SCDIU Activity in Owatonna—

On January 3rd, agents from the South Central Drug Investigation Unit (SCDIU) executed a search warrant at a residence in the 400 block of 14th St. NE. When executing the warrant, the agents took the female target into custody and found she was in possession of a baggie of suspected methamphetamine. A further search of the residence uncovered two small baggies of suspected methamphetamine and a large zip lock baggie that contained 4 large chunks of meth. In total, 109.48 grams or almost a quarter of a pound of presumptive positive methamphetamine was seized as evidence. In addition, over $1000 dollars in currency was seized. Alison Johnson, age 32 of Owatonna was arrested and jailed. In addition, when jailed, an additional .08 grams of suspected meth was found on Johnson. Johnson has been charged with 1st Degree Possession of Methamphetamine.

Traffic Deaths up in Minnesota—

Preliminary reports show there were 380 traffic deaths on Minnesota roads in 2018, compared to 358 in 2017.

- At least 27 are known to be distraction-related compared with 25 in 2017
- 100 were speed-related, compared with 113 in 2017
- 121 were speed-related, compared with 88 in 2017
- 90 were not wearing their seatbelts, compared to 78 in 2017
- 58 were motorcyclists, compared with 53 in 2017. Of the 58 who died, 42 were not wearing a helmet
- 7 were bicyclists, compared with 6 in 2017
- 42 were pedestrians, compared with 42 in 2017
- 266 were males and 114 were females