



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF JAMES STUART

FRIDAY UPDATE: 04.02.21

Here is a good reason to check your credit report regularly. This victim would never have found out about the identity theft if she hadn't. She was able to secure her accounts before it got too out of control.

I spoke with the victim by phone regarding an unknown person(s) opening an AT&T cell phone account in her name. She found the fraud occurred when she was reviewing her credit score. The victim said she found that an unknown person(s) opened an AT&T cell phone account in Detroit Michigan on March 1, 2020 and that account was opened with her social security number. The account continued until September 18, 2020 for a balance of \$623.29. The AT&T account then went to a collection agency, which has affected the victim's credit score. The victim wanted this activity documented with ACSO. No suspect information at this time.

Scams

03.30 Call claiming to be son, he was arrested and needed money – version of "grandparent" scam; loss \$9000 mailed to a "public defender" in Boston for "bail"

03.31 Call claiming to be Publisher Clearing House requesting CC# and \$500 to claim prize

04.01 Call from a Mexico prefix stating they had the victim's daughter and demanded ransom

Andover

Thefts & Damage to Property

03.26 14xx 153 Lane NW – multiple complaints of ding-dong-ditch; suspects caught

03.27 169xx Tulip St NW – home being tp'd/vandalized in the area

03.28 11xx 141 Lane NW – theft from an unlocked vehicle parking inside a garage; computers

03.29 32xx 140 Ave NW – theft of mail

04.01 17xx 147 Lane NW – theft of mail

Arrests

03.26 158xx Norway St NW – OFP Violation; deputies responded to a call of a female at the location that the occupants of the home had an order for protection against. The woman was located in the closet sleeping; she was arrested.

03.27 3400 Block 138 Lane NW – Warrant Arrest; while running traffic, a deputy observed expired tabs and stopped the vehicle. The driver was identified and was found to have a felony warrant out of St. Louis County and he did not have a driver's license. He was arrested.

03.30 Hanson/154 Ave NW – 3rd degree DWI, Drugs; deputies responded to a 2-vehicle crash. When they arrived, the driver that rear-ended the other appeared impaired. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. She was arrested. .28 When she was being checked into the jail, prescription schedule 2 narcotics were found in her purse that did not belong to her.

04.01 136xx Crosstown Blvd NW – False Information, Warrants; a deputy observed an occupied suspicious vehicle parked in a business lot. He ran the plate. Through investigation, it was learned the male had warrants. When the deputy made contact, the male lied about his identity. It was found out and he was arrested.

Bethel

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

Columbus

Arrests

03.27 149xx Lake Dr NE – Warrant Arrest x 2; a deputy stopped a driver for driving with no headlights on and it was raining. When the deputy made contact with the driver, he recognized him and knew he had a warrant. He was arrested. A passenger in the vehicle was also recognized by the deputy as a male that had fled deputies the night before. He was told to step out of the vehicle and was arrested. He claimed he ingested drugs, so an ambulance was called. He was checked out by paramedics and deemed fine, so he went to jail.

03.29 6200 Block Broadway Ave NE – Drugs; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding 90/55. When he made contact with the driver, he observed a glass pipe commonly used to smoke meth. The vehicle was searched and meth and marijuana were found. The driver was interviewed and due to current Covid restrictions at the jail, he will be charged by formal complaint.

East Bethel

Thefts & Damage to Property

03.29 232xx University Ave NE – vandalism to Bethel Haunted Forest; spray paint, smashing scenes
03.30 209xx Hastings St NE – vehicle stolen from yard, unsecured, keys in it; used in a gas drive-off
03.31 236xx London Ct NE – unsecured vehicle in driveway rummaged through; nothing taken

Arrests

03.26 243xx London St NE – Warrant Arrest; deputies were called to a report of an assault in progress. When they arrived the suspect had fled, and the victim did not want to press charges. When the victim was identified, he was found to have a felony probation violation warrant. He was arrested.

03.28 Hwy 65/221 Ave NE – 2nd degree DWI; a caller reported a possible drunk driver. The deputy located the vehicle and observed poor driving conduct and stopped the vehicle. The driver appeared impaired. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. She was arrested .30 Charges were elevated due to alcohol content and a prior DWI conviction.

Ham Lake

Thefts & Damage to Property

03.29 164xx Aberdeen St NE – business; locks cut of trailers and catalytic converters cut off vehicles
03.29 177xx Johnson St NE – a home was egged; second time in two weeks
03.29 163xx Aberdeen St NE – catalytic converter cut from a vehicle in lot

Arrests

03.26 134xx Hwy 65 NE – Warrant Arrest; a deputy responded to a call of an unwanted male at the location. When the male was identified, he was found to have four warrants in various counties. He was arrested.

03.28 146xx Hwy 65 NE – Controlled Substance Possession; a deputy stopped a driver because he knew she did not have a driver’s license. When the deputy made contact, he observed a child in the backseat and a male in the passenger seat. The male refused to identify himself. Paraphernalia was seen in the vehicle so a K9 searched it for drugs; drugs were found. The male’s identity was learned – he had two warrants out of Dakota County, and the drugs were his. He was arrested and a friend was called to pick up the driver and child.

03.30 162xx Lexington Ave NE – 2nd degree DWI; a deputy was called to the location by a homeowner who explained a male was driving through her yard, snapping power line tethers, and hit her pole barn with his vehicle. When the deputy arrived and located the male, he appeared high. He was placed in an ambulance for care and field sobriety tests could not be conducted. A warrant for blood was obtained. Meth and other drugs were located in the vehicle. He was arrested when released from the hospital.

03.31 23xx 149 Ave NE – HRO Violation; a deputy responded to a male throwing an ax at a vehicle. The male in the vehicle had a restraining order against the male with the ax. After investigating, the male with the ax violated the restraining order and was arrested. Due to COVID restrictions right now in the jail, the suspect will be charged by citation.

04.01 134xx Hwy 65 NE – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a call of “shots fired from a vehicle.” The vehicle and occupants were located. Through investigation it was determined the male assaulted the female and he was arrested. A BB gun was located. While on the call, Juvenile Probations contacted deputies and asked us to arrest he female for a probations violation warrant.

Linwood

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

Nowthen

Thefts & Damage to Property

03.28 188xx Iman St NW – unsecured trailer stolen from property

Arrests

03.27 169xx Nowthen Blvd NW – 3rd degree DWI; a deputy responded to a crash involving an ATV. When he arrived the driver appeared intoxicated and injured. He was checked out by paramedics and then field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. He was brought to the hospital for treatment and a warrant for legal blood was obtained. Charges were elevated due to two prior DWI convictions.
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Oak Grove

Thefts & Damage to Property

03.28 191/albatross St NW – ding-dong-ditch being done in the area

Arrests

03.26 13xx Viking Blvd NW – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a call of a physical fight between roommates. When they arrived they were separated. One 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.*

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.