



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF JAMES STUART

FRIDAY UPDATE: 01.17.20

We have thieves claiming to be members of our office calling residents claiming they missed a jury duty assignment. If you ever receive a call from someone claiming to be from our office, you can hang up and call us at 763.324.5000 if it is during business hours or call 911 outside of business hours. Here is the report:

On 01-14-20, at 1529 hours, I was dispatched a suspicious phone call report. The caller reported receiving a voicemail from 763-324-5000 (*this is our number, but it was spoofed for caller ID*). The caller identified himself as Paul Newsome with the Anoka County Sheriff's Office. He requested a call back at 763-645-0056. When the victim called the number, the male identifying himself as Paul Newsome, explained that she had missed her jury duty assignment with Anoka County. He advised her to go to the Anoka County Sheriff's Office and complete an affidavit explaining her absence. She ended the call before getting any further instructions. The male knew her address but did not ask for any personal or financial information. I explained the phishing scam to the victim and gave her advice for future reference.

I called 763-645-0056 and a male answered the phone as the Anoka County Sheriff's Office. I asked for Paul Newsome and was put on hold. A different male then greeted me as Paul Newsome with the Anoka County Sheriff's Office. When I identified myself, the male disconnected the call. A short time later, I called the number again to find that it was now out of service.

Andover

Thefts & Damage to Property

01.10 21xx 140 Ln NW – mail stolen from the mailbox

01.13 17xx Bunker Lk Blvd NW – vehicle window smashed; purse, phone

Bethel

Arrests

01.13 1xx Main St NW – Warrant Arrest; deputies responded to the location in an attempt to locate a male with an active warrant. The male was located and arrested.

Columbus

Thefts & Damage to Property

01.15 152xx Zurich St NE – business; unattended phone stolen from a counter

East Bethel

Thefts & Damage to Property

01.15 222xx East Bethel Blvd NE – Fake Warrant scam; no loss

Arrests

01.11 204xx Hwy 65 NE – Warrant Arrest; deputies responded to the location in an attempt to locate a male with an active warrant. The male was located and arrested.

01.12 235xx Gopher Dr NE – Warrant Arrest; deputies responded to the location in an attempt to locate a male with an active warrant. The male was located and arrested.

01.13 225xx 7th St NE – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a report of a husband/wife domestic. The male and female were both arrested.

Ham Lake

Thefts & Damage to Property

01.11 153xx Ghia St NE – license plate stolen off a vehicle

01.13 15xx 134 Ave NE – vandalism to a vehicle; hole drilled in the gas tank

01.13 16xx 166 Ave NE – attempted computer scam; personal information was given out

Arrests

01.11 15000 Block of Hwy 65 NE – 5th Degree Controlled Substance; a deputy stopped a driver for having a cracked windshield. The driver did not have a valid driver's license. During the search of the male narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

01.13 14xx Crosstown Blvd NE – 4th Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. During the search of the vehicle narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

01.14 134xx Hwy 65 NE – Undesirable Guest; deputies responded to the location for a report of a female that would not leave the business. The female was uncooperative and upset. The female was arrested.

Linwood

Thefts & Damage to Property

01.12 69xx 228 Ln NE – attempted theft of two ATV's; ignitions damaged

Arrests

01.16 198xx Viking Blvd NE – Warrant Arrest; deputies responded to the location in an attempt to locate a male with active warrants. The male was located and arrested.

Nowthen

Thefts & Damage to Property

01.16 80xx Viking Blvd NW – counterfeit 20 dollar bill used at the business

Arrests

01.11 81xx Viking Blvd NW – Assault; deputies responded to an assault between two females. One of the females was arrested.

01.16 90xx Viking Blvd NW – Warrant Arrest; deputies responded to the location in an attempt to locate a male with active warrants. The male was located and arrested.

Oak Grove

Arrests

01.10 22nd Ave NW/St Francis Blvd NW – 3rd Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. .16

01.11 21900 Block of St Francis Blvd NW – DWI; deputies responded to a single vehicle personal injury crash at the location. The driver appeared intoxicated and was airlifted to the hospital due to his injuries. Legal blood was taken at the hospital. The male will be charged depending on the results.

Laura Landes & Missi Reeder Crime Prevention Anoka County Sheriff's Office

****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.