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Children Help Cops

07-13-18

Fargo police are giving credit to several children who pointed officers in the right direction after a man jumped out the window of a motel room during a drug bust.

Drug agents and the Metro Street Crimes Unit were serving a warrant when 21 year-old Califf McClain jumped out the window. He ran and hid about a 1/4 lb. of marijuana.

The children were outside and told pursuing officers which way McClain was headed. They cheered on the officers as they gave chase.

McClain was taken to jail where he was booked on drug charges. Charges of tampering with evidence, preventing arrest and criminal mischief are also expected. He was also wanted on two outstanding warrants.

New Mental Health Facility

07-21-18

State officials were in Duluth Friday launching a new psychiatric residential treatment facility for children with complex mental health conditions.

Human Services Assistant Commissioner Claire Wilson says the facility, run by Northwood Children's Services, is more intensive than residential or day treatment, but less intensive than hospitalization...

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It's the first of three such facilities planned for Minnesota in the next two years. One will be in the metro area and two in Greater Minnesota, totaling about 150 beds.

Kids in Hot Cars

07-30-18

As we make our way through the heart of summer, Minnesota has not seen any deaths related to a child being left in a hot car. CentraCare Injury Prevention Specialist Melissa Hjelle (JELLY) says the way to keep that positive trend going is to stay vigilant...

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"than us as adults"

Hjelle says if you come across a child unattended in a car, don't hesitate to call 9-1-1 and get help.

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Playground Death

08-02-18

A boy was killed in a southwestern Minnesota playground accident Wednesday night in Comfrey. MNN's Tasha Redel has more...

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Measles in Minnesota

08-08-18

State health officials are urging caution after a new case of measles has been confirmed in Hennepin County. Especially after last year's outbreak, which was the largest since 1991...

[spnewmeasles2] :12 from measles

Kris Ehresmann with the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH). A five-year-old child became ill early this month shortly after returning from international travel to a region where measles is common. Last year, 75 cases of measles were identified between April and August.

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Public Health Reminds Parents That Vaccines Are Required For School Admission

08-09-18

Often overlooked, but now mandated by all school districts in the state, childhood vaccinations are needed before you can send your child for school in the fall. Assistant Public Health Director Jody Lien says despite what some on the internet say, vaccines are safe and can protect your child as well as other students...

JODY LIEN VACC 28 SEC

OUTCUE: "...specifically the vaccine."

Lien also emphasized that when children are not vaccinated, they are at increased risk for some very deadly diseases, as well as those around them, like babies who are too young to be vaccinated and people with weakened immune systems.

E-Cig Warning

08-09-18

Starting Friday, E-cigarettes will carry a federal warning and local anti-smoking advocates are applauding the move...

[specigwarn1] :10 addictive

Molly Moilanen with ClearWay Minnesota says e-cigs are surging in popularity among youths. A recent Minnesota Youth Tobacco Survey showed tobacco use among youths rose last year for the time in 17 years.

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Otter Tail County Proposed Tobacco Minimum Age Sales Ordinance

08-10-18

It's gaining momentum, and may help in stopping underage tobacco usage in Otter Tail County. A proposed "Tobacco Minimum Age Sales" ordinance focuses on increasing the age of purchasing tobacco products to twenty-one years old. Public Health Director Diane Thorson says the main reason she first approached the county board was because of feedback that she was hearing...

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OUTCUE: "...in the school age population."

The ordinance would be enforced county-wide. According to a press release, a public hearing is scheduled for August 14th at 1pm in the Otter Tail County Board Room in the Government Services Building at 515 West Fir Avenue in Fergus Falls. Also, to reduce conflict with primary voting, an additional hearing is scheduled for August 27, at 7pm also to be held at the Government Services Building.

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Back to School Shopping

08-10-18

Back-to-school shopping is in full swing. Bruce Nustad with the Minnesota Retailers Association...

[trschoolsales1] :12 "ACROSS THE STATE"

Families with children in elementary through high school plan to spend 685 students. Those with young people heading to college plan to spend around 950 dollars.

First Case of Measles

08-13-18

This past week, health officials confirmed the first case of measles this year in the state. Mayo Clinic infectious disease specialist Dr. Prithvi Tosh says measles is one of the most contagious illnesses that exists...

[trmoremeas1] :16 "DOWN WITH MEASLES"

An outbreak last year sickened 75 people in Minnesota. Health officials say 95 percent of the cases were unvaccinated children and 85 percent of them were Somali-American.

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Make a Wish Ride

08-10-18

A Richville motorcycle enthusiast rode for the Make a Wish Foundation recently along with a friend from southwest Minnesota.

Paul Buendiger (BEN-digger) says his friend Mark Sanoh (san-OH) of Jasper Minnesota runs the Make a Wish chapter in southwest Minnesota.

Buendiger says Sanoh had an idea to make a 2,000 mile motorcycle run in two days to benefit a young Sioux Falls girl. Buendiger responded that it should be 2018 miles in two days because the year is 2018.

The two met near Watertown, South Dakota and traveled north and then through North Dakota and into Montana, then south into Wyoming, back into South Dakota and into southwest Minnesota. They put on 1,276 miles the first day. Buendiger says he carried a photo of the young 11-year-old Sioux Falls girl they were helping grant a wish for on his motorcycle...

..."taking care of them." :30

Buendiger has done other charitable foundation rides, but he says this may be the last one he undertakes. He says his wife Kay worries about him too much.

When he got done with his most recent ride and rode into Woodstock, Minnesota, Kay was waiting for him. The first words out of her mouth were, "No helmet? You idiot!"

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Adam Sundby Trial

08-14-18

July began
A trial ~~is expected to begin~~ this morning for a Battle Lake man accused of assaulting a 13-month-old boy.

Thirty-year-old Adam Clifford Rudolf Sundby be charged in Otter Tail County District Court with first-degree assault causing great bodily harm and malicious punishment of a child.

Sundby is accused of shaking the child, causing a brain hemorrhage. The baby's mother found the child unresponsive and brought him to Lake Region Hospital in Fergus Falls January 20th last year. His condition deteriorated overnight and he was airlifted to Children's Hospital in St. Paul.

According to a court complaint, a Children's Hospital doctor expected the child to live, but that the child's long term prognosis is unknown due to the severe brain injury.

Sundby and the victim's mother were living with Sundby's parents at the time north of Underwood. Sundby, according to the complaint, said the child kept falling off the couch, slamming his head on the floor. The Children's Hospital doctor said the child's injuries were not from a fall, but were the result of being shaken.

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Youth Waterfowl Day

09-08-18

Today is Youth Waterfowl Day in Minnesota. The DNR's Jeff Burnham says kids 15 and younger can go waterfowl hunting when accompanied by an adult who is not hunting...

[tryouthday1] :07 "STUFF IS ABOUT"

Burnham says the adult does not need a license tomorrow.

Parents Urged to Be Aware of Juul Products

09//08/18

As the new school year is underway, health officials urge parents to be vigilant and informed on the latest vaping products making it into their kids hands...

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into your water

Jason McCoy from PartnerSHIP 4 Health says the health department has resources available on vaping through the schools and online on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website cdc.gov