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Dear citizen, your contact with the Superior Police Department/Douglas County Sheriff's Office was part on a pay it forward/random act of kindness initiative. Together, the **Garrett Carr Memorial** and the **Rex Kern Memorial** teams are reaching out to you in hopes that you can help us keep Garrett and Rex's memory alive. They have purchased over \$2,000.00 in gift cards from local businesses. The Superior Police Department and Douglas County Sheriff's Office will be recognizing people by initiating contacts with citizens and distributing the gift cards. Contact with citizens can happen for a variety of reasons such as performing proper driving habits, being in need of assistance, or perhaps because you were observed doing something kind for another person. The gift cards will be distributed in the coming weeks with an emphasis around the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Please continue reading to learn more about **Garrett** and **Rex**.

On November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012 **Garrett Carr** lost his life in a tragic hunting accident at the age of 27, leaving behind two small children. Every year since his passing, a group of his friends put on an ice fishing tournament in his honor. Each year, the event has gotten larger. A portion of the proceeds from the event go to his children's whole life insurance policies. Another portion of the proceeds is distributed throughout the community in various ways in Garrett's memory. Team Carr has donated blaze orange hats bearing Garrett's name to hunter safety classes and they have shared his story to promote safety. They have also sponsored a plaque at the new sports complex at the Superior High School, as well as a \$1500.00 scholarship. This year Boarders Bar will be hosting the tournament on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016. You can learn more about this fundraiser on Facebook under TEAM CARR.

The **Michael "Rex" Kern Memorial** fund was established in 2009. Rex, as most people know him, was the owner of Jimmy's Saloon along with his wife Renee. Shortly after his passing, the Kern family started an annual golf tournament in his honor. Since its inception, this event has raised over \$30,000.00, that money being donated to various local organizations and people in need of support. Veterans, youth sports, Just for Kids Dental, local food shelf and the new sports complex are just a short list of the Rex's continued generosity years after his passing. The 7<sup>th</sup> annual Michael "Rex" Kern Memorial Golf Tournament was held on September 26<sup>th</sup>, again they had another great year, and are very pleased to join forces with Team Carr for this great cause!

In addition to just wanting to do something kind, these two groups also want to help foster better relations between the police and community by helping to create positive police/citizen interactions. These are two special groups, honoring two special people, and we are honored to be able to help them keep Garrett and Rex's memory alive!