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Today, Kootenai County Sheriff, Rocky Watson received a \$6,000.00 check from former Kootenai County Dispatcher, Joan Halverson to assist with the purchase and training of the Department's Canine, Iron.

Joan Halverson and her family gave the check in memory of her late husband, Dale, who was killed in a motorcycle accident on June 18, 2003 in Oregon. Joan was seriously injured in the same accident.

Joan Halverson told Sheriff Watson, "We want to give back to the community since the community gave so much to us when we were in need." Prior to the accident, Joan had worked as a dispatcher and dispatch supervisor for Kootenai County for 10 ½ years.

Pictured from left to right (as you look at the photo) are:

BACK ROW: Sergeant Mike McFarland, Todd Halverson, Edna Seaton, Lindsey Halverson, Lynette Luce, Brian Luce, Captain Dan Soumas

FRONT ROW: Deputy Jason Shaw, Deputy Nate Nelson, K-9 Iron, Joan Halverson, Sheriff Rocky Watson, Ted Halverson, Deputy Rich Lyons.

Rocky Watson, Sheriff

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