



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF JAMES STUART

FRIDAY UPDATE: 04.28.17-05.05.17

Here are two Publisher Clearing House scams that I saw this week. Both victims were contacted by phone.

ORIGINAL OFFICER NARRATIVE A BANK EMPLOYEE CONTACTED DEPUTIES TO REPORT A FRAUD. I ARRIVED AND SPOKE TO THE VP OF THE BANK WHO STATED THE VICTIMS CAME INTO THE BANK TO GET A CASHIER'S CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000 TO SEND TO A PUBLISHERS CLEARING HOUSE THAT WAS TO PAY FOR THE INSURANCE AND STORAGE FEES FOR THE \$525,000.00 THAT THEY WERE REPORTED TO HAVE WON. I WENT TO TALK TO THE VICTIMS, THEY STATED THEY HAD ALREADY SENT 2 CASHIER'S CHECKS TO THESE PEOPLE AND THEY WERE CALLING FOR MORE MONEY. THE 2 CASHIER'S CHECKS SENT TOTALED \$5250.00. THE BANKER TRIED TO TELL THE VICTIMS THAT THIS WAS A SCAM AND NOT REAL. THE VICTIMS WERE VERY DISHEARTENED WHEN I TOLD THEM HE WAS RIGHT. I ADVISED THE VICTIMS TO REPORT THIS TO IC3.GOV FRAUD WEBSITE AND TO NOT ANSWER ANY OF THE CALLS COMING IN FROM THIS FRAUDULENT COMPANY.

ORIGINAL OFFICER NARRATIVE THE VICTIM CAME IN TO THE PD TO REPORT SHE HAD BEEN A VICTIM OF FRAUD. SHE RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM PHONE NUMBER 876-543-4063 STATING SHE HAD WON 2 MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE PUBLISHER'S CLEARING HOUSE. THE MAN SHE SPOKE TO TOLD HER SHE HAD TO SEND IN A FILING FEE OF \$285.00 TO CLAIM HER PRIZE. THE VICTIM SAID THE MALE INSTRUCTED HER TO WIRE THE MONEY THRU WALMART MONEY GRAM, WHICH SHE DID. THE VICTIM SAID THE MALE WHO SHE KNEW BY THE NAME OF STEVEN GRODIN WAS ACTING VERY SUSPICIOUS OVER THE PHONE AND DIDN'T WANT HER TO TELL ANY OF HER FAMILY MEMBERS WHAT SHE WAS DOING. AFTER THE VICTIM WIRED THE \$285.00 TO STEVEN HE STATED SHE WAS GOING TO HAVE TO SEND IN ANOTHER \$2,500.00 FOR OTHER FEES. THIS IS WHEN THE VICTIM STARTED TO SUSPECT THIS WAS A SCAM.

Andover

Burglaries

05.01 23xx 141 Ln NW – wine stolen from the garage refrigerator

Thefts & Damage to Property

05.02 49xx Marystone Blvd NW – mail stolen from the mailbox

05.02 142xx Raven St NW – vandalism to a home; spray painted

05.01 2115 Andover Blvd NW – perfume stolen from the girls locker-room

04.30 155xx Xeon St NW – punched vehicle lock; tools

04.30 14xx 141 Ln NW – vandalism to a home; egged

04.29 147xx Jay St NW – forced entry through a car window; backpack and bicycle equipment

Arrests

05.03 8xx 138 Ave NW – OFP Violation; deputies responded to a report of an order for protection violation. It was determined that the order was violated. The male was arrested.

04.29 140xx Underclift St NW – Criminal Vehicular Homicide-Single Vehicle; deputies responded to a single vehicle crash. The passenger ejected from the vehicle and pronounced dead at the scene. The driver was arrested and legal blood taken.

Bethel

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

Columbus

Arrests

05.04 147xx Lake Dr NE – Vehicle Theft; business; deputies responded to a report of a vehicle theft. The vehicle had an active GPS. The vehicle was located and one male and three females were arrested.

East Bethel

Thefts & Damage to Property

05.02 206xx Buchanan St NE – unsecure vehicle; cash, paperwork

Arrests

05.02 237 Ave NE/Isanti St NE – 4th Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. .145

05.02 1800 Block of Viking Blvd NE – 4th Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. .14

05.02 181xx Hwy 65 NE – DANCO Violation; deputies responded to a girlfriend/boyfriend domestic. It was determined that there was an active domestic abuse no contact order between the two. The male was arrested.

05.02 3xx Cedar Rd NE – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a girlfriend/boyfriend domestic. The male was arrested.

04.29 13xx 187 Ln NE - 4th Degree DWI; deputies responded to a report of a female passed out in her vehicle at the business. The female appeared intoxicated and smelt of alcohol. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The female was arrested. .121

Ham Lake

Burglaries

05.01 155xx Hwy 65 NE – forced entry into an abandoned business; nothing of value was stolen

Thefts & Damage to Property

05.02 135xx Hwy 65 NE – vehicle window smashed; stereo

05.01 134xx Quincy St NE – license plate stolen off a vehicle

Arrests

05.02 15200 Block of Hwy 65 NE – a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. The driver did not have a valid driver's license or insurance on the vehicle. During the search of the marijuana and a stolen gun were located. The on-duty Sgt. and CID were contacted. The male was arrested.

04.28 176xx Hwy 65 NE – Warrant Arrest, 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance; a deputy stopped a driver for having an active warrant. During the search of the vehicle narcotics were located. The male and female occupants were arrested.

Linwood

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

Nowthen

Thefts & Damage to Property

05.04 187xx Peridot St NW – unsecure vehicle; ipad, ipod

Oak Grove

Arrests

05.04 224xx Saint Francis Blvd NW – 5th Degree Assault; deputies responded to a staff/client assault. The male client 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.