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Employee Service Awards



Jodi Houck
(Sheriff's Office)
10 Years

Kristy Scott
(PHHS)
10 Years

Lisa Anderson-Reed
(PHHS)
20 Years

Pamela Lonne
(PHHS)
20 Years

Pamela Dearborn
(PHHS)
20 Years

Carlton County K-9 Deputy Roman Retires

The Carlton County Sheriff's Office is proud to announce the retirement of K-9 Deputy Roman. K-9 Roman and his handler, Sgt. Tory Cawcutt, have been partners for seven years. During their time together, Roman had been deployed on over 300 occasions, and involved in approximately 60 arrests, including 7 street apprehensions, and the apprehension of 3 individuals wanted for murder. In addition, Roman and Sgt. Cawcutt are responsible for seizing 1587 grams of methamphetamine, 14 grams of cocaine, 1814 grams of marijuana, and 14 grams of opiates, including heroin and fentanyl. Along with Roman's work tracking fugitives and detecting narcotics, Sgt. Cawcutt and Roman were involved in searches for missing people as well as 54 community engagement events. The team of Sgt. Cawcutt and Roman could often be found at various neighborhood gatherings and in the halls of community schools, providing educational opportunities as well as displaying their talents for the citizens of Carlton County to see.

During their work together, Sgt. Cawcutt and K-9 Roman received numerous awards. Their awards include 8 USPCA awards and several USPCA medallions distributed during annual narcotic and patrol certifications both for their excellence in certification, as well as for their involvement in various cases. Sgt. Cawcutt and K-9 Roman also received the USPCA Region 12 Patrol "Case of the Quarter", as well as the USPCA Region 12 Patrol "Case of the Year" in recognition of their work apprehending a homicide suspect that was actively fleeing apprehension.

With Roman enjoying retirement, Sgt. Cawcutt will continue to serve Carlton County as a patrol sergeant. Sgt. Cawcutt will assume the responsibilities of K9 supervisor, and assist the sheriff's office in identifying a new K-9 handler as well as selecting a new K-9 partner that will train together with intention of serving the Carlton County community well into the future.

On behalf of the Carlton County Sheriff's Office, we thank Sgt. Cawcutt, K-9 Roman, and the Cawcutt family for their time, effort and sacrifice in service to the Carlton County community. We would also like to thank the Crow-Goebel Veterinary Services, as well as special friend to the K-9 program, Ingrid Dohler.



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*Board meetings are held at the Transportation Building on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 8:30 a.m. and the 4th Monday of every month at 4:00 p.m.

Community Resource HUB

Do you need help finding resources to keep you and your young children healthy, learning, and on a more solid financial footing? If so, then reach out to the Community Navigator- Emily Rish. There are a variety of different programs and services that are available for young families or families who are expecting a baby.

Let the Community Navigator help you find out what is available and if you are eligible to apply. The best part is the Community Navigator will help you through the application process. Check out the [Community Hub](#) page on the Carlton County website for more information or to fill out a [short survey](#). If you complete the survey, the Community Navigator will connect with you and your family through the next steps. Contact Community Navigator Emily Rish at (218)900-7206 or via email at emily.rish@co.carlton.mn.us.



Explore and use the **Help Me Connect** website and **Bridge to Benefits** website.



Apply for things like

- food and nutrition programs
- health insurance programs
- tax credits
- child care resources
- medical & dental care
- more!



Connect with services like

- preschool screening
- early learning programs
- disability services
- family wellbeing and mental health
- legal services
- more!

Carlton County Receives Safe and Secure Courthouse Initiative Grant

On March 18, 2022, Minnesota Supreme Court Chief Justice Lorie S. Gildea announced the award of \$500,000 in grants through the Safe and Secure Courthouse Initiative. The grant funding will go towards the implementation of safety and security improvements in 13 county courthouses across Minnesota.

Safe and Secure Courthouse Initiative grants will help fund a variety of courthouse security initiatives. Grant awards ranged from \$1,800 to over \$155,000. Of the 13 awarded grants, three were for less than \$5,000, and six were for more than \$25,000. As required by law, each county will provide a dollar-for-dollar match for its grant award, in either cash or in-kind services. The counties receiving grants through the Safe and Secure Courthouse Initiative are: Anoka, Becker, Big Stone, Carlton, Chippewa, Cottonwood, Faribault, Hubbard, Koochiching, McLeod, Meeker, Ramsey, and Sibley.

