#### From the Sheriff's Desk...

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ernment the kind of authority law enforcement has is for that purpose. The Declaration of Independence acknowledges that human beings have certain "self-evident rights" and that the primary role of government is to "secure these rights" after government has received its "just powers from the consent of the governed."

What this means to me is that a primary purpose of law enforcement is to protect individual liberty. We get involved when liberties are threatened by unlawful violence, thefts, abuse and the risky behaviors of others. And sheriffs, even more than regular police officers, also are involved in enforcing civil laws and performing search and rescue activities that are an answer to threats to the economic and life-safety issues of those within our jurisdictions.

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#### **Police/Court Abbreviations**

Abbreviations: A&D, Alcohol & Drug; DUII, Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants; BUII, Boating Under the Influence of Intoxicants; CCSO, Columbia County Sheriff's Office; DWS, Driving While License is Suspended; MIP, Minor In Possession of Intoxicants; MV, Motor Vehicle Accident; PCS, Possession of Controlled Substance; ODL, Oregon Driver License; FTA, Failure to Appear in Court; NTSI, National Traffic Safety Institute; DA, District Attorney; VIP, Victim Impact Panel; FF&A, Fines, Fees and Assessments.

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