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On Tuesday, September 22, Chris Weber, age 26, of Madison SD, spoke at four Sioux County schools. Weber was the driver of a vehicle that struck and killed 33 year old Andrea Boeve on June 30, 2014 as she rode her bicycle with her two children on a Minnesota highway. Weber's message at the schools centered on the reason the accident happened: Weber's own distracted driving that day by the use of his cell phone. Since the accident, Weber has pled guilty to a charge of criminal vehicular homicide in Minnesota.

Weber gave his message at Western Christian High School, Boyden-Hull JR/SR High School, Netherlands Reformed Christian School and Rock Valley Community School. Weber's message was delivered to students as well as members of the public and focused on reminding driver's to avoid using cell phones, as well as other distractions and that no distraction is worth causing someone's injury or death.

Chris is featured in a video created by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety. Also featured in the video is Matt Boeve, Andrea's husband. This video was shown as part of the presentations at the schools. We have also added the video to our youtube channel:

https://www.facebook.com/Sioux.County.Sheriff/app_212104595551052

The Sheriff's Office and School Resource Officer, Deputy Waylon Pollema, thank Weber for his willingness to tell his difficult story and hope that everyone who heard his message was able to benefit from the valuable message of the importance of avoiding distracted driving.

