



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF BRAD WISE

FRIDAY UPDATE: 10.27.23

Scams

10.23 The victim explained that on 10/18/23, he attempted to buy bitcoin through CashApp. He stated that he typed in bitcoin in the search bar and sent the money to a user named - \$btctrd. He sent \$450 through the app and never received anything in return. He stated that he contacted CashApp regarding the transaction and they told him they cannot reverse the money. The victim said there is no way to track the transaction that he initiated to \$btctrd.

10.23 The victim stated she received a call today from someone pretending to be an Anoka County deputy. The caller stated their name was Lt. Heath, and called from 763-324-5030. The caller told her she missed court. They also told her to bring \$14,000 to the courthouse, or she will have warrants issued for her arrest. I advised her this is a scam. I also advised her that we would not call her and tell her to bring money to the courthouse if she missed court.

10.24 Business lost \$170,000. They received an email (they thought) from a company that was requesting they pay their final bill for some work that was recently done. The work was completed so the business paid the bill. However, the person who was emailing them for payment was not from the company they owed money to – he just created a very similar email. The business paid the money and is trying to work with the bank to get it back, but it doesn't look good.

10.24 I spoke with the juvenile reporting party; he stated he had sent nude pictures of himself to a girl he was talking to on Snap Chat. He stated he has been talking to this person since Friday. About 10 minutes ago, the person told him he needed to send \$500.00 and if he did not send the money, they would post his nude pictures on Instagram. I advised him that this is a very common scam and to report both accounts and block them. I told him to not send any money or message the accounts any further and to call back if the accounts actually post his pictures.

10.26 The victim advised he received a message from Facebook messenger requesting he verify his account by sending a picture of his driver's license. He advised that he sent the picture and later learned that it was a scam. He said that he took the precautions recommended by FTC.gov and put alerts on his credit reports. Documentation only at this time.

10.26 The victim was contacted by someone claiming to work for a sheriff's office. He did not answer the phone and this person left him a voicemail. The voicemail stated that it was imperative that he call back, the caller identified himself as Reginald Reed. I called the number and got a voicemail from someone calling themselves, Deputy Sheriff Reginald Reed. Not long later the victim called in again reporting that he spoke with Reginald on the phone. Reginald told him that he missed a jury duty that he was summoned for and that he was possible in some trouble. Andrew then asked Reginald for his rank and badge number, he then quickly hung up the phone.

Andover

Thefts & Damage to Property

10.22 142xx Inca St NW – vandalism to new outdoor grills and a fireplace at the location

10.24 22xx 139 Ave NW – attempted to force entry into a shed in the yard

Arrests

10.21 7 Ave/145 Ave NW – DWI 3rd degree; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding 71/55. When he made contact, he smelled alcohol. The driver stated he had 4 beers. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. He was arrested. .10

10.21 Bunker Lake/Jay St NW – DWI 4th degree; a deputy observed a driver going eastbound in the westbound lane of traffic. He stopped the driver. The driver appeared off. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed, but he blew .00. A warrant for blood was obtained. He was arrested.

10.22 Verdin/174 Lane NW – DWI 3rd degree; a deputy was called to a male slumped over a steering wheel in the middle of the street. He arrived and located the driver and he smelled like alcohol. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. He was arrested. .215

10.23 Martin/Bunker Lake Blvd NW – DWI 4th degree; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. When he made contact, he smelled alcohol. When asked how much she had to drink, she stated “not much.” Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. She was arrested. .08

10.25 36xx 139 Lane NW – No Contact Order Violation; a female called 911 and advised her ex-husband was at the location in violation of a no contact order. Deputies arrived and investigated. The male was arrested.

10.25 21xx Andover Blvd NW – Warrant Arrest; Anoka County Probation requested we arrest a juvenile for a probation violation. Deputies went to the location and the male was located and arrested.

10.25 138xx Round Lake Blvd NW – Warrant Arrest; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding and a loud exhaust. The driver was identified and he had a PC Pickup out of Fridley for a stolen vehicle. He was arrested.

