

## Terrebonne children report suspicious man

*by Cheryl McDermott*

Parents have been informed to be on the lookout for a man who exhibited suspicious behavior and approached two ten-year-old boys after they were dropped off by a school bus on Monday afternoon in the Terrebonne area, deputies reported.

The man, a white male in his late 20s to early 30s, was described by the children as balding with short brown hair, wearing a white tank top and blue jeans. It is possible he has a goatee and mustache, a tattoo on his arm, and a scar or mark above his left temple.

He was driving a light blue compact passenger car with faded and peeling paint. The car of unknown make and model has been lowered, and the tires extend beyond the wheel wells. It has a distinctive welded chain steering wheel.

The boys told deputies that when they exited the bus about 4 p.m., they noticed the suspect vehicle drive all the way into Smith Rock State Park and back out to Wilcox Avenue a total of four times before they were approached.

“The suspect asked where the two were headed and if they wanted a ride,” Sgt. Chad Davis said. After they declined, the suspect left and didn’t return. The boys told deputies they had never seen the man or the suspect vehicle prior to the incident. An extensive search of the area was unsuccessful in locating the suspect.

Deputies ask that anyone with information regarding the incident, suspect, or suspect vehicle to contact the Deschutes County Sheriff’s Office at 541-693-6911.

“The Deschutes County Sheriff’s Office encourages all citizens to be vigilant in reporting suspicious subjects in their neighborhoods. In order to further assist law enforcement, the Sheriff’s Office would also ask the public to gather detailed vehicle and suspect descriptions, to include license plate information when reporting this information,” the news release stated.

Information on the safety of children may be found at [www.deschutes.org/sheriff](http://www.deschutes.org/sheriff).

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