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Community Notification: Level III Sex Offender

Port Orchard, Wash. – The Kitsap County Sheriff's Office is releasing the following information pursuant to RCW 4.24.550, and a Washington State Supreme Court decision in *State vs. Ward*, regarding public notification of the anticipated residency of convicted sexual offenders.

"The person who is named in this advisory has been convicted of criminal offenses that require registration with the sheriff's office in the county of residence," said Sheriff Steve Boyer. "Further, his previous criminal history places him in a classification level that reflects the *potential* to re-offend."

Name: Johnathon Daniel Roswell, white male, age 26.

Residence location: Roswell is presently incarcerated within the Washington State Department of Corrections. He is scheduled to be released from prison on Thursday, Dec. 23, 2010. He has provided a post-release residential address in the 23000 block of Ryen Drive NW, Poulsbo.

Description: 5' 10" ht., 165 lbs. wt., brown-colored hair and blue-colored eyes.

Community meeting: There will be a community notification meeting concerning Roswell at 7:00 p.m., Monday, Dec. 13, at Poulsbo Fire Department Headquarters, Station 71, 911 NE Liberty Road, Poulsbo.

Criminal history: According to court documents, in 2002 Roswell (age 17) sexually assaulted a 13 year-old girl known to him. He was convicted of rape, 3rd degree.

In 2003, Roswell (age 19) was convicted of child molestation, 3rd degree, for sexually assaulting a 14 year-old girl, also known to him.

In 2005 Roswell (age 21) was convicted of child molestation, 2nd degree, after sexually assaulting a 15 year-old girl known to him. Also in the same year he was convicted of communicating with a minor for immoral purposes, after attempting sexual contact with a 13 year-old girl who was known to him.

Roswell was considered high priority for sex offender treatment while incarcerated, however he refused to participate in the program.



Johnathon Daniel Roswell

This notification is not intended to increase fear; rather, an informed public is a safer public.

The sheriff's office has no legal authority to direct where a registered sex offender may or may not reside. Unless court-ordered restrictions exist, registered offenders are constitutionally free to live wherever they choose.

Sexual offenders have always lived within our communities. It wasn't until passage of legislation entitled the "Community Protection Act of 1990," which mandates sex offender registration, that civil authorities even knew where they were living.

Abuse of information provided through the sex offender notification process, in order to intimidate, harass or threaten registered offenders, will result in an investigation and the filing of criminal charges against the perpetrators. Such abuse could potentially end law enforcement's ability to conduct community notifications. The only person who 'wins,' if community notification is halted, is the registered sex offender, as sexual offenders derive their power through secrecy.

As of this date, there are 20,502 sex offenders who have registered as required and are living in the State of Washington. Of this number, 538 are living in locations within the unincorporated areas of Kitsap County, to include 13 transients, while 252 offenders are living within the limits of incorporated municipalities in the county and 98 are in jail or prison.

The sheriff's community resource officer, Deputy Schon Montague, is available to assist communities in establishing block or neighborhood watch programs and to provide the public with information on personal safety. He may be contacted at (360) 692-7746.

For further information on registered sex offenders in Kitsap County, please contact Detective Doug Dillard at (360) 337-5617.

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