



****MEDIA RELEASE****

BIG LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT



790 Minnesota Avenue, Big Lake MN, 55309

Incident Number: 17-2605

Date/Time: 3/23/2017

“Could I Get Some Crack with my Happy Meal”

On March 19th 2017 at 10:16 pm Officer Joe Kalla and Sergeant Guy Chaffee were dispatched to McDonalds in regards to an impaired male driver in the drive through. On his arrival, Officer Kalla located the suspect in the McDonalds Parking Lot. As Officer Kalla drove past the suspect vehicle, he noted the male driver had switched places with a female passenger. Officer Kalla initiated a traffic stop, the male driver was identified as Jeremy Gabrelcik (Age 35 – St. Michael). Following field sobriety testing, Gabrelcik was arrested for driving while impaired. During Officer Kalla’s investigation, he also learned that when asked if Gabrelcik would like anything else with his meal, he replied “crack,” a happy meal of a different sort.

Sergeant Guy Chaffee arrived on the scene and spoke to the female passenger, identified as Sara Pavola (Age 33 – Glyndon). During the course of this discussion and search, a baggie containing a white granular substance which field tested positive for methamphetamine was located in Pavola’s Purse. A further search revealed 2 glass straws with white residue, and a “rock” which was identified as methamphetamine were located. Canine Bruno was also deployed for a follow up search, additional narcotics were located behind the glove compartment.

Pavola was arrested and transported to the Sherburne County Jail, she was charged by criminal complaint with; 2 Counts of 5th Degree Controlled Substance Possession.

Gabrelcik was arrested and transported to the Sherburne County Jail, he was charged by criminal complaint with; Second Degree Chemical Test Refusal, Second Degree Driving Under the Influence (2 prior offenses), and Driving after Cancellation Inimical to Public Safety.

