



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF JAMES STUART

FRIDAY UPDATE: 04.23.21

Often times children forget who is in charge. I am glad we could assist.

On 04.21 a 16yo female called 911 because she was upset that her dad took her cell phone and threatened to break it. She said she paid for the phone and wanted it back. I told her that since she is 16 her Dad can do whatever he wants with her phone.

An attempt to locate was put out for a missing person from Oakdale. An observant store clerk noticed a confused male at a gas station in Columbus and was kind enough to call us to report it.

On 04/19/21, at 00:43 hours, I was dispatched to the Holiday gas station in Columbus on a report of an elderly male that appeared confused and disoriented. He had been in their parking lot for a couple of hours. The license plate of the car he was in listed to a male who had a KOPS alert out on him as a missing person out of Oakdale, MN. Upon arrival, I spoke with the male and confirmed his identity. I spoke with an Oakdale Officer and he made contact with the male's daughter. She requested her father be transported to the hospital. I obtained the keys to the vehicle and gave them to gas station staff; the daughter said they would pick up the vehicle later.

Scams/Fraud

- 04.19 Call from Amazon claiming fraudulent charges on account asked for personal information
- 04.21 Phone call stating a "document" company needs info or the Sheriff will arrest him on a warrant
- 04.22 Victim went to file his taxes, and someone had already filed under his name and SS#
- 04.22 Call claiming to be SS office, threatened arrest if she didn't provide personal information

There was an uptick this week in reports of MN Unemployment Fraud from residents – 15 reports.

Andover

Thefts & Damage to Property

- 04.19 33xx Bunker Lake Blvd NW – vehicle stolen from parking lot; broken glass found in its spot
- 04.19 34xx Bunker Lake Blvd NW – stolen vehicle was recovered in the parking lot; stolen in Fridley
- 04.21 133xx Tulip St NW – license plate stolen off a vehicle parked in the driveway

Bethel

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

Columbus

Thefts & Damage to Property

- 04.22 68xx 153 Ave NE – theft of mail that was put in mailbox with flag up

Arrests

- 04.18 8600 block Broadway NE – Warrant Arrests; a deputy ran a plate and the registered owner had a warrant. The vehicle as stopped, the driver identified and he was arrested.

04.19 152xx Zurich St NE – Warrant Arrest; the business called on a disorderly male. When deputies arrived he was identified and found to have a warrant. He was told he was under arrest. He stated he wasn't going to jail. He was searched, meth was found, he was arrested.

04.21 6300 Block Broadway Ave NE – 2nd degree DWI; a passerby called in a vehicle in the ditch that was occupied, and the driver appeared impaired. Deputies arrived and located the driver and helped her from the vehicle. She appeared impaired. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. She was arrested. Charges were elevated due to 2 prior DWI convictions and alcohol content. .337

East Bethel

Thefts & Damage to Property

04.18 24xx 183 Ave NE – theft of a boat parked on the property

04.18 12xx 241 Ave NE – locks cut off 2 storage units; guitars and tools stolen

04.18 221xx Palisade St NE – Amazon package stolen from front step; caught on camera

04.22 222xx Vermillion St NE – theft of packages being sent from the mailbox

Arrests

04.18 Hwy 65/187 Lane NE – 4th degree DWI; a deputy was following a vehicle that drove off the roadway. The deputy stopped to help. The driver appeared impaired. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. He was arrested. .094

04.19 205xx University Ave NE – Assault; deputies responded to an assault occurring between a staff member and client. The client was arrested.

04.21 48xx Viking Blvd NE – Disorderly Conduct; deputies were called due to an intoxicated, unruly female at the location. When they arrived, she was removed from the business and advised to call for a ride home; she refused. She became combative. She was offered a bed at detox, she refused. She then started fighting with deputies. She was arrested.

Ham Lake

Thefts & Damage to Property

04.18 135xx Hwy 65 NE – wheels stolen off a work vehicle in the parking lot

04.19 12xx 172 Lane NE – illegal dumping; suspect identified and made to remove items

04.20 150xx Aberdeen St NE – catalytic converters cut off of "junk" vehicles, stole tools from trailer

04.22 156xx Central Ave NE – theft of license plate from vehicle

Arrests

04.16 19400 Hwy 65 NE – 4th degree DWI; a caller reported a wrong-way driver on Hwy 65. Deputies located the vehicle and stopped it. When speaking with the driver he appeared impaired and thought he was in Columbia Heights. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. He was arrested. .161

04.16 16xx Deerwood Dr NE – Warrant Arrest; on routine patrol a deputy observed a male standing outside and he knew he had multiple warrants. He called the suspects name and told him he was under arrest. The suspect ran into a home and locked himself in a bathroom. After agreeing to let the suspect have a cigarette before being arrested, he agreed to come out of the bathroom. He smoked, and then went to jail.

04.18 Flamingo/Hwy 65 NE – DWI Refusal; a caller reported a possible drunk driver. A deputy located the vehicle and observed poor driving conduct and stopped the vehicle. The driver appeared impaired but insisted he had nothing to drink. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. He was arrested. .203

04.17 141 Lane/Radisson Rd NE – Warrant Arrest; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding. When the driver was identified, it was learned he had warrants. He was arrested.

04.20 Hwy 65/143 Ave NE – Drugs; a deputy stopped a vehicle for being suspicious. When he approached the window, he smelled marijuana and observed a gun on the floor. The driver was removed from the vehicle and it was searched. The gun turned out to be a BB gun and meth was found in the car. He was arrested.

Linwood

Arrests

04.17 Viking/Thames St NE – 2nd degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding. When he made contact with the driver, he observed a bottle of vodka and empty cans of alcohol. The driver appeared impaired. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. He was arrested. .19

Nowthen

Arrests

04.23 Bridge/Rum River Blvd – Warrant Arrest; a deputy made contact with a male on a bike with no lights and it was after midnight. The male was identified and found to have a warrant. He was arrested.

Oak Grove

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

**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.