Carlton County is receiving \$155,273 through this grant program. Carlton County Sheriff Kelly Lake applied for funding through this grant program to offset court security costs in the new Carlton County Justice Center.

“The Safe and Secure Courthouse reflects Minnesota’s statewide approach to addressing the issue of courthouse security,” said Chief Justice Gildea. “This is another step forward for our justice system, and one that will serve to better protect the thousands of Minnesotans who enter their local courthouses every day. Minnesotans deserve to feel safe when coming to court, accessing government services, or fulfilling their duties as citizens and taxpayers.”

Carlton County Committee's

Building Committee -
2nd Wednesday of the month at 1:00 p.m.
(Government Services Building -GSB)

Committee of the Whole -
1st Tuesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. (TB)

Diversity Committee -
4th Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m.
(PH&HS)

Finance Committee -
1st Tuesday of the month at 2:30 p.m. (TB)

Policy Committee -
3rd Monday of the month at 2:00 p.m.
(Law Enforcement Center - LEC)

Management Team -
1st Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. (GSB)

Supervisors Committee -
3rd Thursday quarterly at 2:00 p.m.
(Varies)

Wellness Committee -
2nd Wednesday of the month at 8:30 a.m.
(Varies)

For a more detailed Carlton County
Committee list [click here](#).



Are you interested in submitting an article in the next Carlton County Newsletter? Email or mail your articles and pictures by the June 24, 2022 deadline to:

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*Please note that all submissions are subject to editing, as needed.

Let's Get Acquainted With Carlton County Restorative Justice Social Worker



Hello! My name is Mallory Thorne. I am the Restorative Justice Social Worker in the Carlton County Restorative Justice Program which is housed under the Community and Families Initiatives Department. I have been in this position for 2.5 years.

The Carlton County Restorative Justice Program exists to provide an alternative to the criminal justice system for youth who are cited with a crime in Carlton County. We work to help youth, alongside community, to understand the impact of their decisions, work towards accountability and make amends for the harm they caused. Additionally, we work with Carlton County Schools on implementing restorative practices, provide trainings related to restorative and trauma informed education, and provide assistance in working with youth who may have caused harm within the school community.

As far as my educational background, I received my BSW from UWS in 2015 and went on to obtain my MSW from CSS in 2019. I completed internships in both a jail as well as in a high school. I didn't know at the time that I would find a position that allowed me to work restoratively in both criminal justice as well as the education system and that is one of the things I love most about my position here in Carlton County. I am passionate about providing youth the opportunity to make amends and avoid a criminal record- particularly because we know so much about how the brain develops and how hormones and lack of impulse control impacts the decisions our kids make on a day to day basis. It is an honor to walk alongside youth in processing and understanding the impact of their mistakes and assisting them in choosing a different path that will help guide them towards a future where they can reach their full potential as members of society.

Outside of work I spend a lot of time in my yard- which we affectionately call "foster farm." My family and I raise chickens, foster dogs, maintain a large garden, and wrestle three of our own dogs. I also enjoy spending time relaxing on our deck (usually grilling) with my husband Griffin and my son Atticus. Other things I enjoy include hiking, rollerblading, tossing around a lacrosse ball, attending live music, and watching sketch and improv comedy.

Carlton County Recorder/Registrar Joins All-Star Faculty to Provide an Overview of the World of Torrens

Carlton County Recorder and Registrar of Titles, Kristine Basilici, recently participated with Minnesota CLE as part of a seminar titled "Simplifying Torrens Property In Minnesota." According to the seminar brochure the purpose of the session was to help "simplify the Torrens System and discuss the important issues real estate attorneys need to know about." A panel of four Minnesota County Representatives were part of a session titled and described as "Working with the Registrar's Office: There are a lot of moving parts when it comes to Torrens Property and the Registrar's Office is an integral part of the system." In this session, a panel of experienced staff members from various Minnesota County Offices spoke on how they see Torrens, what issues they see most often, county statistics and trends, and other tips and strategies.

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