

DAGGETT COUNTY NEWS

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DOING BUSINESS IN DAGGETT COUNTY

Have you ever considered opening your own business? Do you know what it takes to succeed? Over 60% of new businesses fail within three years of opening their doors.

Most experts agree that the first thing to do before opening a business is to develop a Business Plan. A Business Plan takes a look at the goals and desires for your business, the nuts and bolts of what you plan to do and how you plan to do it so that it makes money. It also looks at your experience, interests, financial needs, the financial needs of the business, market conditions, competition, plans for marketing your product or products and many more items that will prove beneficial to your business.

There are times that during the preparation stages of a Business Plan it becomes obvious that opening this business would not be a wise idea. If this is the case, don't give up, keep learning and preparing for additional opportunities that may arise. If the numbers look good, you have the time, energy and resources to make a go of it, or you not sure whether or not you have a viable plan, then what do you do?

Daggett County has a Resource Library donated by UBAG, from which you can check out all types of business planning guides, marketing guides and management manuals. See Brian Raymond at the County Courthouse to check out books for a two week time

period.

Another source of information is the Small Business Development Center at Utah State University. Call them at (435) 789-6100. An online resource can be found at <http://utah.gov/business/startingbusiness.html>

You can also get information and required paperwork by calling the Clerk/Treasurer's Office at (435) 784-3154, the Assessor's Office at (435) 784-3222 or by visiting the county site at <http://www.dsdf.org/county/license.htm>

Another local resource is the Flaming Gorge Chamber of Commerce. The next meeting will be at the Red Canyon Lodge on Wednesday, June 4th at 7 pm.

SELF HELP HOUSING

The Uintah Basin Association of Government's (UBAG) is helping to bring affordable homeownership to Daggett County. Seven lots are available for the purchase and construction of homes for low to medium income families. You save money by putting in sweat equity of about 60% of the required work. If you have good credit and are interested in purchasing your own home, contact Lisa Nielsen at (435) 722-4518, (435) 789-7270 or ubaog@ubtanet.com.



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DAGGETT COUNTY AWARDED RCA GRANT

The Forest Service's Rural Communities Assistance Grant was awarded to Daggett County to rewrite the County Development Plan or Action Plan as it is sometimes called.

The Daggett County Economic Development Board will be holding a meeting

on the 24th of June at 6 pm in the Commission Chambers to begin working towards the completion of this important document.

Throughout the summer and fall there will be additional public meetings to receive input from anyone interested in the future of

Daggett County.

The action plan will be a guide for the future and a valuable resource as we apply for additional grant monies to continue to improve our county.

Call Brian Raymond at 784-3154 to get involved.

DAGGETT COUNTY JUSTICE COURT

Dutch John Precinct

Marijuana, Paraphernalia, and Your Driver's License!

Hey kids (and any adults who may be tempted to indulge in illegal drugs) did you know that if you are found guilty of possession of marijuana, paraphernalia, and other non-prescribed medications you will lose your driver's license for six months, even if you weren't driving a vehicle at the time?

Yes, Utah law says the Driver's License Division, upon receiving a record of conviction, on Title 58, Chapter 37, shall immediately suspend for six months, the license of the person convicted.

Title 58, Chapter 37 covers a broad area of drug-related issues, from occupations and professions involving medication dispensation, production and distribution of illegal drugs, all the way to paraphernalia. The most common charges seen in the Justice Court are for violation of less than one ounce of marijuana: 58-37-8 Subsection (2) (a)(I) ; and paraphernalia possession: 58-37a-5.

In brief, the controlled substance law states: "It is unlawful for any person knowingly and intentionally to possess or use a controlled substance, unless it was obtained under a valid prescription or order, directly from a practitioner while acting in the course of his professional practice. Controlled substance is any narcotic so designated by law. Any person who violates the above with respect to possession of less than one ounce of marijuana, is guilty of a Class B misdemeanor. Upon a second marijuana conviction, in the amount described above, a person is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor."

