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# **SHERIFF**

## **CALAVERAS COUNTY**

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Sheriff Kuntz Wants You!**

As part of his "Community First" plan Sheriff Gary Kuntz is recruiting new Neighborhood Watch Groups in Calaveras County.

What is Neighborhood Watch? Neighborhood Watch is a program used throughout the nation where neighbors look out for each other. Assisted by Sheriff's Office employees, a neighbor opens his/her home to the neighborhood and a short but informative meeting is held. At the meeting such things as when to call 911 is discussed as well as a block captain is decided upon. Home Security is discussed as well. The block captain becomes the direct contact for a designated Sheriff's Deputy. A telephone chain is completed and Neighborhood Watch signs are handed out. Additionally, a Deputy Sheriff will be assigned to each Neighborhood Watch group to facilitate the sharing of information. It is a goal of the program to build a strong working relationship and that the mission of keeping our neighborhoods safe becomes a collaborative effort.

"I am very excited about getting this program up and running. In my view it is imperative to get our Sheriff's Deputies involved in the community and I can think of no better way than a strong Neighborhood Watch program" said Sheriff Kuntz.

If you are interested in starting a Neighborhood Watch group please call the Sheriff's Office at 754-6500. Your contact information will be taken and you will be contacted by a representative of the Sheriff's Office.