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Pat Garrett, Sheriff

PRESS RELEASE

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Deputies Looking for Stolen WWII Memorial Flag

May 6, 2014, Deputies are asking the public for information regarding the thefts of two flags stolen from a WWII memorial site. A U.S. flag and the flag of the 10th Mountain Division were stolen off a flag pole.

On April 24, 2014, a Washington County Sheriff's Deputy took a theft report from a man responsible for maintaining the Oregon Chapter of the 10th Mountain Division Veterans' memorial site located along eastbound Highway 26 near mile post 54. This is a small weigh station near the town of Banks that is operated by the Oregon Department of transportation.

These flags were used in the dedication of a memorial grove and fly over in honor of United States Veterans who have fought for our country. The 10th Mountain Division was the only US Army division trained in mountain warfare and to fight on skis in Italy. The memorial was established in 1995.

The items stolen were an American Flag and a flag representing the 10th Mountain Division. Both flags were flying from a secure flag pole. The flag pole and information placard were also damaged during the theft.



The 10th Mountain Division Flag is fairly unique. The logo is red crossed sabers on a blue back ground, with a white border in the shape of a keg with a red white and blue striped background (photo attached).

The Sheriff's Office is asking for the public's help in recovering the stolen flags. If you have any information regarding this theft, please call the Washington County Sheriff's Office at 503-629-0111.