



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF JAMES STUART

FRIDAY UPDATE: 03.31.17-04.07.17

Here is a theft-by-swindle case that was reported to our office on March 30th. I haven't seen this one before so I wanted to get it on your radar.

OFFICER NARRATIVE

On 3/30/2017 at 0933 hours, I was dispatched to the Sheriff's Office in regards to a fraud report. Upon arrival I made contact with the victim. The victim advised that she had recently moved back to MN. The victim had been looking for employment and was utilizing ZipRecruiter.com.

The victim advised she was contacted for a position with Windstream and was hired by them. All of the communication for the job was conducted via Google Hangouts, email, and texts. After becoming employed with Windstream, the victim advised she received two checks amounting to \$7300.00. The two checks were to be deposited and used to purchase the business software that she would be using for her job in HR and accounts payable. The victim advised that she deposited the checks into her account and had to wait two days for the checks to clear. Once the checks cleared, she was given instructions to send \$4500.00 to a Wells Fargo Account to pay for the software.

The victim went and obtained a cashier's check for \$4500.00 and deposited the check into the Wells Fargo account. After depositing the check into the account, the victim was contacted by her bank and told that the checks were bad.

The victim advised that she was told that the fraud department did not want to do anything about the situation. Furthermore, the victim advised that her bank had removed \$4500.00 from her bank account to be compensated for the bad check.

Andover

Thefts & Damage to Property

03.31 15xx 147 Ave NW – mail stolen from the mailbox

Arrests

04.03 Dakota St NW/Valley Dr NW – 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance, Warrant Arrest; a deputy stopped a driver for the license plate light being out. The driver had an active warrant. During the search of the vehicle narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

04.02 8xx 138 Ave NW – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a wife/husband domestic. The male was arrested.

04.01 Prairie Rd NW/Crosstown Blvd NW – 2nd Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The female was arrested. .28

03.31 Bunker Lake Blvd NW/Crosstown Dr NW – DAC-IPS; a deputy stopped a driver for not having a valid driver's license. The male was arrested.

Bethel

No incidents that would be reflected in this report were reported in Bethel this week.

Columbus

Thefts & Damage to Property

04.04 183xx Zodiac St NE – fuel stolen from the property

East Bethel

Thefts & Damage to Property

04.03 187xx Hwy 65 NE – business; vandalism to the building; window smashed

03.31 212xx Hwy 65 NE – catalytic converter cut off a vehicle

03.31 182xx Fillmore St NE – mail stolen from the mailbox

Arrests/Incidents

04.07 239xx Fillmore St NE – 5th Degree Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a husband/wife domestic. The female was arrested.

04.06 223xx Quincy St NE – Grass Fire, Failure to Extinguish the Fire; deputies responded to a grass fire at the location. The East Bethel Fire Department extinguished the fire. No one was injured.

04.04 181XX Hwy 65 NE – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a female/male domestic. The male was arrested.

04.03 220xx Quincy St NE – DANCO Violation; deputies responded to a report of a domestic abuse no contact order violation. It was determined that the order was violated. The male was arrested.

04.03 243xx Hwy 65 NE – Vehicle Fire, Recovered Stolen; deputies responded to a vehicle fire at the location. East Bethel Fire Department extinguished the fire. A check of the VIN returned the vehicle as stolen. The owners were advised.

04.02 236xx Rockney St NE – 5th Degree Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a wife/husband domestic. The male was arrested.

04.01 2xx Dahlia Dr NE – Violation of a No Contact Order; deputies responded to a report of a violation of a no contact order. It was determined that the order was violated. The male was arrested.

Ham Lake

Thefts & Damage to Property

04.04 138xx Johnson St NE – gas syphoned from a vehicle

04.01 9xx 159 Ave NE – attempted break in; back door damaged by being kicked

Arrests

04.06 169 Ave NE/Hwy 65 NE – 4th Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for failing to stop at a stop sign. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested.

Linwood

No incidents that would be reflected in this report were reported in Lindwood this week.

Nowthen

Thefts & Damage to Property

04.06 199xx Iguana St NW – business; 3 storage units broken into

04.02 67xx 207 Ave NW – vandalism to a mailbox, driveway and property tp'd

04.02 511xx Basalt St NW – vandalism to mailbox, driveway, vehicle and property tp'd

Oak Grove

Arrests

04.06 Viking Blvd NW/Nightingale St NW – 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance; a deputy stopped a driver for not having a valid driver's license. During the search of the vehicle narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

Laura Landes & Missi Reeder

Crime Prevention

Anoka County Sheriff's Office

**Information shared in this report covers crimes that may affect you - things like burglaries, thefts, damage to property, identity theft, etc. We only include a fraction of the calls that deputies regularly respond to.*

If you want to see data about what types of calls and how many we respond to log on to www.anokacounty.us/crimewatch and click on Crime Statistics on the left side. Stats are updated monthly.