Manila Precinct

Freedom

There are a number of ways to have freedom. I see people working hard to make a living and get ahead in life, then they end up needing to use their hard earned money to pay fines. Because of breaking the law, they lose the freedom to use their money the way they would like to. Then if the violation is serious, they spend time in jail—losing their freedom to use their time the way they would like.

The choices we make in life really affect the amount of freedom we have.

I really hope the next time you are tempted to disobey a law, that you think of the freedoms you might lose. It could be money, time, health, friendship, respectability, or even your life.

Judge Claire Reed

Drug paraphernalia, defined under 58-37a-3 means "any equipment, product, or material used, or intended for use, to plant, propagate, cultivate, grow, harvest, manufacture, compound, convert, reproduce, process, prepare, test, analyze, package, repackage, store, contain, conceal, inject, ingest, inhale, or to otherwise introduce a controlled substance into the human body in violation of Title 58, Chapter 37" and includes, but is not limited to, a long list of twelve materials that fall into this category. You may wish to review this—it is quite extensive, and too lengthy for the purposes of this article.

These regulations have been in effect for several years, yet defendants appearing on these charges are often incredulous that they will no longer have their hard-earned driver's license if they are convicted under drug or paraphernalia statutes. These are considered class B misdemeanors, which means you could receive a fine of \$1000.00 and \$850.00 in additional surcharges, up to 6 months in jail, and last, but not least, lose your license for 6 months. Then you need to pay a reinstatement fee to the Driver License Bureau to get your license back.

Secondly, it's what is called an "enhanceable offense." This means each time you are convicted, the fines are higher, the jail time is longer, and the charge is raised up a notch. Example: one marijuana conviction is a class B, if it is less than an ounce. The second time you are convicted it is a class A (higher fines, longer jail time, and loss of license, again.) The third time, it is a red alert to the court that "this person has a definite problem and nothing seems to be working." At that point, the drug charge becomes a third-degree felony and besides fines of up to \$5000.00 and \$4200.00 in surcharges (totaling \$9,250.00!) you can receive PRISON time, which is a little different than jail. Oh, and you lose your license for another six months.

Is it worth it? Most people wouldn't think so. Please think it over very carefully next time someone offers you a joint, or you are attending a party where drugs are available. You can be charged with just being knowingly present in such a situation. These kind of charges can haunt you—if you wish to go into law enforcement, teaching, medicine, and many other professions, your record will be very carefully scrutinized. Not being able to drive for six months can also seriously impact your job and social life!

This column reflects the opinions of Judge Schneidervin and in no way purports to be a comprehensive guide to legal matters. Judge Schneidervin makes no representations as to the validity and accuracy of the information provided other than it is correct to the best of her knowledge. You are encouraged to seek competent legal counsel for any specific questions you may have.

DAGGETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

DAGGETT COUNTY JAIL HIGHLIGHTS NEW EMPLOYEES

Daggett County Jail has four new hires to fill the vacancies of previous employees who have relocated.

Heidi Roberts is from Douglas County, where she was a dispatcher. Heidi is the daughter of Wayne Brost at Spring Creek Ranch Bed and Breakfast, Minnie's Gap, Wyoming. Heidi has three children and has relocated to Manila, Utah. She will be starting the academy in July.

Terri Coggle moved to Daggett County from the Salt Lake City area. She has been employed at UBAG and the Youth Detention Center in Vernal, Utah. She has three children. She has been attending the academy and will graduate July 1st.

Welcome back Chris Collett. Chris is a previous resident who left us to work for the Fish and Game. Chris is living in Greendale, Utah. His family is still living in the Richfield area waiting to relocate to Daggett County.

Welcome back Ryan Brandt. Ryan comes back to us after working at IATS in Salt Lake City, Utah where he was a stage rigger. Ryan and wife Angie have two children and reside in Manila.

Welcome all to Daggett County. Good luck on your new jobs.

INMATE SPOTLIGHT

Inmate Faamasumu Tai or Tito, as most of the staff here know him, has been housed at the Daggett County Jail since 12-11-02. As soon as he had a chance to work, he took a job in the kitchen working under cook, Donna Lloyd. He has worked in the kitchen for close to 14 months in various jobs ending with his current job of cook. In the words of Donna, "Tito is very hardworking, dependable and has great leadership qualities. I never worry about leaving assignments to Tito, they are always completed and done right."

