



# The Point After

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## Peace Officers Memorial Week

Tuesday, May 15th marked Peace Officers Memorial Day, signed into law on October 1, 1961 by President John F. Kennedy. The week in which May 15 falls is designated as Peace Officers Memorial Week. In recognition of the day, President Bill Clinton amended the law in 1994 directing flags to be flown at half-staff.

On average, one law enforcement officer is killed in the line of duty somewhere in the United States every 53 hours. Since the first known line-of-duty death in 1791, more than 21,000 officers have made the ultimate sacrifice.

With current events throughout the country, this is always of concern to us. According to [odmp.org](http://odmp.org) statistics, 135 officers died in the line of duty last year. Firearms were used in 46 of the killings, vehicular assault was responsible for six deaths, and

five officers were killed by personal assault. In addition, six officers died from 9/11 related illness.



The Faribault Police Department has lost three officers in the line of duty. All of their names are on the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC.

On October 3rd, 1876, **Officer Henry Kaepernick** was approaching the city jail. He was ordered to stop by a guard, as

the jail was housing the Younger brothers awaiting trial for the Northfield Bank Robbery. Ofc. Kaepernick opened his jacket to show his badge. The guard, believing Ofc. Kaepernick was reaching for a gun, shot and killed him.

On January 2nd, 1883, **Chief of Police David Shipley** was responding to a domestic disturbance. Chief Jennings attempted to disarm and arrest the suspect. A struggle ensued and Chief Jennings was shot. He died six days later of his injuries.

On March 5th, 1895, **Officer Louis Joachim** captured a dog that had been threatening people. While holding the dog, it bit the officer quite severely. After complaining of pain and discomfort, Ofc. Joachim was found to have all the symptoms of hydrophobia (rabies). After suffering for two months, Ofc. Joachim died on May 6th, 1895.

## Police Week Visit

We had a great visit from the kids of Flintrop's Day Care on Wednesday. They dropped off pictures which they had colored as well as some tasty treats for the officers. **Chief Andy Bohlen** gave the kids each a stuffed Chase.

We also received treats from Farmers Insurance - Pat Andreas Agency as well as several officers' families. We appreciate the thoughts and support this week.

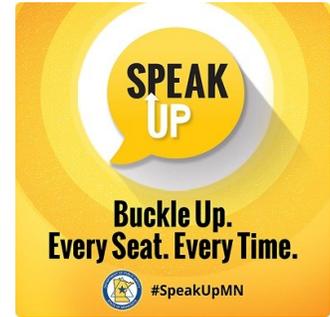


## Click It or Ticket

To continue educating motorists that seat belts save lives and it's the law to buckle up, our officers, along with more than 300 law enforcement agencies across the state, will be participating in the statewide Click It or Ticket campaign May 21 – June 3. The Department of Public Safety Office of Traffic Safety coordinates the extra enforcement and education campaign as part of the Toward Zero Deaths (TZD) initiative.

For those choosing not to buckle up, the results are tragically hurting families across Minnesota.

- In 2016, 79 unbelted motorists lost their lives on Minnesota roads.
- In 2016, 76 percent of the unbelted deaths occurred in Greater Minnesota (outside the seven-county metro area).
- In 2016, 30 percent of motor vehicle deaths were unbelted.



**“In valor there is hope.”**

**Tacitus**

*Carved on the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC.*

## Double Impact

As part of the Double Impact events this year, **Officer Lisa Petricka** and **Sergeant Matt Knutson** participated in serving up root beer floats to students at Faribault High School,



Bethlehem Academy, PROMise poster signed by teens at FHS and Minnesota State Academy for the Deaf. Double Impact works to help make teens aware of the dangers of drugs, alcohol and driving around prom and graduation. The group also arranged to have MADD crash car displays at

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## Bicycle Safety Month

May is Bicycle Safety month, and the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is reminding drivers and bicyclists to do their part to help reduce deaths and injuries on our roads. All states require bicyclists on the roadway to follow the same rules and responsibilities as motorists. In 2016, NHTSA data shows that 840 bicyclists were killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes in the United States, an increase from 829 in 2015, accounting for 2.2 percent of all motor vehicle traffic fatalities.

### Tips for Bicyclists:

- Always wear a properly-fitted helmet that meets the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) standards.

- Check your bike equipment before heading out: check for proper fit and function, including tires, brakes, handlebars and seats.
- Ride in the same direction as traffic, as a vehicle on the road.
- Obey traffic signs, signals, and lane markings; signal all turns; and follow local laws.
- Be predictable; ride in a straight line and use hand signals when changing lanes or turning.
- Stay focused; look ahead for traffic and obstacles in your path.
- Be visible: wear bright colors, reflective materials and lights on your bicycle at night and in low light conditions.
- Stay alert: don't use electronic devices.
- Ride safe; riding impaired by alcohol or drugs affects your judgment and skill; it affects your safety and others on the road.

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### Tips for Motorists:

- Pass bicyclists on the road with care; allow at least three feet clearance.
- Look for cyclists before opening a car door or pulling out from a parking space.
- Yield to bicyclists at intersections and as directed by signs and signals.
- Look for bicyclists before making turns, either left or right.
- Respect designated bicycle lanes; don't use them for parking, passing or turning.
- Never drive distracted or impaired. Always buckle up.

Source: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration