



## Cops Corner by Dustin LaFord

I have received several suggestions from concerned citizens regarding our Town youth standing and walking down the middle of the street. I realize this is a small community and we do not have an overwhelming amount of traffic flow through town. However, it is still a safety concern especially with the younger children. I encourage all our YOUTH to use prudent judgement or take the extra time to use the cross walks and walk as far right of the road as possible to prevent any accidents or tragedies.

I have spoke with personnel from both the Fire Department and Mercy Flights. We all agree that it is very difficult at times to locate the correct addresses in Town during an emergency situation. This is do to several homes in Town not having (house numbers) that are clearly displayed. In some cases there aren't any numbers at all. This makes it difficult to locate your address, especially at night. This could result in a personal safety issue for you and your family. By having clearly displayed numbers on houses, it would help assist Fire, Medical and Policy personnel, and ensure a more prompt response to your needs.

I wanted to take a moment to give praise to the Town's Youth for the safe and uneventful Halloween night. There was not one call for service in regards to vandalism. Great Job!!!

Until next month...Merry Christmas and have a Happy, Safe New Year.

**SHHH... I have an Idea...**

How about filling a stocking for our local volunteer firefighters to show your appreciation for everything they do?

# TOWN NEWS

## Active Club News

Haunted House...one word to describe it...SUCCESS!! We had a great time with the haunted house this year. So you can plan on one again next year. ONLY BETTER!! I want to personally thank the Active Club Members and all the volunteers that helped make it a success. It could not have been done without you. THANK YOU!

Santa Night...will be on December 15th...Saturday. Our free dinner was such a hit last year, that we plan to do it again. So, dinner will be starting at 5:00 PM and Santa will arrive at 7:00 PM. In between that time there will be things to do upstairs, music, silent bid and raffle for two decorated trees, Christmas trees for sale, Christmas stories for the children and a few different scenes to have your picture taken with your family for Christmas. We will be charging a small fee (50 cents) for each picture taken, except the usual pictures of the children with Santa are free. At this writing this is what is planned so far, but things are subject to change, and it would only be for the better. So we hope to see you at the Community Hall on that day and celebrate Christmas and a New Year with us. Now is the time everyone needs to come together and rejoice.

Lori Paxton...Active Club President

Butte Falls Active Club is in need of donations for Santa Night... You can give a financial gift or ask Lori Paxton at the City Hall what else is needed!

## Book Fair Success

By- Julie Freeman

A huge thank you to parents & community members who helped support the Scholastic Book Fair this year. A special thanks to those who participated in the Classroom Wish List program!

The Book Fair is held every fall in the Elementary Library. A percentage of all purchases goes towards the Outdoor Education program. The Wish List program is an opportunity to purchase books for classroom use.

Thanks again for your great support!

## Town Clean-Up Not What It Should Have Been.....

We had our Town Cleanup week the second week in November, and it went not so well. We had items dropped off that were unacceptable, tires and propane tanks, etc. When the bins were overflowing, people would dump their stuff right in the middle of the road way and leave it. Apparently the signs telling you where to drop things off didn't work. Because of this, we had to close the Recycle Center early on Saturday and most of the following week. We are sorry for the inconvenience that this may have caused by closing early, but there was no choice, we had run out of room. It took days to clean it up and cost the Town over \$500 to haul all the stuff away. We are still stuck with the items that should not have been dropped off. The Public Works Department is thinking of not doing this next year, because of the mess that was created. Any ideas on how to make it better would help and we will rethink about doing it again. We would like to thank the few volunteers that helped try to keep it together.

Public Works Department



## Christmas Tree Lot

The Butte Falls Elementary/ Middle School Playground Committee will be having a christmas tree lot to raise funds for phase two of the new playground.

Along with trees, there will be refreshments, mistletoe, baked goods and lots of holiday spirit! The lot will be next to City Hall and open every weekend and part time during the week days.

Trees will be sold on a donation basis, and all proceeds going to the new playground. Thanks for our support!