



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF BRAD WISE

FRIDAY UPDATE: 08.23.24

Scams

08.16 The victim informed me that she believed that her Facebook account, email, and credit card had been hacked. She said someone had posted a post on her Facebook account saying that her father was moved into a care facility, so she was selling his property. She stated that the post included around 60 items for sale, including a car, golf cart, and other miscellaneous items. She stated that when she tried logging into Facebook, she was notified that a new email was attached to her account. She stated that her email account was also hacked. She stated that her emails were being forwarded to an unknown email address.

08.19 The victim stated that she was applying for unemployment and that she was unable to obtain it due to a hold on her account. The hold on her account came from 2021 when someone tried to claim unemployment insurance under her name fraudulently.

08.20 The son stated his mother has been sending money to people taking advantage of her. The son stated his mother started talking to people online and became friendly. He informed me he is a joint holder of his mom's account and that she withdrew \$20K on 07/24 and another \$20K on 07/30. His mom stated she turned the money into bitcoin and sent it to people who stated they would send her gold in return. She never received any gold and told her son she could do what she wants with her money. The son requested bank statements and determined that his mom had withdrawn approximately \$130K in the last year. I provided the son with the case number and recommended he also report the issue to the FBI.

08.21 The victim received a message about a part time job at Aeroteis to make extra cash. She then received additional messages over What's App from a Nicole Harris. That messaged informed the victim that she needed to send bit coin currency to get started. She sent \$300 over cash app but needed to convert that to bit coin. Once she had sent that money, she was messaged by another person saying she needed to send more money to get the "promotion". She sent another \$1,200 over and received the "promotion". She began to become suspicious and called to report this.

Andover

Thefts & Damage to Property

08.18 35xx 141 Lane NW – theft of a bike out of a yard; tall male, grey hoodie

08.19 37xx Bunker Lake Blvd NW – deputies responded to a male and female in the park, both having mental health issues; they were transported to the hospital

08.19 16xx 148 Lane NW – vandalism; two tires slashed on a vehicle in driveway

08.20 138xx Crosstown Blvd NW – theft of a trailer from the driveway

08.21 35xx 1470 Lane NW – attempted to pry open a locked door on a vehicle in the drive; no entry

08.22 5xx Bunker Lake Blvd NW – window smashed on vehicle; purse stolen

Arrests

08.16 177xx Hanson Blvd NW – Warrant Arrest; a deputy knew a male was at the home and he had multiple warrants. He knocked and a woman answered, she said the male was home. When the deputy stated he had warrants, she backpedaled and said he wasn't there. A deputy saw the male hiding under a table. He was arrested.

08.18 Round Lake/149 Ave NW – Controlled Substance Possession; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding 75/45. When she made contact with the driver she was overwhelmed by the odor of marijuana. The driver stated he did have marijuana and being he was under 21, it is illegal for him to possess. The vehicle was searched and more marijuana was located along with a couple bongs, and a BB in the glove box. He will be charged by citation.

08.22 133 Ave/Hummingbird St NW – No Driver's License; a deputy stopped a driver for blowing a stop sign. The driver did not have any identification. Once he was identified, it was found he had no license. He was arrested.

Bethel

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

Columbus

Thefts & Damage to Property

08.19 55xx 197 Ave NE – enclosed trailer at jobsite pried open; multiple tools

Arrests

08.17 92xx Lake Drive NE – Fleeing in Motor Vehicle; a deputy assisted the State Patrol with a fleeing vehicle. The deputy observed the motorcycle crash and the suspect run. The deputy chased the driver and he was arrested.

08.17 154xx Hornsby St NE – Warrant Arrest; a deputy was running plates and one came back with a felony Department of Corrections warrant on the registered owner. The deputy approached the parked vehicle, and a male was inside. He exited the vehicle at the request of the deputy and was identified and arrested. The vehicle was searched, drugs and paraphernalia were located.

08.17 6500 Block Broadway Ave NE – Drugs; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. When he made contact, there was drugs and paraphernalia in-sight. A K9 was called to sniff the vehicle and more drugs were found. She was arrested.

08.20 Hornsby/lake Dr NE – Warrant Arrest; a deputy stopped a driver because he had a warrant out of Dakota County. He was identified and arrested.

East Bethel

Thefts & Damage to Property

08.20 15xx Viking Blvd NE – electric bike and trailer stolen from the yard

Arrests

08.16 205xx Aberdeen St NE – Warrant Arrest; a deputy observed a male at the business and knew he had a warrant out of Scott County. Deputies approached him and he was arrested.

08.20 13xx Sims Rd NE – Warrant Arrest; a deputy stopped a driver for driving through the construction zone. The driver was identified, and she did not have a driver's license so she was issued the citation. The passenger was identified, and she had a warrant. She was arrested.

08.20 7xx 229 Lane NE – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a physical altercation between an ex-bf/gf. The suspect had fled prior to deputies arriving. After investigating, they decided the boyfriend will be arrested. They put a KOPS alert on him and contacted Isanti PD where the suspect lives.

08.23 183xx Greenbrook Dr NE – Domestic Assault, DWI; deputies responded to a physical altercation between a BF/GF. The boyfriend fled prior to deputies arriving. After investigating, it was decided the BF would be arrested. He was located at a bar in his vehicle with the vehicle running. He appeared impaired. Field sobriety tests were failed. He was arrested. Multiple guns and open alcohol containers were found in the vehicle. .12

Ham Lake

Thefts & Damage to Property

08.16 13xx Andover Blvd NE – a tire from a vehicle parked at the business was stolen

Arrests

08.18 Hwy 65/153 Ave NE – Fleeing in Motor Vehicle; a male was fleeing from Coon Rapids Police and deputies located him in Ham Lake. The driver drove recklessly and the pursuit was canceled for the safety of others. A CSO located the vehicle abandoned in a yard and observed the driver fleeing. Deputies got into the area and flushed him out of the woods. He was arrested and handed over to Coon Rapids. Drugs and a loaded gun were also located in the vehicle.

08.18 Hwy 65/157 Ave NE – Warrant Arrest; a deputy stopped a driver because he knew she had a warrant. Her identity was confirmed, and she was arrested.

Linwood

Thefts & Damage to Property

08.20 82xx 242 Lane NE – window on a truck parked in the driveway was broken; nothing stolen

08.22 72xx Viking Blvd NE – theft of a vehicle from a worksite; thieves disabled the GPS

Nowthen

Arrests

08.20 Viking/Nowthen Blvd NW – DWI 3rd degree; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. When the deputy made contact, he smelled alcohol. The driver said he was coming from a friend's had had a couple beers. Field sobriety tests were failed. He was arrested.

Oak Grove

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

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