

On August 13, 2017, at approximately 1:35AM, Sheriff's deputies along with the Frazee Police Department responded to a Motor Vehicle Crash near Eagle Lake, west of Frazee. Upon arrival, officers soon learned two occupants of the vehicle had fled the scene trying to avoid officers by going into the lake. The officers could hear the individuals in the water and located them approximately 100 yards from shore and struggling. One of the individuals yelled stating she wasn't going to make it.

Sgt. May and Deputy Borth took off their duty gear and began to swim to the individuals. Chief Trieglaff also took off his duty gear and inflated his Nebulus Flotation Device (raft). Trieglaff followed behind May and Borth pushing his raft toward the struggling individuals. Deputy Borth and Sgt. May each assisted one of the individuals and helped them get to Trieglaff's raft. With one of the individuals in the raft and the other hanging to the side, the officers brought the individuals safely to shore where they were checked by Frazee Rescue and Perham EMS.

Without the quick response and extraordinary efforts of these officers, the outcome would have been much different. Congratulations and nice work!