

Can Twins Use Deception Against the Cops?

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On October 16, 2025, a Minnesota woman who allegedly tried to use her twin sister as leverage to avoid charges was sentenced to 4 years in prison for a 2023 drug-related charge from an Amish buggy crash killing 2 children.

Minnesota District Court Judge Jeremy Clinefelter sentenced the Minnesota woman, Samantha Peterson, and ordered her to pay nearly \$40,000 in restitution. Peterson pleaded guilty in July to a count each of criminal vehicular homicide under the influence and criminal vehicular operation under the influence. Court documents state Peterson was driving an SUV while high on methamphetamine after her shift on September 25, 2023. She had rear-ended a horse-drawn buggy in Spring Valley, a city nearly 114 miles south of Minneapolis. According to authorities, the fatalities, who were sisters ages 7 and 11, died. Two other victims, ages 9 and 13, survived with injuries. The victims were all siblings.

Authorities alleged that on the scene, Samantha Peterson brought her identical twin sister, Sarah Peterson. From there the sisters conspired that Sarah should take the blame before authorities could determine who was behind the wheel. According to Fillmore County deputies, Sarah told them she was behind the wheel at the time of the crash. She claimed her vehicle was getting repaired, and she was borrowing her sister's SUV.



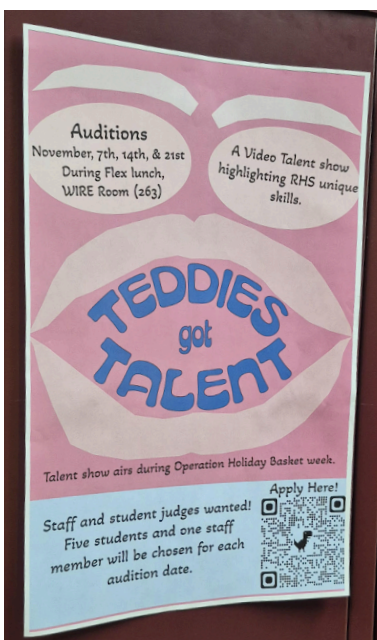
Samantha Peterson with attorney Carson J. Heefner in Minnesota district court, October 16, 2025 - KARE11 / NBC News

A deputy exited their squad with Sarah inside alone. A voice recorder was still running. According to court documents, the voice recorder captured her talking with her sister over the phone. "I think that one of the guys is onto me, but I don't really care," and, "There's no way they would ever know the difference between the two of us, so they can't tell," says Sarah Peterson. According to court documents, investigators searched Samantha Peterson's phone and came across a text message sent the day of the crash. The text reads, "I hit that Amish buggy and killed two ppl [sic] ... Made Sarah come there and take the fall for it so I wouldn't go to prison." Investigators also explored her search history. They discovered searches of "What happens if you get in an accident with an Amish buggy and kill two people?" and "If you hit a buggy and kill two people, are you going to prison?"

Teddies! Show Some Talent!

Jefferson Tang ('28)

Talent show poster, posted all around the school. Taken by Jefferson Tang



MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, NOVEMBER 8, 2025 - Listen up everybody! Do you have a special skill that you would like to show off? Then look forward to Teddies Got Talent! Teddies Got Talent is the new upcoming talent show for Roosevelt students, "A video talent shows highlighting the different talents at RHS." If you would like to sign up and show off your talents, auditions are in Room 263 (AKA the WIRE room) during flex friday, there are now only TWO days left to audition now, so please come audition on one of these two days!

- November 14th
- November 21st

A total of six judges will be chosen for the talent show, consisting of five students and one staff member. (The date for the first auditions has passed, so it is very likely that all the judge roles are already taken.) The talent show will be shown to students during the annual Operation Holiday Basket week. This will be a great opportunity if you would like to show off. Step out of your comfort zone and try your absolute best, or you can just watch as your friends and fellow Teddies perform for all of you. Get excited everyone!

Teacher Strike Avoided!

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MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, NOVEMBER 10, 2025 - Recently 92% of Minneapolis teachers voted yes to going on a strike on Monday, October 27. The goal of the strike is to push for smaller class sizes and higher wages.

The strike is not official as of November 10th; the Minneapolis Federation of Educators must give at least a 10-day notice before the strike can begin. This means that teachers could go on strike as early as November 11th. The cause of the strike is from teachers wanting both small class sizes and high wages. Recently class sizes have been very large, some having 40 students, making it challenging for teachers to be able to control a classroom of students. Teacher wages have been so low that people who have worked for the district for many years can't afford to retire.

