



# The Point After

## “Work Hard - Be Safe - Have Fun”

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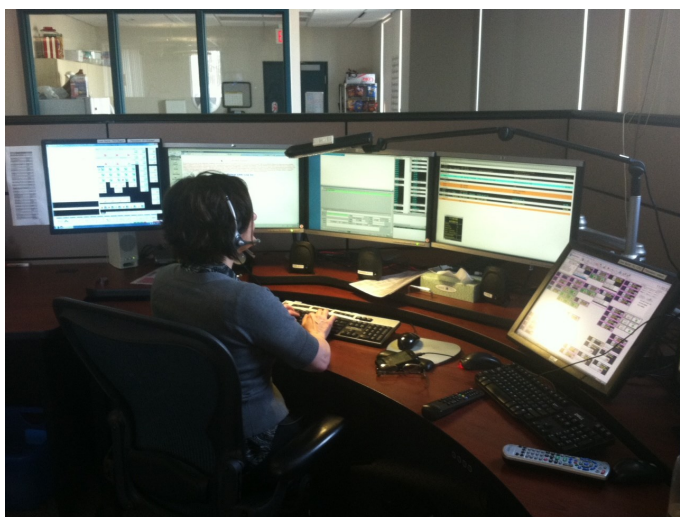
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## Thank You, Dispatchers!

April 9-15 is National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. We salute the men and women who answer your 911 calls, our radio calls, and don't get enough credit for either. Most often the first public safety contact citizens have in the event of an emergency, they must quickly assess each situation to determine what resources are needed and remain a lifeline for the officers, firefighters and medics who do respond. They are truly first responders. The Rice-Steele 911 Center, located in Owatonna, is a consolidated dispatch center that serves all of Rice and Steele Counties. Overseen by a Joint Powers Board, RSC

911 maintains a staff of 22. We appreciate all they do to help keep our community and our officers safe.

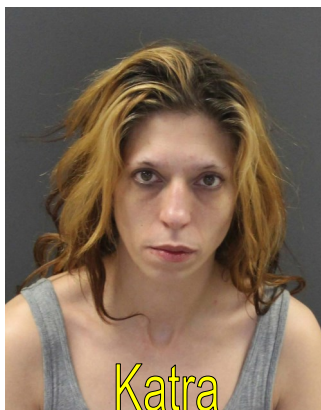


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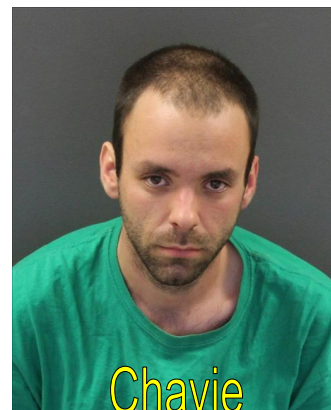
For the second time in as many weeks, a search warrant was executed at a residence known for its drug and other criminal activity. On Wednesday, April 12th, we assisted Northfield PD detectives with the warrant seeking stolen property. When officers entered the residence, they found and arrested Sarah Katra, 38, who was the subject of seven Rice County arrest warrants, as well as warrants in Scott and Steele Counties. Also found on the property was Alexander Chavie, 25, and he was arrested for Possession of Stolen Property. Investigators located the stolen items they were seeking. The investigation was led by Northfield PD In-

vestigators **Brian Kramer, Jesse Cordova** and **Sergeant P.T. Haider**. They were assisted by **Detectives Jeff Burbank, Matt Kolling, Scott Duncan, Sergeant Brandon**

**Gliem** and **Officer Tony Kuchinka**, and **RCSO Investigators Paul LaRoche, Nate Hanson** and **Deputy Steve Bauer**.



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### B-Ball for a Cause

Last Saturday, the South Central Heat team participated in the "Ballin in DC" basketball tournament. A fundraiser for families of fallen law enforcement officers, the 7th annual event boasted 11 teams. The South Central Heat members are **Detectives Jeff Burbank, Matt Kolling, Officers Said Hilowle, Josh Sjodin, and Sergeant Eric Sammon, RCSO Sergeant Ross Spicer and Investigator Paul LaRoche, State Patrol Trooper Derek Swanhorst and Henderson PD Chief Karl Haugen.** The team is already looking forward to next year's event.



"I'll bet."

Pete Rose

Born April 14, 1941

The Toward Zero Deaths (TZD) Distracted Driving enforcement wave will run from April 10th - 23rd. Extra officers, deputies and troopers throughout the state will be on the roads looking for drivers engaged in unsafe driving, specifically distracted driving.



In addition to texting, we ask drivers to be aware of and avoid all distractions so you may arrive at your destination safely.

Questions?

Comments?

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### Child Abuse Prevention

April is also recognized as Child Abuse Prevention Month. A recent report shows that agencies statewide have experienced a 25% increase in reports of child maltreatment. Last year, 26 Minnesota children died from abuse which is the highest number in five years. The website at right contains some great information about strengthening families and recognizing child abuse. This is a serious problem which will take an entire community effort to combat. Please contact us if you have concerns about a child's welfare.

