



One Chief's Perspective

Roseville Police Department
5/12/2017

Roseville Police Explorer Post

In late April, our police explorer post attended the annual state-wide conference and took part in competitions that tested their knowledge of several law enforcement subjects. Advisor Officer Crystal Jones sent me the following information outlining their activities at the convention.

Congratulations to the [Roseville Police Explorers](#) who had a successful trip to the 42nd Annual Minnesota Law Enforcement Explorers Association State Conference. From April 27 to April 30, eight explorers and four advisors from the Roseville post spent time in Rochester, MN, with hundreds of other explorers from around the state. The theme of this year's convention was a quote by Eleanor Roosevelt: "You must do the thing you think you cannot do."



On Friday, April 28, Willie Whitehall and Mike Murphy competed in the Report Writing competition and Dawson Fischer and Katrina Sweet competed in the Job Interview competition. All the explorers attended an hour long academic session on De-Escalation, took a Sample Police Exam, and went to the career fair. Of course there was plenty of time for the explorers to have fun and relax by going to the hotel pool, playing airsoft, climbing a rock wall, and attending a comedy hypnotist show and karaoke to finish off a busy day!

On Saturday, April 29, the real work began. Team 1 consisted of Katie Cook, Katie Saint, Katrina Sweet, and Dawson Fischer. This team was randomly assigned to compete in Crime Prevention, Burglary, Bomb Scene and Crime Scene. It was Katrina and Dawson's first time competing and they did a great job with Team 1 placing second in state for Bomb Scene! Team 2 consisted of Mike Murphy, Willie Whitehall, Eh Lar, and Netra Upreti. This team was randomly assigned to compete in White Collar Crime, Search and Arrest, Interview and Interrogation, and Domestic Crisis. It was Eh Lar and Netra's first time competing and they also did a great job with Team 2 placing fifth in state for Domestic Crisis!

Connecting with our Community



Last Sunday, Community Service Officer Jordan Danielson and Officer Nick Olson joined in a Boy Scout bicycle day at Roseville Lutheran Church.

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On Sunday, May 7, five police explorers and one advisor completed a service project to help local elderly citizens with some yard work as part of Northeast Youth and Family Services- Senior Chore Program. They picked up sticks, mowed the lawn, and washed windows for one citizen on the 900 block of Brenner Ave and uprooted weeds for a resident on the 2000 block of Farrington. The explorers and advisor completed 22 hours of service. The Roseville Police Explorers have another service opportunity planned for this upcoming weekend on Saturday, May 13 to help even more residents! *Great job, explorers and advisors.*



Speed limits on residential streets

Not long ago someone emailed us about her wish to have the speed limit on the street in front of her home reduced to 25 miles per hour due to safety concerns.

State statutes along with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) set the speed limits for all public roadways in Minnesota. MnDOT has a variety of information on its [website](#) which can answer most questions. Of note, state statutes indicate the default speed limit on an urban street is 30 miles per hour. The limit per roadway is raised by following the rationale outlined in the statute.

In 2008, a MnDOT study recommended a 30 miles per hour speed limit for residential streets was safer over a 25 miles per hour limit.

I want to remind everyone about our [Neighborhood Speed Board Program](#) that can help residents influence speeding vehicles in their neighborhood. We often find that many of the automobiles we stop in neighborhoods for speeding are driven by area residents. Many of them were not intending to speed, they just did not keep track of the speed of their vehicle. Education, to include a speed advisory board, can have a positive effect.

Take Care,

Chief Rick Mathwig

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