



## **ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF BRAD WISE**

**FRIDAY UPDATE: 02.17.23**

### **Scams**

02.12 The caller stated that he has been receiving several phone calls from someone claiming to be from the Publishers Clearing House. He provided me with the name of David Robinson and phone number 813-515-8538. The victim said that Robinson wanted him to go to the Andover Wells Fargo and get out fifteen thousand dollars. He said that he was given an account number and a routing number to deposit the money in. The victim stated that if he did this, Robinson would give him a brand-new truck and two million dollars. He stated that Robinson was going to show up at his house tomorrow morning to give him his winnings. I advised him of the scam and recommended that he does not give the fifteen thousand dollars. The victim was also worried about Robinson showing up at his house. I advised him to call 911 if anyone unfamiliar shows up to his house.

02.13 The victim stated that she received a message via Instagram from a person who wanted to paint a picture of her. She stated that she believed it was a legit account, so she went along with it. The person from the account then directed her to deposit a check that was sent her, which she did. She was then directed to send the money from the check to the person's account. She stated that she attempted to do it but was not able to. She stated that she then started receiving threatening text messages stating that she needs to send the money. She then stated that she realized it was not legit and called law enforcement. I advised her to block all communication and contact her back about the \$1000 check she deposited.

02.16 Grandparent Scam: The victim received a phone call from 250.609.7589 from a male claiming to be his grandson. He said he had been arrested and needed bail money. The victim was familiar with the scam and hung up.

### **Andover**

#### **Thefts & Damage to Property**

02.10 151xx Norway St NW – lock cut off enclosed trailer at construction site; multiple tools

02.15 135xx Thrush St NW – catalytic converter cut from work vehicle at the location

#### **Arrests**

02.10 3xx 141 Ave NW – Assault; deputies responded to a domestic between family members where one person was stabbed. After investigating, one person was arrested.

02.10 24xx 135 Ave NW – Domestic Assault; a woman reported a male who she has a protection order against had broken into her home. Deputies arrived and evacuated the home and searched for the suspect. He was located hiding in the duct work, stuck, with a gun. He was arrested.

02.11 172xx Woodbine St NW – Assault; a deputy responded to a domestic report involving a father and daughter. The father appeared intoxicated. He was speaking with a deputy in the driveway when he became belligerent and started filming a deputy. The deputy was fine with being filmed, but when

the suspect turned on his camera light, it blinded him, and the suspect encroached on the deputies space. With another deputy coming to his aid, the situation was gotten under control and the male was arrested.

02.11 133 Ave/Partridge – No Driver’s License; a caller reported a woman being forced into a vehicle with a possible domestic going on. A deputy located the vehicle and stopped it. He knew the occupants from past domestic calls. This time, it did not appear to be a domestic situation, the passenger was just intoxicated. However, the driver did not have a license and he was arrested.

02.13 181 Ave/Ivywood St NW – No Driver’s License; a deputy stopped a driver for suspicious activity. The driver told the deputy he did not have a driver’s license. A K9 was called in to search the vehicle due to circumstances; no drugs were found. The driver was arrested.

02.15 35xx 144 Ave NW – Warrant Arrest; a resident reported a suspicious vehicle parked in the neighborhood. A deputy made contact with the occupant, and she was identified. She had a warrant and was arrested.

## **Bethel**

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

## **Columbus**

### **Thefts & Damage to Property**

02.14 134xx Lake Dr NE – theft of mail; outgoing checks have been cashed

### **Arrests**

02.14 152xx Zurich St NE – Drugs; a deputy ran a plate, and the registered owner came back as revoked. He stopped the vehicle. While speaking with the driver, the deputy observed a rubber tube and glass pipe in plain view. The vehicle was searched, and meth, morphine, and other paraphernalia items were located. The driver was arrested. The passenger also had warrants, so she was arrested too.

02.14 141xx W Freeway Dr NE – Warrant Arrest; deputies were responding to a 911 open line where they heard fighting and hitting. When they were arriving at the scene, a female was leaving in a vehicle, and they stopped her. After speaking with her and a male at the scene, both denied anything physical happened. They were run for checks and the female had warrants. She was arrested.

## **East Bethel**

### **Thefts & Damage to Property**

02.15 26xx Fawn Lake Dr NE – mailbox hit by a vehicle

### **Arrests**

02.15 181xx Hwy 65 NE – Warrant Arrest; a juvenile probation officer asked the deputy to go to the location and locate a male who has a warrant. He went to the home and the juvenile who answered the door asked, “do you have a warrant” and the deputy replied yes. The juvenile was found hiding in the bathroom. He was arrested.

## Ham Lake

### Thefts & Damage to Property

02.12 17xx Bunker Lake Blvd – catalytic converter cut off vehicle parking in church lot during service

02.13 133xx Aberdeen St NE – locks cut off storage containers at a business; tools, wires

### Arrests

02.13 Central Ave/Johnson St NE – DWI 4<sup>th</sup> degree; a deputy stopped a driver for failing to signal a turn. When she made contact, the driver appeared fidgety and impaired by drugs. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. A warrant for blood was obtained. Drugs and paraphernalia were found in the vehicle. She was arrested.

02.16 157 Ave/Hwy 65 NE – DWI Refusal; a deputy was on a traffic stop when a vehicle passed him at a high rate of speed, not moving over to the further lane when it was open. He got in his vehicle and stopped the driver. When he made contact, he smelled alcohol. The driver said she had 2 glasses of wine. Field sobriety tests we conducted and failed. She was arrested. .152 Charges are elevated due to a prior DWI conviction.

## Linwood

### Thefts & Damage to Property

02.17 85xx 240 Ave NE – a trailer stolen out of Maple Grove was located at the address

## Nowthen

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

## Oak Grove

### Arrests

02.13 229 Ave/University Ave NW – False Information; a deputy stopped a driver for having expired tabs. When he made contact with her, she was evasive and lied about her name. After investigating, her real name was discovered, and she had multiple warrants for drugs and fraud. She was 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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