



**RICHLAND COUNTY
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LEON LOTT, SHERIFF

Region Seven Newsletter

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Message from the Sheriff

The Palmetto State has made to the top of an unfortunate list. More children died in South Carolina than in any other state in the union from hyperthermia in 2018.

Almost every year, a child in South Carolina dies sweltering in a vehicle, forgotten by a caregiver. But 2018 marked the state's deadliest, with six needless deaths.

To be sure, none of the 2018 deaths happened in Richland County. But it has happened here most recently in 2015, which is why I make a point to highlight this pervasive issue every year during the hot summer months. There is no need to lose babies to such a preventable death.

Take the necessary steps to protect your children from the heat. Never leave your child unattended in a vehicle — not even for a minute. Limit sun exposure by keeping them indoors during the hottest times of the day; usually between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Slather sunscreen on your children, when they're playing outdoors, even when it's cloudy. Remember to repeat every so often.

And ensure your children are drinking plenty of fluids while playing outdoors. The bodies of small children are not able to regulate heat as well as adults. If your child is showing signs of heatstroke, do not hesitate to call 911. No South Carolina children have died from heatstroke so far this year. Help us keep it that way by doing your part.

[Sheriff Leon Lott](#)

RCSD MISSION STATEMENT

"It is our mission, as trusted public servants, to prevent crime and the fear of crime by providing excellence in law enforcement services, accountability and connections with our communities."



Capt. Plexico

Lt. Johnson

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Come join RCSD for fun filled community events!

Upcoming Events

No events scheduled for May.

Important Numbers

911: Emergencies and crimes in progress

252-2911: Non Emergency dispatch number

576-3000: Sheriff's Department.

576-3200: Alvin S. Glen Detention Center

576-1420: Region 7

576-3115: Victim Services

576-3151: Civil Process

576-1864: Code Enforcement

What should businesses do to avoid counterfeit money transactions?

- Properly train employees on how to spot, feel, and visually inspect money.
- Offer a black light system or pen system in which the employees can check the money.
- Implement a policy and procedure for employees to follow on how to report counterfeit money.
- Offer training to keep employees up to date on the latest counterfeiting trends.

For more safety tips please contact the Richland County Sheriff's Department Community Action Team at (803) 576-3191 or log on at www.rcsd.net and our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/OfficialRCSDPage>

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<u>NEIGHBORHOOD</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Summit HOA	May 7th	6:30 pm	3 Summit Terrace Ct.
Summit Safety Committee	May 9th	6:30 pm	305 RidgeTrail Drive
Candlewood	May 9th	7:00 pm	Polo Road Park
Woodlands Green	May 23rd	6:30 pm	Kroger

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1-888-CRIME-SC (1-888-724-6372)

WWW.MIDLANDSCRIMESTOPPERS.COM



Vacation Tips

When leaving town on vacation, stop by the Sheriff's Department HQ at 5623 Two Notch Road or go to our website at www.rcsd.net to fill out a Special Property Check Request form. We'll keep an eye on your home.

Leave a lamp and radio on a timer

Don't stop daily deliveries of mail or newspapers - but don't let them build up while you are away. Do not arrange for the Post Office to hold your mail, arrange for a friend or neighbor to take them regularly.

If we remain alert and aware of what is going on around us, we are less likely to be a target. Being prepared and taking a proactive approach can mean the difference between staying safe or becoming a victim.

Online Reporting
Department Profile

We're Online

@ www.rcsd.net

REGION SEVEN



REGIONAL NEWS

SFC ROBERT MORELAND



I was born and raised in Laurens County SC. I had a great childhood and excelled in school. I spent all my time in the woods hunting and fishing and still to this day I love being in the woods or on a lake. I started High School in 1980 and bought me my first Treeing Walker Coon Hound. That dog and I spent hours upon hours in the woods training. In 1981 I entered him in his first competition hunt and won first place. He went on to become a UKC Champion. 1984 was a busy year for me. I graduated with honors from high school, signed up in the delayed enlistment program for the United States Air Force, and qualified and hunted in the 1984 World Coon Hound Championship, held in Indiana that year. In 1985 I went to Texas for Basic Training, Security Police Training, M60 Machine Gun Specialist Training, and Air Base Ground Defense Training. Once completing these schools, I was stationed at Kunsan Air Base, South Korea. After being stationed at Shaw AFB in 1987, I met my future wife Stacey. We met at the sub shop where I used to work and where she was working at the time. 6 months later we got married and are in our 31st year of marriage. We had our daughter Erin in Aug 1991, she was a Desert Storm Baby. She is married and a registered Nurse these days. In 2003 while still active duty Air Force, I joined the Richland County Sheriff's Dept. Reserve Program. My last year in the Air Force we found out we were pregnant with a son, Michael. He will start High School next year at Ridgeview. I retired from the Air Force after 20 year, 6 days of active duty, but who's counting, and came on full time with RCSD in July 2005. I started out in Training Division due to an ankle injury. Once able to attend and complete the Criminal Justice Academy (Honor Grad), I was placed in the old Region 6. Promoted to M/D and went to Region 3. Promoted to FTO and trained Deputies for 3 years in all regions. Promoted to Cpl and was placed in the old Region 1. Promoted to Sgt and worked Region 1, Desk, Region 6, Full Time Desk, and currently working in Region 7 (C &D squads).

Region Seven would like to welcome Deputy Cato to the Region 7 family.