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Safety & You at ISU

Sexual Assault Awareness Month April 2008

SPEAK OUT
Decide to End
Sexual Violence



The Annual Take Back The Night Rally will be April 25, 2008. It will start at 6:30pm with a march from the south side of the Bannock Co. Courthouse to the ISU Quad. Free T-Shirts, food and refreshments will be offered. There will be speakers and a free raffle with great prizes (airfare for two to Las Vegas, one night stay at Black Swan Inn, I-Pod, etc.). So please come out and show your support.

Do you Know ISU's lockdown procedures during an emergency?

During a lock-down faculty, staff and students should ensure that:

- ◆ Students and faculty remain in their classrooms.
- ◆ Keep back from any windows and doors, lay flat on the floor or seek protective cover for yourself and others (concrete walls, thick desks, filing cabinets. Cover may protect you from bullets).

- ◆ Remain calm and assist others with you in remaining calm, quiet and out of sight.
- ◆ Place signs in exterior windows to identify the location of injured persons.
- ◆ All doors, windows, and classrooms will be closed and locked or barricaded, if possible.
- ◆ Turn off all lights and close blinds.
- ◆ Silence all cell phones (don't turn off, just place in silent mode).
- ◆ Once in a lockdown area, building occupants should call 911 or Public Safety at 282-2515 and give the dispatchers the phone number(s) at which they can be reached for further instructions.
- ◆ **If you cannot get through by phone and have e-mail or text message capability, contact Public Safety at emergency@isu.edu.** Public Safety Dispatch will immediately receive and respond to the message.
- ◆ Account for everyone in the room or office.
- ◆ Do Not Approach Emergency Responders - let them come to you.
- ◆ Building occupants should remain in that area until they receive further instructions or an "all clear" is issued.
- ◆ No one will be allowed to enter or leave the building(s) or area(s).
- ◆ Parents, friends, concerned loved ones will not be allowed to pickup faculty, staff or students from the university, unless instructed to do so.

Public Safety officers and other emergency responders will remain near outside entrances, if possible without putting themselves in danger, to discourage others from entering the building (s) until proper authorities have issued an "all clear."

"The future belongs to those who believe
in the beauty of their dreams."

-[*Eleanor Roosevelt*](#)

Spring Safety Tips



**Know what's below.
Call before you dig.**

In today's modern living, many of the utilities to service our homes and businesses are now installed underground. Water, sewer, natural gas, power, telephone, cable TV, and fiber optic lines as well as petroleum pipe-lines and slough lines can be easily cut by digging equipment. You do have a legal and financial responsibility for damage to utility lines, so let's work together and keep things safe.



Dig Line, Inc. is a one-call center that will notify the member utilities in your area prior to working near underground utility lines and overhead power lines. (Please call Dig Line at **1-800-342-1585** two working days in advance.) The member utilities in turn, will mark their lines with paint marks and/or stakes. This is a free service provided by your utilities.

HOME FIRE SAFETY

- ◆ It is time for spring house cleaning. Now is the time to clean out and dispose of those old cans of paint and thinners and accumulated newspapers and magazines. Check your local newspapers for times and locations to drop off household hazardous materials.
- ◆ When you clean windows check them for ease of opening, you may need them as a means of exit in case of fire.

CHANGE YOUR CLOCK CHANGE YOUR BATTERY

- ◆ Change the battery in your smoke alarms and perform maintenance such as vacuuming and dusting as per manufacturers instructions.
- ◆ Remember proper placement of smoke alarms, with at least one on every level.
- ◆ Review and practice your home escape plan.

OUTDOOR SAFETY

- ◆ When using ladders, check for safe and proper placement. Be aware of any obstructions, overhead wires, electrical, cable, phone and tree branches.
- ◆ Check cords and outlets for fraying or exposed wiring on all electrically operated equipment.
- ◆ On gas operated equipment, check fuel lines and connectors for leaking fuel.
- ◆ Never use or store gasoline indoors.
- ◆ Fill lawn mowers, motorbikes and power saws outside and only when the motor is cool. Store gasoline in a cool place away from the house in a detached garage or shed, and always in an approved safety can.
- ◆ Keep gasoline and all flammable liquids away from children.



Idaho's "Move Over" Law!



Passing a patrol car or other emergency vehicle? Idaho Code 49-624 requires you to slow down and, if possible, move over to increase the margin of safety when approaching stationary law enforcement and emergency vehicles.

Aggressive Driving Responsible for 55% of Car Crashes in Idaho

Stats show Adults, as well as teens, are to blame

Aggressive driving is against the law. Fines for aggressive driving in Idaho range from \$62.00 to \$117.00. Traffic violations that result in points on your driver's record could result in license revocation and higher insurance premiums. The following are the top five aggressive driving behaviors in Idaho, according to ITD:

- Speeding
- Following too close
- Failing to yield
- Disregarding traffic signs and signals
- Driving too fast for conditions

For more information about aggressive driving behaviors and how to curb them, please call ITD's Office of Traffic and Highway Safety at 208 334-8100 or go to <http://itd.idaho.gov/ohs> (June 2006 Idaho Department of Transportation)