



ST. LOUIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS RELEASE

INCIDENT DATE: 7/18/2014 INCIDENT TIME: 1256
INCIDENT LOCATION: Lake Nichols - 8259 South Shore Drive, Northland Township

INDIVIDUAL(S) INVOLVED: (Refer to News Media Policy-Rules III A.1 Thru 4: Procedures B.1, A thru J & I; 2b, 3b, g & h; 4a, b, & c)

Name: DOUGLAS YENTSCH Age: 60 Address: Janesville, MN

Name: Age: Address:

INCIDENT SUMMARY:

Deputies responded to a report of a water emergency on Lake Nichols, in Northland Township. The victim was pulling a tube behind a paddle boat with his grandchildren on it. When the tube overturned the children panicked despite having life jackets on, and the victim entered the water to help them. The victim went underwater while helping them, and was later found by neighbors unresponsive, after spending nearly 30 minutes under water. Efforts to revive him were unsuccessful. The victim was not wearing a life jacket at the time. The incident is under investigation by the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office.

ASSISTING AGENCIES:

Gold Cross Ambulance, Meadowlands Ambulance, Northland Fire First Responders, Cotton Fire First Responders, St. Louis County Rescue Squad, North Memorial Air Care, MN Department of Natural Resources

AUTHORITY: Deputy Erik Peterson DATE: 7/18/2014 TIME: 1745

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR UPDATE:

AUTHORITY: _____ DATE: _____ TIME: _____