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Changing of the Guard

After a career that spanned nearly 29 years, Captain Kevin Flynn has officially retired from the Worthington Police Department!

Captain Flynn attended Mankato State University and received his degree in Criminal Justice.

Captain Flynn started working part time in 1991, filling in for an officer who was injured. Captain Flynn then received a full-time position.

In the Worthington Police Department, Captain Flynn has been a patrol officer, detective, and detective sergeant before he was promoted to captain in November 2014.

Anyone who knows Captain Flynn will know he can be found roaming the hallowed lands of the Great Life Golf Course now that he has retired. Taking Captain Flynn's place is Captain Nathan Grimmus.

Captain Grimmus was hired in 2004 and followed Captain Flynn's footsteps as a patrol officer,



Chief Appel presenting Captain Flynn with a Years of Service Retirement Plaque.

detective and detective sergeant before becoming a captain.

During the last few weeks, Captain Flynn imparted his wisdom and knowledge of the job to Captain Grimmus to ensure a smooth transition within the police department.

Congratulations to Captain Flynn on his retirement and we hope you have many years of enjoyment as you roam the golf courses!!

Congratulations to Captain Grimmus on your well-deserved promotion!!



Captain Grimmus

National Law Enforcement Memorial Week

Animal Control

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Barb Hussong

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Stephanie Evers

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Joe Reith

K-9 Officers

Frankee

Mack

Winston

National Police Week is May 10, 2020 until May 16, 2020.

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy proclaimed May 15th as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15th falls as National Police Week.

National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others.

This year, the names of 307 fallen officers will be added to the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial.

Due to the current COVID-19 crisis, all

events are cancelled except for a virtual candlelight vigil that will be held on May 13, 2020 at 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

During the vigil, the names of the 307 fallen officers will be read.

Anyone who is interested in observing the candlelight vigil can go to the National Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial Fund website at nleomf.org and register for the event.

This year two Minnesota Law Enforcement Officer's will be added to the memorial.

DNR Conservation Officer Eugene Wynn Jr. died on April 19, 2019 when he was thrown from a boat



while investigating a report of a body in the water.

Benton County Deputy Frank McGregor died on October 27, 1931 from injuries he sustained in a single vehicle crash.

Information about Deputy Frank McGregor's death was recently discovered, and his name will join the 22,217 already on the memorial.

Credit: nleomf.org

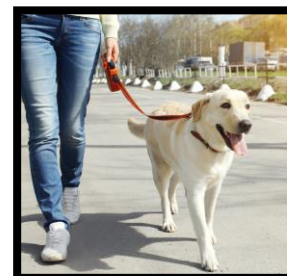
Law Review: Leash Law

Recently some questions have been raised about Worthington's Leash Law.

Worthington City Ordinance 92.05 Animals at Large requires pets to be on a leash whenever they are in city parks, playgrounds, and picnic areas. This ordinance also prohibits animals from running at large in the streets or in a public place.

Under Worthington City Ordinance 90.01, dogs can be off leash when they are playing, exercising or being trained. Under these circumstances the dog must be within 30 feet of the owner or person controlling the dog and must stay within sight of the owner. The dog must also return to the owner or person controlling the dog with no more than two voice commands.

There are special rules and regulations for service animals that are not covered here.



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Real ID and COVID-19

Due to the COVID virus outbreak, states that do not currently comply with the Real ID Act of 2005, such as Minnesota, have been given until October 1, 2021 to meet the requirements of the act.

The Real ID Act of 2005 is a federal law that requires states prove the identity of the person applying for the ID, their date of birth, proof of residency, and legal presence in the United States.

Residents from states that don't comply with

the Real ID Act will not be allowed to fly, enter military bases, or enter certain government facilities.

In Minnesota, the enhanced driver's license and enhanced identification card does comply with the Real ID Act.

If you don't have an enhanced driver's license, a passport can be used instead.

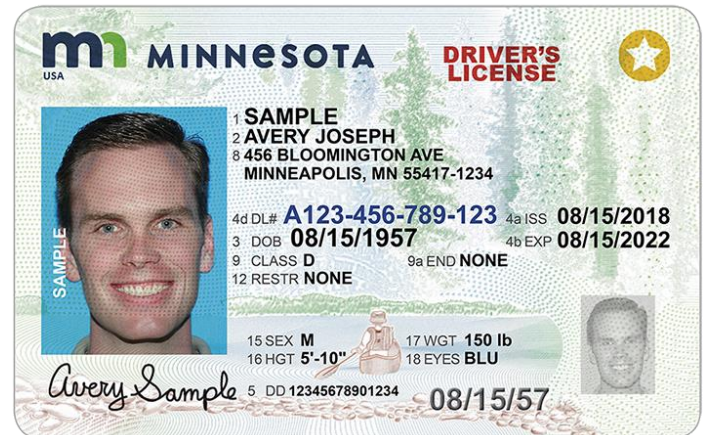
If you have any plans that would require air travel, entering federal facilities or military bases, you will have

about a year and a half to get an enhanced driver's license or a passport.

With the federal government granting several extensions to

Minnesota to comply with the Real ID Act of 2005, it is unlikely they will grant further extensions.

Please plan accordingly!



National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial

The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial is a monument in Washington, D.C. that lists the names of the men and women of law enforcement who have given their lives in the line of duty.

When the memorial first opened in October 1991, the names of 12,561 officers who already gave their lives in the line of duty were inscribed on the walls.

The National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) projected that the memorial's design would provide enough room for an average of 153 fallen officers to be added to the Walls of

Remembrance each year until the year 2100.

Unfortunately, the projections about the future risks law enforcement faces were dramatically underestimated.

The average number of officers killed in the line of duty has more than doubled since the initial estimates and stands at an average of 337 deaths per year according to the Washington Business Journal.

As of January 2020, there are 21,183 names on the walls of the memorial. At this rate, the wall

will run out of space in nine years.

The National Fraternal Order of Police called the situation "heartbreaking" and stated it highlights the dangers our officers face every time they put on the uniform.

The NCPC will be considering a plan to replace the wall's Adair marble wall cap with a taller cap, which would add an additional 15 inches to the height of the walls.

This modification will allow an additional 9,000 names to be added to the wall before it would run out of room around 2057.

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Humor in Law Enforcement

The COVID-19 virus is at the forefront of today's world and that is no different for our typical dumb criminals either.

Last month, a Sioux City (IA) woman went to the Sioux City Police Department with an unusual request; she wanted the police department to test her narcotics for the COVID-19 virus.

The officers noticed the woman was showing signs of impairment through

her erratic behavior, paranoia, profuse sweating, and her admission to recent use of meth.

During a search of the woman and her vehicle, the officers found 14.4 grams of substance that field tested positive for meth.

She was arrested for felony-controlled substance violations, felony failure to affix a drug tax stamp and first-degree possession of marijuana.



The woman was then booked into the Woodbury County Jail and has since been released on bond.

No word on if her drugs were tested for COVID-19.

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Mission Statement

**Serving Worthington with honor and integrity
by working WITH the community
to provide exceptional public safety.**

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