Healthy Seniors Senior Living
This is a Living At Home Block Nurse Program working collaboratively with United Way, Steele County Human Services, the Steele County Collaborative, Southern MN Area Agency on Aging and Elderberry Institute. Their mission is to provide the best possible service to seniors and caregivers, to empower them to live happily, safely and independently in their own homes. Recruit, train and coordinate volunteers to carry out good neighbor to neighbor acts of kindness to support seniors and caregivers throughout Steele County. If you want to volunteer or direct a concern to the program call the Owatonna Service Office at 507-774-7648 or visit blocknurseprogram.org or HealthySeniors@hsscprogram.org. There are many ways to help community members feel safe and secure and this program is worth checking out!

COLA Holiday Celebration
On December 9, 2010, the City of Owatonna Landlord Association (COLA) had its first annual holiday celebration. The event took place at the Owatonna Senior Center. Sergeant Tim Hassing is the coordinator of Crime Free Multi Housing in the city, and the liaison between COLA and the police department. Over sixty (60) landlords and/or owners attended and took part in activities, listened to speakers, and exchanged valuable information. Chief Keith Hiller was the night’s keynote speaker. A special “THANK YOU” to Sgt. Hassing for facilitating and coordinating a wonderful event! For more information on the association visit www.owatonnacola.com or call Sgt. Hassing at 507-774-7207.

Burglar’s Autograph Leads to Arrests
This past week a collaborative effort between the Patrol and Investigative Division resulted to several juvenile arrests in a burglary that occurred at Centro Campesino. After the burglary was discovered, video was obtained from a nearby business which revealed several juveniles in the area. One of the juveniles was identified on the video and his first name just happened to be tagged inside the Centro Campesino. Several juveniles arrests were made in connection with the burglary. This is a great example of excellent police work. Nice Job by Sgt. vonWald, Ofc. Eichten and Investigators Petterson and Sorenson.