



The Point After

“Work Hard - Be Safe - Have Fun”

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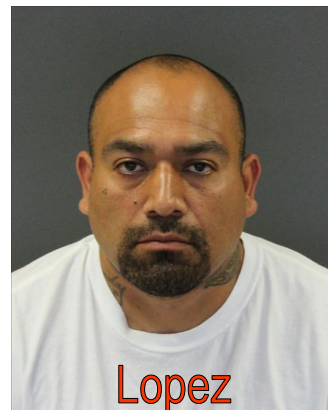
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Narcotics Arrest

On Monday, June 20th, agents of the **Cannon River Drug and Violent Offender Task Force** received information that a male was keeping drugs in a storage unit in the city. While a search warrant was being obtained, one of the agents saw a vehicle approach the lockers. The suspect male entered the storage locker and left carrying a bag. The male was followed back to his residence and confronted by the task force agents. The owner of the vehicle consented to a search, and

agents found the bag, which was later determined to contain 454 grams of methamphetamine and 144 grams of cocaine. Agents also found another case containing 106 grams of methamphetamine. The suspect, Ezequiel Lopez, 40, was already under investigation by the task force agents for methamphetamine trafficking. Lopez was jailed and charged with 1st degree Controlled Substances (six counts) and 2nd degree Controlled Substances. His bail was set at \$300,000 with conditions.



Lopez

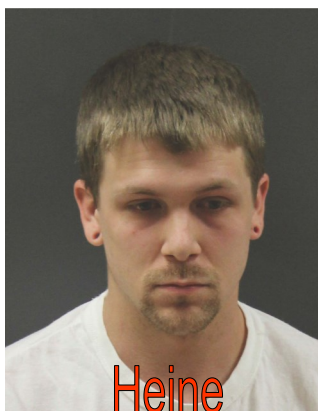
During last week's Heritage Days celebration, we deployed a portable camera system mounted to an extendable boom on our command bus to help provide some extra security. The camera was generously provided by the **Rice County Chemical Health Coalition**. Eventgoers were well-behaved this year and we believe the

cameras had a direct impact.



Bike Patrol Arrest

On Wednesday, June 15th, **Officer Jeff Burbank** was on bike patrol. He noticed a car park at a local convenience store in an area known for drug activity. He watched the vehicle for about 10 minutes, and noted the driver did not exit the car to enter the store. He approached the car, and observed the male driver through the window, and saw that he appeared to be crushing a pill. Ofc. Burbank asked the male what he was doing, and the



Heine

male admitted he was crushing a tablet of OxyCodone and did not have a prescription for it. The suspect, Joshua Heine, 25, also turned over 12 additional tablets containing various narcotics. He was arrested and jailed. He was charged with 5th degree Controlled Substances (two counts) and Driving After Suspension. He was released on his own recognizance.

“A champion is someone who gets up when he can’t.”

*Jack Dempsey
Born June 24, 1895*

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Heritage Days

Another Heritage Days celebration is in the books, and no major incidents were reported. Our volunteers put in many hours throughout the week to keep everyone safely, particularly Saturday night’s parade. **Reserve Officers Carol Kaune, Doug Delesha, Gus Perez, Linda Becker, Jenny Tonjum, Tod Vaudrin, Tony Larson, Jonah Bauer,**

Jacob Holm, Chris Davidson, Luke Morris and Nicole Wegner, as well as **Explorers Yasmeen Mesta, Chloe Robinson, Tyler Johnson, Luke Fridstrom, Shelby White, Paige White, David Mesta and Mike Shuda** all helped out at some point during the week and with the parade. **Officers Matt Shuda, Mallory House**

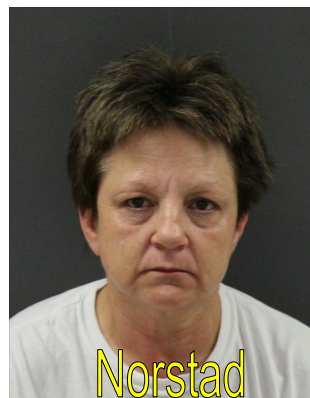
and **Keith Voegel, CSOs Paula Wadekamper and Marsden Powell, Captain Jason Severson** (who coordinated the week’s police coverage) and **Chief Andy Bohlen** also helped keep the parade a safe and fun event for all.

Search Warrant Nets Two

On Thursday, June 16th, agents of the **Cannon River Drug and Violent Offender Task Force** executed a search warrant at a residence in rural Faribault. Due to a report of weapons in the residence, the **Rice County Emergency Response Unit** was utilized to enter the home. The Agents were assisted by **Detective Scott Duncan, RCSO Investigator Nate Hanson and Deputy Steve Bauer.** Inside the residence, agents recovered several grams of methamphetamine in two different bedrooms. A loaded shotgun and ammunition was found in one of the bedrooms. Two suspects were arrested and jailed. Two others will be

charged by formal complaint after further investigation. One of the suspects, Carla Norstad, 55, was the subject of a Rice County arrest warrant and taken into custody. Norstad was charged with 5th degree Controlled Substances, and her

bail was set at \$1,000 with conditions. The second arrested suspect, Eric Ohnstad, 38, was charged with 3rd degree Controlled Substances and 5th degree Controlled Substances. His bail was set at \$1,000 with conditions.



PBTs Received

Good work by **Captain Jason Severson** for his work in completing a grant from the Office of Traffic Safety. This grant provided three new Preliminary Breath Test (PBT) instruments to our department. The PBTs, valued over \$2,000 each, are used for DWI enforcement to help determine if a driver is under the influence.

