user names, passwords, or other sensitive information.**
- **Update your security software; then run it to scan your computer for viruses and spyware. Delete anything it identifies as a problem. You may have to restart your computer for the changes to take effect.**
- **If your computer is covered by a warranty that offers free tech support, contact the manufacturer.**
- **If you can't solve the problem on your own, consider contacting a company that offers tech support on the phone, online, at their store, and in your home.**

Operation Dry Water 2014

The Washoe County Sheriff's Office will be working to increase awareness about the dangers of drinking under the influence on the waters of North Lake Tahoe this summer by participating in a national awareness and enforcement campaign called Operation Dry Water.

Operation Dry Water was launched in 2009 by the National Association of State Boating Law Administration and the United States Coast Guard. The campaign's goal is to increase boating safety by reducing drug and alcohol related boating accidents.

The Washoe County Sheriff's Office is one of hundreds of law enforcement agencies throughout the United States that are expected to participate.

North Lake Tahoe agencies also include the Eldorado County Sheriff's Office, Nevada Department of Wildlife and the United States Coast Guard.

This is the first year the Washoe County Sheriff's Office has participated in Operation Dry Water. As recreational activity on Lake Tahoe increases, the Sheriff's Office felt it was also important to increase our efforts to raise awareness about the dangers of boating under the influence. Participating in Operation Dry Water allows the Washoe County Sheriff's Office to become part of an enormous multi-agency effort to make Tahoe safer for everyone who wants to enjoy its waters. Throughout the weekend of June 27 through 29, Washoe County Sheriff's Deputies will be on the water at Lake Tahoe aboard Washoe County Marine 10. Deputies will be looking for signs of impaired boating and talking to boaters about the dangers of operating a motorized vessel under the influence.

Boating under the influence is illegal per Nevada state law. Alcohol use also presents many dangers to the recreational boater. U.S. Coast Guard data from past years shows alcohol use as a primary contributing factor to recreational boater deaths nationwide. Alcohol not only impairs a person's ability to operate a watercraft, it is also known to increase fatigue along with susceptibility to the effects of colder waters such as Lake Tahoe. A fun day on the Lake begins with a safe day on the Lake, and a safe day on the Lake begins with responsible boating. Lake Tahoe recreational boaters are also advised to check the weather before heading out on the water. Weather conditions may change rapidly on the Lake so it important to keep up with the most updated forecasts.

(See Page 3 for Boating Tips)



Get along little doggies! The Sheriff's Patrol Motor Unit lent a helping hand to over 50 cowboys and cowgirls as they made their way towards the Livestock Events Center as part of the Reno Rodeo Cattle Drive. (Photo courtesy of Bob Harmon)

The following four tips for responsible boating are from the National Association of Safe Boating Laws Administration and the United States Coast Guard:

Never boat under the influence of alcohol, drugs or medication. Alcohol use is the leading contributing factor in recreational boating fatalities.

Always wear a life jacket while boating. Eighty-five percent of people who drowned in a recreational boating accident were not wearing a life jacket.

Take a boating safety course. In accidents where the operator's instruction history was known, 73 percent of fatalities occurred on boat where the operator had not received any boating instruction.

Get a free vessel check every year. These checks reveal life-threatening problems even on boats owned by safe, responsible boaters.

Washoe Sheriff CERT Team Takes 1st Place in Northern Nevada CERT Rodeo!

The Red Rock Rattlers team, one of six Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) serving the Washoe County Sheriff's Office, took first place at the northern Nevada Regional CERT Rodeo held Saturday, May 10, in Carson City. Members of the team included Barry Hand, Janet Hand, Jan Hall, Sandy McGill and Sandra Petersen of Red Rock CERT plus Francine Donshick and Terry Donshick of Mavericks CERT team

There were a total of seven teams represented in the first Regional CERT Rodeo, including Carson City, Douglas County and Washoe County. Each team was tested on Team Building, Fire Extinguishing, Search and Rescue, Triage, and Incident Command. There were three teams from Douglas County, three from Washoe County and one from Carson City. Of the five categories tested, a Washoe County team took first place in four of them: South Washoe placed first in Triage, the Rail City Rescue (Sparks CERT) Team placed first in the category of Interior Search, and the Red Rock



Rattlers topped two of the categories; Fire Extinguishing and Incident Command. The CERT Rodeo provided a positive, hands-on teaching environment for our regional CERT members, as well as the opportunity to meet and work with CERT volunteers from across northern Nevada!

Photo: Back row, L to R: Francine Donshick, Janet Hand, Jan Hall, Terry Donshick, and Barry Hand.

Front row: L to R: Sandy McGill and Sandra Petersen.

Honor Guard Attends National Police Week

WCSO Honor Guard recently attended the Candlelight Vigil, Wreath Laying Memorial and Parade, and the National Police Memorial Ceremony on Capital Lawn in Washington D.C. in honor of National Police Week.



Above photo taken at the National Police Memorial in Judiciary Square.

Deputy Anne Christensen is touching her father's name - Reno Police Officer Michael Scofield, who was killed in the Line of Duty on September 26, 2002.

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***Dedicated Service in
Partnership with our
Community***



Washoe County Residents can now report crime from their iPhone or Android devices by installing the new WCSO app available for free from the Apple Store or Google Playstore.

HONOR GUARD 3rd ANNUAL Golf Tournament

Featuring: Longest Drive and Closest-to-the-hole challenges

Hosted by the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard



July 25th, 2014

11:30am check in/ Lunch Buffet, 1:30pm Shotgun start
\$100.00 per golfer includes lunch, cart, and practice bucket
Tournament will be played on THE HILLS course
at Red Hawk Golf and Resort

To Register: Email name, phone number of participants
to the following address:

wcsohonorguard@washoecounty.us



Red Hawk Resort and Club
6600 N. Wingfield Pkwy
Sparks, NV 89436



Sponsorship opportunities exist in the following areas...

- Hole Sponsor (w/Tee Sign) @ \$150.00
- Raffle/Auction Prize Donations
- Tee Bag Items for golfers (100 of each item needed)
- Charitable donation to Washoe County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard of any amount is appreciated.

FAQ of the Month!

I am a recreational target shooter. Where can I go to lawfully target shoot?

If shooters follow the congested area laws and ordinances, they are generally allowed to shoot in any area not designed as a "no shooting" or "congested area." The Washoe County Sheriff's Office provides information on the Washoe County ordinances and Nevada Revised Statutes that govern the discharge of firearms at:

<http://www.washoesheriff.com/sub.php?page=congested-areafirearms-discharge-maps>

The webpage also includes a live map outlining the congested areas and a printable safety brochure.