



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF JAMES STUART

FRIDAY UPDATE: 04.20.18

This is a report of fraud that victimized a 78 year-old female in the city of Andover. Please talk with your family, parents, friends, and social groups about these types of crimes. As law enforcement, the best thing we can do to stop these types of crimes is to educate – and we need your help.

Complainant reports a few months ago she received a email on her computer or it may of been someone calling her about protecting her computer from Russia "hacking" it. The complainant reports she has been paying this individual thousands of dollars in gift cards to protect her computer and each time they ask for more money because of a 30% additive fee and a "delay" fee. The complainant continued paying through gift cards until recently she realized it was a scam. The complainant states she paid upward of fifteen thousand dollars, she is not sure of the exact amount. The complainant states the male has a accent and calls her on her land line and cellphone. The complainant states when she buys the gift cards, the male tells her to scratch off the back and read him the numbers. The complainant states she never gave her social security or debit card numbers to the male but she had to change her bank account with Wells Fargo twice because of inaccuracy in her bank account. The complainant states Wells Fargo is aware of the situation and is watching her account. The complainant states she received the calls from dozens of different phone numbers from New York and some Minnesota numbers. The complainant states the main number that they call from is from Platsville, New York (518) 299-0352. I advised the complainant not to answer the calls anymore and to speak to someone that works with her phone carrier to see if the incoming numbers can be blocked, no further information at this time.

Andover

Thefts & Damage to Property

04.18 152xx Avocet St NW – license plate stolen off a vehicle

Arrests

04.19 Hanson Blvd NW/161 Ave NW – Terroristic Threats; deputies responded to a road rage situation where a gun was displayed. Two-of-the-three suspect vehicle were located. One man was arrested.

04.16 15xx 154 Ave NW – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to domestic between two brothers. Both males were arrested.

04.14 11xx 142 Ave NW – 2nd Degree Assault; deputies responded to a domestic between brothers. One of the males was arrested.

Bethel

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

Columbus

Thefts & Damage to Property

04.16 143xx Lake Dr NE – business; scrap metal taken from the property

East Bethel

Arrests

04.19 44xx Fawn Lake Dr NE – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a father/son domestic. The son was arrested.

04.17 East Bethel Blvd NE/Klondike Dr NE – Possession of a Controlled Substance; a deputy stopped a driver for failing to signal his turn. During the search of the vehicle narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

04.15 241st Ave NE/Hwy 65 NE – DWI, Criminal Vehicular Operation; deputies responded to a 2 vehicle personal injury crash at the location. One of the driver's appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. .20

Ham Lake

Thefts & Damage to Property

04.17 138xx Johnson St NE – business; tires and rims stolen from the property

Arrests

04.17 Crosstown Blvd NE/Hwy 65 NE – Warrant Arrest, DAS; a deputy stopped a driver for having expired vehicle registration. The driver had an active warrant. During the search of the vehicle narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

04.14 Andover Blvd NE/Washington St NE – 4th Degree DWI; deputies responded to a report of a vehicle in the ditch at the location. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. .100

04.14 176xx Central Ave NE – 4th Degree DWI; deputies stopped out with a vehicle in the parking lot of a business. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. .09

Linwood

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

Nowthen

Arrests

04.07 77xx Viking Blvd NW – 2nd Degree DWI; deputies responded to a single vehicle crash. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The female was arrested. .225

Oak Grove

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

Laura Landes & Missi Reeder

Crime Prevention

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**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.