As for the staff's opinion, he is very respectful and has a positive attitude. He gets along well with both staff and inmates at our facility. It is our hope that Tito continues with the positive steps he has taken and makes use of them when he is done serving his sentence.



LEPC TIP OF THE MONTH – GUIDELINES FOR MAKING A FIRST AID KIT

This tip is brought to you by the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (www.ready.gov).

In any emergency a family member or you yourself may be cut, burned or suffer other injuries. If you have these basic supplies you are better prepared to help your loved ones when they are hurt. Remember, many injuries are not life threatening and do not require immediate medical attention. Knowing how to treat minor injuries can make a difference in an emergency. Consider taking a first aid class, but simply having the following things can help you stop bleeding, and prevent infection.

Things you should have:

- Two pairs of Latex, or other **sterile gloves** (if allergic to Latex).
- Sterile dressings** to stop bleeding.
- Cleansing agent**/soap and antibiotic towelettes to disinfect.
- Antibiotic ointment** to prevent infection.
- Burn ointment** to prevent infection.
- Adhesive bandages** in a variety of sizes.
- Eye wash solution** to flush the eyes or to use as a general decontaminant.
- Thermometer**
- Prescription medications** you take every day such as insulin, heart medicine and asthma inhalers. Rotate medicines to account for expiration dates.
- Prescribed medical supplies** such as glucose and blood pressure monitoring equipment and supplies.

Things it may be good to have:

- Cell Phone
- Tweezers
- Antacid
- Tube of petroleum jelly or other lubricant
- Aspirin or non-aspirin pain reliever
- Anti-diarrhea medication
- Syrup of Ipecac (use to induce vomiting if advised by the Poison Control Center)
- Activated charcoal (use if advised by the Poison Control Center)
- Scissors
- Potassium Iodide
- Laxative



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“CLICK IT OR TICKET” LAW ENFORCEMENT SAVES LIVES & PREVENTS INJURIES

Daggett County Sheriff's office was granted 40 Overtime hours by the State of Utah to participate in the “Click It or Ticket Operation ABC Mobilization” during May. Although this operation ends today, the laws still remain in effect and when obeyed can help save lives.

Everyone in America can participate in the National effort to save lives and prevent injuries by simply buckling up on every trip in a vehicle. It takes 3 seconds to protect yourself from a fatal crash. Don't be a sore loser, buckle your safety belt before time runs out. Thousands of deaths and injuries could have been prevented if every passenger involved in an accident had been properly buckled in their seat.

Utah Safety Restraint Guide from Utah Traffic Code

- Children 0 through 4 must be properly restrained in an approved car safety seat.
- Youths 5 through 18 must be restrained in a car seat or seat belt.
- Applies to all seating positions that are equipped with seat belts.
- Anyone under 19 years may be stopped and cited if unrestrained as a primary offense.
- Anyone 19 years and older may be cited only if stopped for some other violation (secondary offense).

- The driver is responsible for unrestrained occupants under the age of 16.
- Unrestrained occupants who are 16 & older will receive the citation.
- Only one citation per driver can be issued.

Penalty– The maximum fine of \$45.00 can be reduced to \$15.00 if the violator attends a Defensive Driving class.

Guidelines

Toddlers, at least 20 pounds to approximately 40 pounds should ride in a forward facing car seat, while young children, 4 to at least 8 years or 80 pounds (unless they are 4'9" tall) should ride in belt-positioning booster seats and children ages 12 and under are safest when properly buckled in the rear seat. Never place a rear facing infant seat or any child under 12 in the front seat when a passenger-side air bag is present. Always refer to the child seat and vehicle manufacturer's instructions for proper use & installation instructions.

It is against the law not to wear a safety belt in our state. Officers will be enforcing that law this weekend as well as all other times of the year, so be sure to buckle up. It can save your time, your money and your life. Buckle up America.

For more information call the Utah Safety Council at 801 262-5400 or go to www.buckleupamerica.org