Bethel

Burglaries

10.24 1xx St Francis Ave NW – unlocked detached garage; tools, saw, helmet

Columbus

Arrests

10.20 96xx Howard Lake Dr NE – No Contact Order Violation; deputies responded to a violation of a no contact order. The suspect was located in Forest Lake and arrested.

10.26 Broadway/Potomac St NE – Warrant Arrest; a deputy stopped a driver for not having a license plate light. The driver was identified and he did not have insurance or a driver’s license but he did have a felony warrant out of Carver County. He was arrested.

East Bethel

Burglaries

10.20 business; theft from a trailer, forced entry – a fish house and augers stolen

Thefts & Damage to Property

10.24 12xx 242 Way NE – theft of a utility trailer parked in the driveway

10.26 181xx Hwy 65 NE – vandalism to pumpkins, ding-dong-ditch; juvenile suspect identified

10.27 17xx 207 Lane NE – males jumping on vehicle to activate car alarm

Arrests

10.21 Hwy 65/209 Ave NE – Warrant Arrest; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. He made contact and identified the driver. The driver had multiple warrants. He was arrested.

10.24 201xx Frazer St NE – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a physical assault between a husband and wife. Deputies investigated and the husband was arrested.

10.24 243xx Hwy 65 NE – Warrant Arrest; a deputy stopped a vehicle because he knew the driver had a warrant for a Domestic Assault. He was arrested.

Ham Lake

Thefts & Damage to Property

10.20 138xx Aberdeen St NE – a check was “washed” and cashed in NJ from a business for \$24K

10.25 160xx Lexington Ave NE – x2 windows broken on vehicle; stole purse

Arrests

10.24 15400 Block Hwy 65 NE – Drugs; a deputy ran a plate and the registered owner came back revoked and tabs came back expired. He stopped the vehicle. The driver provided his driver’s license but appeared nervous. The driver stated he had some illegally packaged marijuana. The vehicle was searched and prescription meds and meth were found in the vehicle. He was arrested.

10.24 15400 Hwy 65 NE – No Contact Order Violation; a male had forced his way into his ex-girlfriend’s home. Deputies arrived and located him hiding in a bathroom. He was arrested.

10.27 17300 Block Hwy 65 NE – DWI Refusal; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding 80/65. When he made contact with the driver he appeared impaired and was combative. When asked for his license, he handed the deputy a credit card. Field sobriety tests were failed and he refused to perform the DMT test. He was arrested. .16

Linwood

Thefts & Damage to Property

10.20 Typo Lake Boat Launch – an abandoned boat was located

Arrests

10.24 227xx Elbe St NE – No Contact Order Violation; a deputy took a report where a man violated a no contact order. Another deputy observed the male driving and stopped him. While being searched prior to arrest, marijuana and open shot bottles were found on him. He was also required to have an ignition interlock which he did not. He was arrested.

Nowthen

Burglaries

10.22 83xx Viking Blvd NW – lock cut off a storage unit; misc items stolen

Thefts & Damage to Property

10.22 187xx Nowthen Blvd NW – a bullet was found shot through a window

Oak Grove

Thefts & Damage to Property

10.26 204xx Ivywood St NW – theft of an Amazon package from the front porch

Arrests

10.20 27xx 207 Ave NW – Domestic Assault; Ramsey PD requested deputies go to the location and look for a male who was involved in a domestic assault in their city. They arrived and located the male. He was arrested.

10.25 2xx 214 Ave NW – Theft; on routine patrol a deputy observed a vehicle leaving a construction area at 1 am with a large amount of lumber. Due to the suspicious nature, he stopped the driver. After investigating, it was discovered the male had stolen it from a new construction site. He was arrested.

10.24 222xx Rum River Blvd NW – Warrant Arrest; deputies went to the location because there was a juvenile female there who they knew had a felony warrant. She was located and arrested.

****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.***

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