



# KLAMATH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## **Media Release**

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On December 16, 2020 Klamath County Sheriff Chris Kaber & Klamath County Commissioner Derrick DeGroot presented Oregon State Sheriff's Association Meritorious Service Award to Klamath County Sheriff's Office Dive Rescue Captain Mike Parsons.

Dive Rescue Volunteer Captain Mike Parsons has served the Klamath County Sheriff's Office Dive Team for over thirty-three years. He has been on thousands of missions, saved numerous lives and recovered countless items of evidence for aiding in the prosecution of criminal cases in Klamath County as well as other counties that have requested his services.

Captain Parsons has served as an ERDI/SDI instructor, teaching hundreds of hours in dive classes. Search and Rescue Commander, Lieutenant Brian Bryson stated: "His attention to detail is remarkable. Captain Parsons has helped dozens of divers achieve higher levels of certifications with his willingness to assist them with their classes and courses of study or teaching them himself."

For over thirty-three years Captain Parsons has answered the call for Klamath County Dive Rescue. This level of volunteerism has lasted longer than many law enforcement careers and continues to this day.

We thank Captain Parsons for his contributions and dedication in service to our community.



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(L to R) Sheriff Chris Kaber, Captain Mike Parsons, Commissioner Derrick DeGroot  
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