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Water testing scam reported in Essa

Nottawasaga OPP has received information that in mid-November, some residents were approached at their front doors by sales persons insisting that Essa Township requires home water systems to be tested two times per year.

the 'business representative' attempted to sell reverse osmosis systems.

The situation, which appears to be a 'sales pitch' tactic, was reported to the Essa Township Municipal Office. Municipal staff revealed they had not endorsed this action, includ-

ing the services of any private water treatment or testing company. The Ontario Clean Water Agency does carry out periodic testing at private residences or businesses that are connected to the Angus, Baxter and Thornton municipal water systems, and their staff will

provide photo identification to residents or businesses if requested to do so.

It is suspected that these business representatives are preying on the elderly or other unsuspecting residents to market the sale of their product. Essa has posted a notice on its website, warn-

ing the public accordingly.

If any residents of Essa or neighbouring municipalities are approached at their homes regarding water testing, it is recommended they contact their municipal offices for further confirmation before consenting to procedures.

Anyone with information

relating to this incident can contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122, or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477. Crime Stoppers is completely anonymous and does not subscribe to call display. Residents will not testify in court and may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$2,000.

Police launch Festive RIDE programs

On Sunday November 29th, all six police agencies in Simcoe County kicked off their 2009 Festive RIDE campaign at the Nottawasaga Inn in Alliston.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving's annual Red Ribbon Campaign.

South Simcoe Police Chief Bruce Davis and OPP Commissioner Julian Fantino were joined by top political leaders from across the region at this launch.

South Simcoe Police will be conducting RIDE programs every night during the holiday season. A team of six police officers have been dedicated full-time to the campaign.

Additional overtime officers will be complimenting the program, thanks to a grant from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services.

"Impaired driving is the leading criminal cause of death in this country," said Staff Sergeant Steven Wilson, who oversees uniform patrol in South Simcoe. "Our men and women take

this initiative very seriously."

In 2008, the South Simcoe stopped 6,105 vehicles during their Festive RIDE program, which resulted in 10 drivers being arrested and charged with impaired driving or driving over 80 milligrams. Sixteen other drivers has their licences suspended for 12 hours because they registered between .05 and .08 milligrams on a screening device.

This year, police have new legislation to help them keep roads safe. On May 1st, Bill 203, the Safer Roads for a Safer Ontario Act, was

proclaimed into law. Wilson, who was the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police representative on the working group tasked with implementing the new law, says it replaces 12-hour suspensions with escalating 'warn' range ones.

Drivers found to be operating within the warn range (.05 to .08 milligrams) will now receive a three day recorded suspension for their first offence. Second time offenders will be suspended for seven days and must participate in a remedial driving program. Drivers stopped for third time will have their

licence suspended for 30 days and will be required to install an ignition interlock.

South Simcoe Police will also be working with their colleagues from the OPP, York Region and Barrie Police throughout the month of December, conducting joint initiatives in all jurisdictions. These partnerships will provide police with additional resources to target high volume roadways.

Play a role in keeping roadways and waterways safe. Anyone who sees a suspected impaired driver is encouraged to call 911 and report the incident to police.

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Pedestrian struck by vehicle

The South Simcoe Police Traffic Unit is investigating a personal injury motor vehicle collision, which occurred just after 2 p.m. at the

Holland Street West and Toronto Street intersection in Bradford.

One of the vehicles turned left in front of another, strik-

ing it. The vehicle then spun out of control, hitting a pedestrian standing on the side of the road. The pedestrian was taken to an area

hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call police.

Break-ins take place in Alcona

South Simcoe Police

Impaired driver causes crash

South South Simcoe Police were called to a motor vehicle collision on Saturday November 28, in the late afternoon, near the intersection of Holland Street East and Morris Road in Bradford West Gwillimbury.

This collision involved a 2005 Subaru and 2006 Chevrolet van.

The officer spoke to both drivers and found the man operating the Subaru was showing signs of impairment by alcohol.

He was arrested and transported to the South Division station. He supplied breath samples that registered readings below the limit to be charged criminally, but high enough to warrant a three day driver's licence suspension.

The 37-year-old Bradford man was also charged with careless driving under the Highway Traffic Act, in relation to this collision. No injuries were sustained by either driver.

Vehicle stolen in Alcona
Residents are reminded

that the best way to combat thefts from vehicles is to ensure they are locked while parked, especially during the evening.

Residents in the 7th Line area of Alcona experienced a rash of thefts from vehicles this weekend. One vehicle was also stolen. The vehicles that were entered were left unlocked.

The stolen automobile has since been recovered, but the property that had been left inside is missing. Property was removed from the unlocked vehicles by the culprits, and have not been recovered.

A vehicle with an unlocked door or an open window is an easy target.

Protect a vehicle and its contents from theft by ensuring all valuables are removed from sight.

Border dispute
On Nov. 26, a 48-year-old Toronto man turned himself in to South Simcoe Police.

The man had attempted to cross the border into the United States when it became known that there was a warrant out for his arrest.

The bench warrant dated back to 1996 for failing to appear in court. The original charges were for impaired operation of motor vehicle, impaired care and control and drive while disqualified. He was taken for a bail hearing in Barrie.