



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF JAMES STUART

FRIDAY UPDATE: 05.07.21

We love it when we can prevent someone from being a victim! Here is a report from a deputy who was able to be on the phone with the potential victim while they were on the phone with the scammer!

Dispatched to call the reporting party regarding a suspicious phone call. I called the female who said she received a phone call from who she thought was her daughter and she said she was in an accident and she could not talk long and said an officer will be calling her back and the phone hung up. An officer verbally ID'd as Bill Hanley said her daughter was in an accident, she had already seen the judge and needed \$90,000 bail and they could pay 10% and had to be cash. The daughter sounded hysterical and the victim and her husband took the call while they were driving.

I told the female to pause and call their daughter directly to be sure she was OK as this sounded like a scam call. Her husband called their daughter on his phone and she answered and said she was ok. The female thanked me and said everything was ok now. They were not out any money.

Scams

- 04.30 Fake job offer at Nogra Pharma; sent fake check for \$4950 and requested personal info
- 04.30 Call from "Officer Parker Jones" threatening a warrant unless victim provides personal info
- 05.01 Call claiming to be "Medicare" needing to verify personal information
- 05.03 FB Marketplace scam, transferred cash via CashApp, shipped items, no money received
- 05.05 When purchasing an item online, credit card info entered, computer locked up and a message to call Microsoft firewall. Victim did and they gained access to her computer remotely and stole info.
- 05.05 Call from Publishers CH stating victim won and needed to send \$500 in gift cards to claim
- 05.06 Fake email from Infoustradebd.com claiming Geek Squad services needed to be renewed
- 05.06 Grandparent scam, in accident, needed \$9000 for bail

Sometimes I just don't know what to say: I was dispatched a phone call fraud report. I made contact with the caller and identified her. She told me that she received a phone call from number (732-704-6358) and spoke with a male claiming to be David Stark. She said that Stark told her to buy gift cards and provide him with the card numbers. The victim said that she went to the store and bought two \$500.00 gift cards and provided Stark with the card number for one of the cards. Stark advised her that he will contact her at a later time to get the other card numbers. I advised the victim to contact her bank and no longer talk to Stark.

Andover

Thefts & Damage to Property

- 05.01 S Coon Creek/143rd – graffiti sprayed under bridge; suspects identified, charges pending
- 05.02 7xx 141 Lane NW – vandalism; home tp'd, concrete poured on driveway
- 05.03 12xx 151 Lane NW – building materials stolen from construction site; suspect identified
- 05.03 30xx 162 Lan NW – catalytic converter cut off work vehicle at the location
- 05.06 11xx 168 Ave NW – work truck at construction site stolen, keys in it

Arrests

05.01 171xx Block Hanson Blvd NW – 4th degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding 78/55. When he made contact with the driver, the deputy could smell marijuana and alcohol. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The driver was arrested. .148

05.02 11xx 137 Lane NW – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a mother/son domestic. The son was arrested.

05.04 3xx 144 Lane NW – Warrant Arrest; deputies went to the location to look for a male who had a 1st degree Aggravated Robbery warrant. He was located and arrested.

Bethel

Arrests

05.01 23800 Block Cooper Ave NW – Warrant Arrest; a deputy stopped a vehicle because the male driving it had a warrant. He was identified and arrested.

Columbus

Arrests

04.30 9500 Block Howard Lake Dr NE – 2nd degree DWI; a deputy responded to a vehicle in the ditch. When he arrived he located the driver and observed an open can of beer in the vehicle. The driver appeared impaired. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. He was arrested. .16
Charges were elevated due to two children being in the vehicle.

East Bethel

Arrests

04.30 181xx Hwy 65 NE – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a father/son fight. The son had fled prior to the deputy's arrival. An attempt to locate and a KOPS alert was put out for the son's arrest. The son was located and arrested a day later.

05.05 20600 Block of Polk St NE – Warrant Arrest; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding 65/45. The driver was identified and found to have a warrant out of Ramsey County. He was arrested.

Ham Lake

Thefts & Damage to Property

05.04 146xx Aberdeen St NE – camper parked at the location was stolen

05.05 171xx Hwy 65 NE – a stolen vehicle out of Brooklyn Center as located at the location

Arrests

04.30 90xx Birchview lane NE – Fleeing; deputies were assisting Blaine PD in locating a group of motorcycles that fled from them. Deputies located the motorcycles at this address and observed a male inside who was a suspect. He was ordered out of the home, arrested, and transferred to a Blaine officer.

05.04 400 Block Bunker Lake Blvd NE – 4th degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. When the deputy made contact, he could smell alcohol and the driver appeared impaired. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. He was arrested. .08

Linwood

No incident that would be included in this report were reported in Linwood.

Nowthen

Burglaries

05.06 73xx Pinnaker Rd NW – home under construction, forced entry, tools stolen

Oak Grove

Arrests

05.01 700 Block Viking Blvd NW – 3rd degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding 100/55. When the deputy made contact with the driver he smelled alcohol and asked if the driver had been drinking. He stated he had a couple drinks. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. He was arrested. .17

**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.