NEWS RELEASE
According to Mn Statute 244.052, the Owatonna PD is releasing information regarding Gerald Becker, a Level 3 registrant subject to public notification. Mr. Becker moved to Owatonna on 11/07/2017 and has served a sentence imposed on him by the court.

A Community Notification Meeting has been scheduled for 6 p.m. on November 10th, 2017 at the Owatonna Police Department, 204 East Pearl Street. Representatives from the Department of Corrections and the Owatonna Police Department will be available to provide you with information on public safety.

Winter Parking Ordinance Begins—here is a reminder to citizens that the City of Owatonna Winter Parking Ordinance begins on November 15th until March 31st. The parking restrictions apply to street parking where there is no current parking restrictions in place and during the following times:

1) From midnight to noon (this is a 12 hr parking restriction limited to one side of the public street, and
2) On odd number calendar days—parking is prohibited on even (house number) sides of the street, or
3) On even number calendar days—parking is prohibited on the odd (house number) sides of the street. For example, upon 12:01 a.m. on December 1, parking is prohibited in front of 302 Owatonna Street, although parking is allowed on the odd number side of the street until 12:01 a.m. on December 2 – this is referred to as the “odd/even parking restriction”. Some helpful tips for those using street parking are to plan ahead and remember that the parking restrictions do not start until midnight. If a citizen parks a vehicle on the street at 6 p.m. on an even numbered calendar day (December 2), the citizen should park on the odd side of the street because the parking restrictions begin at midnight (December 3). Those in violation of the ordinance are subject to a $20 fine. When a snow emergency is declared – vehicles in violation are subject to a fine and vehicles may be towed.

4) Some streets are exempt from these provisions. Refer to Ordinance 72.02 Link to City Ordinance

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DANGER—THIN ICE Recent colder temperatures are causing some local ponds and lake edges to glaze over. Early ice is very dangerous to venture out on. Please stay off the ice until ice conditions improve. According to the MN DNR the recommended guide for new and clear ice to walk on is a minimum of 4".

Officer Ackerson and CSO’s Ryg and Borash attended Good Shepherd Preschool on Wednesday and Thursday as an opportunity for the kids to meet officers with OPD. The officers gave a short safety talk and a chance for the kids to ask the officers questions. As most kids do, they all want to know what the officers carry on their tool belt.

Thanks to all the Veterans for your service and sacrifice.

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