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NEWS RELEASE

**THREE SENTENCED FOR VARIOUS CRIMES IN DAKOTA COUNTY
(Cassandra Balsimo, Donald Boehmer, Michelle Chlan)**

Dakota County Attorney James Backstrom announced the following case updates:

Cassandra Balsimo, age 30 of Ramsey County, was sentenced today by Judge Richard Spicer to 180 days in jail, 10 years of probation and restitution in connection with an automobile crash that took the life of 27-year-old Brenda Del Carmen Perez Lafarga in Eagan on September 12, 2010. Balsimo's blood alcohol level at the time of the crash was approximately .18. If she violates any of the conditions, Balsimo faces 48 months in prison. Balsimo pled guilty on December 12, 2011 to one count of Criminal Vehicular Homicide.

Donald Boehmer, age 60 of Inver Grove Heights, was sentenced today by Judge Richard Spicer to 180 days in jail, 20 years of probation and ordered to pay \$157,727.07 in restitution in connection with theft of funds from the International Concatenated Order of the Hoo-Hoo from December of 2006 to December of 2010 while he served as the Club Treasurer. The judge also ordered Boehmer to 40 hours of Community Work Service during the first five years of probation. If he violates any of the conditions, Boehmer faces 51 months in prison. Boehmer had pled guilty December 12, 2011 to six counts of Theft by Swindle.

Michelle Chlan (pronounced Klein), age 27 of Shakopee, had her guilty plea to one count of Criminal Sexual Conduct in the Third Degree accepted today by Judge Erica MacDonald and was sentenced to 90 days in jail and 15 years of probation for having sexual relations with a 16-year-old male student. The encounters took place from June of 2009 to July of 2010 in Burnsville. Chlan was a Para-professional and met this student through her employment at a school in Shakopee. The judge also ordered Chlan to register as a predatory offender and pay restitution. If she violates any of the conditions of release, Chlan faces 36 months in prison.

For a copy of the criminal complaints, go to <http://services.co.dakota.mn.us/ComplaintSearch>. Mug shots may be viewed at <http://services.co.dakota.mn.us/InmateSearch> while in custody.

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