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4th Annual “Striking Out Meth in Marion County” Scheduled

“Striking Out Meth in Marion County” will be held on Friday, July 17 at 6:00 p.m. at Volcanoes Stadium in Keizer. The Marion County Public Safety Coordinating Council, in partnership with Volcanoes Baseball, is organizing this evening celebration. Numerous community groups, local businesses and service clubs are returning as sponsors and participants for this fourth annual event.

This event recognizes and celebrates the community's efforts in the fight against meth. The event includes a Volcanoes baseball game, fireworks, family activities, displays, demonstrations, free t-shirts and prizes for children and positive messages. In addition, the popular “Passport to a Drug-Free Community,” will be back again. This incentive rewards kids for visiting the participant displays by getting their passport stamped at each participant table they visit. Once their passport is fully stamped, they will receive a souvenir Volcanoes baseball and photograph.

This year features a greatly expanded display of diverse public safety and emergency vehicles for kids and parents to explore together. Representatives from many of the area agencies will be on-hand to answer questions, stamp passports and help introduce kids to the roles of police, fire, and medical emergency responders in our community.

Area service clubs are also an integral part of this successful family event by sponsoring the “Bleacher Buddies” program, which helps local foster kids and foster parents to enjoy an evening of family fun at a professional baseball game.

County Commissioner Patti Milne, chair of the Marion County Public Safety Coordinating Council encourages families to join in this evening of celebration and recognition. Organizers are anticipating between 4,000-5,000 attendees this year.

“The great support from our community enables this event to continue to grow and to be the huge success it is each year,” Milne said. “This support is a clear indication of the commitment throughout our community to continue our successful efforts to battle the drug epidemic in our county. We are so grateful to our sponsors, participants, attendees, and especially Volcanoes Baseball for making this event a summer tradition.”

For more information on the event, call (503) 589-3264.

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