



GREY CLOUD ISLAND

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SCHOOL BUS SAFETY REMINDER

By Samantha Mancini | School Bus Stop-Arm Deputy

As a new school year begins, pedestrian and traffic safety require the cooperation of everyone on the road. One of the most critical aspects of back-to-school safety is understanding and obeying Minnesota's school bus stop arm laws. Before picking up or dropping off students, a school bus signals its stop by flashing amber lights, and it's crucial that drivers don't race around the bus at this time. Once at a complete stop, red lights activate and the stop arm extends, indicating that traffic in all directions must come to a complete stop. Failing to stop is not only against the law but could have severe and irreversible consequences. For decades, the Sheriff's Office has had a dedicated deputy to investigate all reported school bus stop arm violations in the county. Violations can result in hefty fines, losing a driver's license, or even jail time if a child is injured or killed.

The well-being of our community's youngest members depends on each of us making responsible choices on the road. Together, we can ensure that our children's journey to school is a safe and happy one.

NUMBER OF INCIDENTS

8

LOGGED AREA CHECKS

13

WC23040349

FOUND PROPERTY

5XXX 105TH STREET S

At 6:13pm on Aug. 5, a deputy was dispatched to a report of found property. The caller had been cleaning up bushes in the front yard and found a bag. Using a trimming pole, the resident pulled the bag out of the bushes. After looking in the bag, the resident left it on the ground and called 911. The deputy retrieved the contents, which were a Kimber 9mm handgun and three magazines, and brought them to the Newport substation. Upon inspection of the firearm, the deputy observed that the serial number had been scratched off. The handgun has been placed into evidence for closer examination.



MESSAGE FROM THE SHERIFF



As a new fiscal year approaches, it seems like a good time to highlight the state of the Sheriff's Office, where we strive to provide Washington County citizens with efficient and cost-effective services. In 2023, we prioritized our commitment to the recruitment and retention of the highest-caliber law enforcement professionals possible, in part through competitive wage ranges. The state of Minnesota currently has an unprecedented 189 agencies seeking qualified candidates. I am proud to report our deputy positions are currently fully staffed, allowing us to maintain a highly skilled and qualified team. This is crucial at a time when we face escalating demands across all the communities we serve, including a sustained increase in agency calls in our patrol division. During the past three years, we've experienced a staggering 467 percent increase involving people in crisis in our response areas.

Looking ahead into 2024, we expect these trends to continue, and we remain committed to working in partnership with our communities to provide the highest level of public safety services possible. Thank you for your continued trust and I look forward to working together.

In service,

Sheriff Dan Starry

Incident Summary Report PUBLIC

From:8/1/2023 12:00:00 AM To:8/31/2023 11:59:59 PM



WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE

GREY CLOUD ISLAND TOWNSHIP - 8

8/5/2023 6:13:44 PM	WC23040349	5XXX 105th St S, GREY CLOUD ISLAND TOWNSHIP	FOUND PROPERTY/ITEM
8/5/2023 7:37:53 PM	WC23040359	9XXX Grey Cloud Trl S, GREY CLOUD ISLAND TOWNSHIP	SUSPICIOUS PERSON/ACTIVITY
8/17/2023 10:31:38 AM	WC23042360	10XXX Grey Cloud Island Dr S, GREY CLOUD ISLAND TOWNSHIP	PUBLIC WORKS CONCERN
8/19/2023 4:57:20 PM	WC23042845	9XXX GREY CLOUD TRL S, GREY CLOUD ISLAND TOWNSHIP	VEHICLE UNLOCK
8/21/2023 10:21:04 AM	WC23043141	5XXX Pioneer Rd S, GREY CLOUD ISLAND TOWNSHIP	MEDICAL
8/24/2023 11:01:32 AM	WC23043730	9XXX Grey Cloud Island Dr S, GREY CLOUD ISLAND TOWNSHIP	ACCIDENT
8/26/2023 9:01:21 PM	WC23044125	92XXX -BLK GREY CLOUD ISLAND DR S, GREY CLOUD ISLAND TOWNSHIP	DISTURBANCE
8/27/2023 11:05:13 PM	WC23044323	8XXX Grey Cloud Island Dr S, GREY CLOUD ISLAND TOWNSHIP	NOISE COMPLAINT/DISTURBANCE

TOTAL INCIDENTS: 8

Citations for: Grey Cloud Island

8/1/2023 To 8/31/2023

Agcy	Date	Citation Number	Badge	Officer Name	Citation Type	Block	Street Name	Str Sfx	Cross Street Name	Cross St Sfx	City	Literal Description	Statute
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