



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF JAMES STUART

FRIDAY UPDATE: 04.15.16-04.22.16

Investigator Insight: Here is a scam we have never seen before. It happened in the metro area and I want to pass this on to you – it is unique.

On 4-16-16 a victim received a landline phone call from a male identifying himself as a deputy from the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. The suspect stated that they had recently conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in Minneapolis and that there was a large sum of fake money and identification in the vehicle coming back to the victim's address. The suspect asked if the victim had been to the bank recently, and she stated she had. The suspect then had the victim read off the serial numbers from the cash she had recently withdrawn from the bank. The suspect told the victim that her money was, in fact, fake and that he needed her assistance in conducting an undercover operation to reveal that an employee at the bank was distributing fraudulent cash.

The suspect asked the victim to withdraw \$25,000 from the bank and then meet him at a parking lot across the street from the bank so he could check the money. The victim went to the bank and was only able to withdraw \$10,000 and then she proceeded to the parking lot to meet the suspect. The suspect made contact with the victim and retrieved the money and left the area on foot.

The telephone number that showed up on the victim's caller ID came back to the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. It is believed that the suspect spoofed the number. It is unknown how the suspect found the victim - be aware. This is a very elaborate scheme - but it happened. If anyone in law enforcement asks you to "help them" – it is more than likely a scam. Law Enforcement does not ask citizens to assist in these ways.

Andover

Thefts & Damage to Property

- 04.16 139xx Quinn St NW – vandalism to a vehicle; spray painted
- 04.16 138xx Quinn St NW – vandalism to a mailbox; spray painted
- 04.16 7xx 148 Ln NW – unsecure vehicle; change
- 04.16 138xx Quinn St NW – vandalism to a vehicle and mailbox; keyed, spray painted
- 04.17 14900 Crosstown Blvd NW – scooter stolen from the park
- 04.19 33xx 170 Ln NW – vandalism to a vehicle; tires slashed
- 04.20 39xx 155 Ave NW – vandalism to a yard
- 04.21 154xx Hanson Blvd NW – unsecure locker; shoes stolen
- 04.21 34xx Bunker Lake Blvd NW – vehicle window smashed; wallet

Arrests

04.14 152xx Bluebird St NW – DAR, Passing on the Shoulder, Flee on Foot; a deputy stopped a driver for passing on the shoulder. The driver attempted to elude the deputy and fled on foot. The male was located and arrested.

04.19 157 Ave NW/Crosstown Blvd NW – 4th Degree DWI, DAS, 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance; deputies responded to a male passed out in the driver seat of a vehicle at a stop light. The male appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested.

04.20 30xx 164 Ln NW – OFP Violation Warrant Arrest; deputies responded to the location in an attempt to locate a male with a warrant. The male was located and arrested.

Bethel

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

Columbus

Arrests/Incidents

04.18 67xx 167 Ave NE – House Fire; deputies responded to a house fire at the location. Local fire departments responded and extinguished the fire. No one was injured in the fire.

East Bethel

Thefts & Damage to Property

04.18 8xx 201 Ln NE – unsecure vehicle; tools, pills

04.19 212xx Polk St NE – vandalism to the playground

04.19 186xx Hwy 65 NE – stolen license plates recovered at the location

04.20 46xx 200 Ln NE – vandalism to a vehicle; dents

04.22 1xx Laurel Rd NE – vandalism to a fence; broken

Arrests

04.18 185xx Everglade Dr NW – Felony OFP Violation; deputies responded to a report of an order for protection violation. It was determined that the order was violated. The male was arrested.

04.21 500 Block of Lincoln St NE – DAC-IPS; a deputy stopped a driver for not having a valid driver's license. The male was arrested.

Ham Lake

Thefts & Damage to Property

04.18 159xx Lincoln St NE – unsecure vehicle; table saw, tools

04.18 138xx Johnson St NE – tools stolen from the property

04.22 16xx Flamingo Dr NE – vandalism to a vehicle; tires deflated

Arrests

04.16 30xx Hemlock Ln NE – Disorderly Conduct; deputies responded to a report of a male out of control at the location. The male was arrested.

04.18 Hwy 65 NE/Crosstown Blvd NE – 4th Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for having a brake light out. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. .10

04.19 Hwy 65 NE/Crosstown Blvd NE – 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance; a deputy stopped a driver for having an obstructed license plate. During the search of the vehicle narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

04.20 12xx 133 Ln NE – 5th Degree Domestic; deputies responded to a wife/husband domestic. The male was arrested.

Linwood

Burglaries

04.22 218xx Viking Blvd NE – forced entry through a window; tools

Arrests

04.16 62xx 235 Ln NE – Domestic Assault, 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance; deputies responded to a mother/son domestic. During the search of the male narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

Nowthen

Burglaries

04.22 216xx Jarvis St NW; forced entry through the front door; electronics

Oak Grove

Thefts & Damage to Property

04.19 29xx 199 Ave NW – mail stolen from the mailbox

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.