



# The Point After

## Community - Integrity - Honor - Courage

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Adam Marvin & K-9 Cannon  
Matt Shuda  
Keith Voegel  
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Josh Alexander & K-9 Chase  
Tony Larson  
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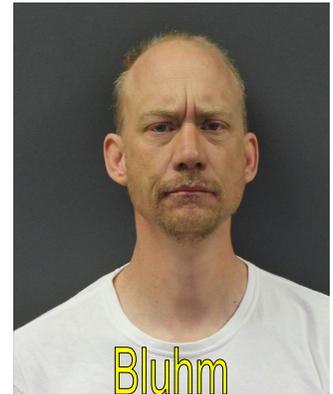
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## Snowblower Swiped

On Sunday, March 31st, **Officer Mike Thul** saw a male running down a sidewalk pushing a snowblower. He noted the male turned his face away and would not look at him. Ofc. Thul stopped the male who stated he just picked up the snowblower at the request of a friend. The suspect, Joshua Bluhm, 43, pointed out the residence where the snowblower had been setting, but there was no evidence the snowblower had been parked there. The

resident told Ofc. Thul that they did not own a snowblower, but had seen a similar one parked at a neighboring residence. The resident at that home did report that their snowblower was missing, and their description matched the recovered one. Bluhm was arrested and jailed. He was charged with Theft and Receiving Stolen Property. His bail was set at \$5,000 with no conditions.



April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Statistics indicate one in five women and one in 71 men will be sexually assaulted at some point in their lives. Additionally, one in four girls and one in six boys will be sexually abused before the age of 18. In 2017, we responded to 38 reports of sexual assault. The most underreported crime, an estimated 5% to 20% of assaults are reported to police.

**Sexual Assault**  
Awareness Month

Since 2005, the Rice County Sexual Assault Multidisciplinary Action Response Team (SMART) has been working to improve criminal justice response for victims of sexual assault. Even if you don't want to file a report but have questions or need guidance, you can call us and we'll do our best to steer you to resources that can help.

## Minnesota's Other Season

Now that the winter season is over, we swing into construction season. The reconstruction of MN 60 / 4th Street begins next week. The first phase will involve the closure of 4th Street from Central Avenue to 3rd Avenue NW. If you are familiar with Faribault, you know that this is in our front yard. If you need to come to the police department for any-



thing, you'll need to park on 1st Avenue and walk to the front of the building. This section is planned to be closed through mid-June.

Construction details are available at [www.faribault.org/DocumentCenter/View/1944](http://www.faribault.org/DocumentCenter/View/1944) and updates will be posted on the city website.

**“Surround yourself with people who take their work seriously, but not themselves, those who work hard and play hard.”**

**Colin Powell**  
Born April 5, 1937

**Questions?**

**Comments?**

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### Severe Weather Awareness Week

Are you ready for severe weather? Each year, Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) in collaboration with the National Weather Service and 16 state and local agencies and organizations sponsors Severe Weather Awareness Week in Minnesota. The week, April 8-12, is designed to refresh, remind and educate everyone about the seasonal threats

from severe weather and how to avoid them. It's also a great time to make and practice your emergency plan and build or refresh your emergency preparedness kit.

The most important events during Severe Weather Awareness Week are the two annual statewide tornado drills. **These drills are scheduled for Thursday,**

**April 11 at 1:45 p.m. and 6:45 p.m.** (Counties may chose to opt out of the drills if actual severe weather is possible in the area)

Outdoor warning sirens and NOAA Weather Radios will sound in a simulated tornado warning. The first drill is intended for institutions and businesses. The evening drill is intended for second shift workers and families.

### Monthly Activity

**March CSO Activity:**  
(February activity in parenthesis)

- Animal Complaints: 20 (44)
- Animals Impounded: 9 (9)
- Dogs: 9
- Cats: 0
- Ordinance Violations: 107 (55)
- Parking Tickets: 85 (375)
- Citations Issued: 140 (27)
- Park Patrol Checks: 0 (5)

**March Patrol Activity:**  
(February activity in parenthesis)

- Calls For Service: 2252 (1842)
- 72.6 calls/day
- 2311 - March 2018
- Reports Written: 460 (384)
- Traffic Stops: 325 (256)
- Citations Issued: 196 (152)
- Traffic Crashes: 41 (68)
- Property Damage: 38
- Personal Injury: 3
- DWI Arrests: 6 (6)

Congratulations to the following employees with April anniversary dates:

**Records Spc. Carole Friesz**  
6 years

**Evidence Tech Gina Palan**  
13 years

**Officer Karl Willers**  
3 years

### TZD Enforcement

In an effort to increase awareness and change dangerous behaviors, Minnesota law enforcement agencies will begin a three-week extra distracted driving enforcement wave starting April 8. Our officers will take part in extra enforcement along with more than 300 law enforcement agencies across Minnesota. The distracted driving campaign that runs through April 30 is coordinated

by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety.

