Douglas Count SAR looking for members

Douglas County Search and Rescue will soon have a training academy, and the team is looking for energetic men and women to join the organization.

DCSAR is a volunteer unit within the Douglas County Sheriff's Office. DCSAR responds to assistance calls for lost or injured persons in the mountains, desert, backcountry, and waterways of Douglas and surrounding counties. DCSAR also provides emergency assistance during natural disasters and large public safety emergencies.

Last year, DCSAR responded to more than 50 missions in Douglas and surrounding counties. The team responds to calls 24-hours a day, 365 days a year, but no single member is expected to respond to every event. Members are, however, expected to attend regular training sessions in order to develop and maintain effective skills.

Anyone who wants to help his/her community in times of emergency should consider applying to the DCSAR team. Outdoor and basic medical experience is helpful, but not required. Anyone over 18 years old that is physically fit and has a positive attitude will be considered for inclusion on the team.

Academy and in-service training is provided to ensure all members are knowledgeable and proficient in performing their duties.

Applications may be obtained online and must be submitted by July 1.

For more information, contact John Soderman at (775) 720.6260.