Teachers have been working for a long time to improve these conditions since April; they had thought the problems would be settled by last summer. Teachers are saying that not many of them want to strike, but district leaders have left them no choice. Strikes can impact so many families due to the long breaks that they can cause. Parents say that strikes can be challenging, some being unable to care for their kids because of work. They resort to having to take time off of work or having family and neighbors check on them.

On November 9th, Minneapolis teachers reached a deal that will end the possibility of a strike. Details on the conditions have not been released yet.

Teachers are very grateful to have made a decision after many months of waiting.

Source from MPR news, Carly Danek. Taken a day after voting to authorize the strike. Minneapolis Federation of Educators rally outside of MPS headquarters.



November Horoscopes

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MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, OCTOBER 30, 2025 – Since it's no longer spooky month, it's time to bring out the November horoscopes. Based on your zodiac sign, this article will present you with your future during the upcoming fall months.



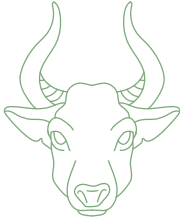
Aquarius: January 20 – February 18
As an Aquarius, you are naturally independent and creative. Consider that your romantic partner might be holding you down.



Pisces: February 19 – March 20
You are very sentimental and loving. People can see that in you and will be allured by your personality. During the cold month of November, you will meet someone willing to hold you close and warm your heart.



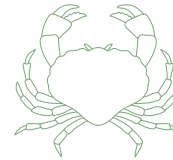
Aries: March 21 – April 1
You are described as courageous and energetic. You are very friendly with the people around you, and it will be much appreciated. But you will also faceplant at some point during the month. You won't know when...



Taurus: April 20 – May 20
Tauruses are known to be persistent and dependable. You value your relationships more than anything else, but sometimes that proves harmful. This November, you will finally complete a project that you have been working on for a while.



Gemini: May 21 – June 20
You are known as adaptable and intellectual, but sometimes your curiosity is a curse. Your mind will wander, and you must reel it in.



Cancer: June 21 – July 22
A great trait about you as a cancer is your sensitivity and empathy. This month, your emotions may become your downfall because they may cause you to break down.



Leo: July 23 – August 22
Leos are bold, confident, and generous. Sometimes confidence doesn't always work out, though. This month, people might see you as having "too big of an ego," but as long as you push through, it will be okay.



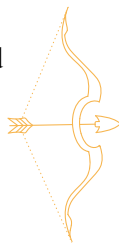
Virgo: August 23 – September 22
You are sensible and committed, but your flaws often lie in your perfectionism and detail-oriented approach. This month, you will be credited for your hard work and great personality.



Libra: September 23 – October 22
Libras are known to be quite indecisive individuals; that's not a good sign for your future because you're going to be presented with an opportunity that could change your life, depending on your choice.



Scorpio: October 23 – November 21
Scorpios have a theme of being passionate and intense with their care. Throughout this month, you'll have a close relationship with your family. But be warned, you might be experiencing jealousy relating to friends and loved ones.



Sagittarius: November 22 – December 21
Sagittarius, your birthday is coming up! Don't worry, there's nothing bad in store for you. You will spend a great amount of time outdoors and in nature. Your birthday will go well, and you'll be satisfied with the month.



Capricorn: December 22 – January 19
Capricorns are ambitious and hardworking; you always strive to do your best. This month, you will meet someone who challenges your intellect, and you will come out on top.

Roosevelt Basketball Teams Aim Higher for New Season

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Boys Basketball team huddled up during intense battle • Taken by Matt Maly

The Roosevelt girls' and boys' basketball teams are gearing up for what coaches believe could be their strongest season yet. With key returning players, fresh talent, and months of intense preparation, both squads are ready to make a statement on the court.

The boys' team, led by Coach Donnie, has been silently growing over the years and is coming off of a solid season. They have their sights set on a deep playoff run. Returning captain Calvin Peterson says the team's chemistry is at an all-time high. "This year could be one of the best seasons we've had," Peterson said. "We have stronger players, and over the summer we really bonded as a program. We're confident and determined in our goal to make it to state this year."

On the other side of the spectrum, the girls' team, coming from a fresh team-restart last year, has a hopeful new group of young players, ready to face and overcome adversity. The girls had a History-making season in 2023–2024, where a powerful and experienced group of seniors led their team to state—for the first time in school history—crushing expectations as well as being a symbol and representation for city schools. Since that season, our girls team has been rebuilding and looking for that spark again.

Both teams have been training since early fall, holding daily practices and weekend scrimmages to sharpen their skills. Coaches emphasize the importance of commitment, reminding players that success—on the court and in life—comes from hard work and dedication.

No matter how the season unfolds, one thing is clear: Roosevelt is ready to compete, to inspire, and to make their growing city school proud. The first games for both teams tip off in three weeks, giving fans their first chance to see whether these bold preseason expectations will become reality.