



SHERIFF KOOTENAI COUNTY



SHERIFF **BEN WOLFINGER**

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Young Boy Sworn in as Special Reserve Deputy at the Kootenai County Sheriff's Office MEDIA RELEASE December 27, 2016

Landon Hill is a young boy from Kootenai County that was diagnosed with stage 4 Mestastic Neuroblastoma at the age of 2. He is now 3 ½ years old and is fighting strong. He has spent nearly the last 90 days in Seattle Children's Hospital undergoing treatment. He has endured extensive and difficult treatments but has continued to fight strong. The good news is that Landon has been able to come home for the Holiday season. Unfortunately, Landon has to return to Seattle to resume his treatment after the first of the year.

As you can imagine, treatment for this disease, as well as the travel expenses can be expensive. The Kootenai County Deputy Sheriff's Association will be presenting a check to Landon and his family to help with some of the expenses associated with Landon's fight against cancer. The money being donated was raised as part of the Kootenai County Sheriff's Office annual No Shave November fundraising campaign.

On Wednesday, December 28, 2016 at 12:00 pm, Landon and his family will be coming to the Sheriff's Office. He will meet some deputies in person and Kootenai County Sheriff Ben Wolfinger will be swearing Landon in as a Special Reserve Deputy. Landon will be presented with his badge and a certificate as well as given a tour of various parts of the Sheriff's Office.

The media has been invited to this event and the family will be available to answer questions regarding Landon and his brave battle against cancer. Landon does have some special needs so if you are ill or have been exposed to someone that is ill; please consider keeping your distance if you do attend. In addition, we will need to space things out a bit so the little guy does not get overwhelmed.

Sheriff Ben Wolfinger
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