



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF JAMES STUART

FRIDAY UPDATE: 10.23.15 – 10.30.15

Our office was contacted by Connexus Energy and asked to put this information in our Friday Update. We haven't taken any reports to my knowledge on this scam but Connexus is experiencing these problems and wants to make residents aware:

Utility scams on the rise

In recent months, a growing number of our members reported getting calls from utility scammers. The scam centers on past due bills. The caller, posing as a utility representative, demands immediate payment and threatens immediate disconnection.

Connexus has a process in place before disconnecting any service. There is no "immediate" disconnection. We send letters, leave door hangers, and discuss payment arrangements with members. In addition, we do not disconnect at night or on weekends. If you're asked to wire money, use a money order, a gift card, go through Paypal, or make a payment that is outside our regular payment process, chances are good you're being scammed.

If you're unsure about any call you receive from us, call our member services phone number, 763.323.2650, which is also on your bill. That way you'll know that you're dealing with Connexus Energy. If the call turns out to be a scam, please report it immediately to your local police.

Andover

Thefts & Damage to Property

- 10.26 8xx 141 NW – vandalism to Halloween display
- 10.25 14566 Kerry St NW – unsecure vehicle; sunglasses
- 10.25 1xx 142 Ave NE – unsecure vehicle; GPS
- 10.24 137xx Round Lake Blvd NW – business; counterfeit bill used at the drive through
- 10.24 28xx Bunker Lake Blvd NW – trailer lock cut; tools
- 10.23 154xx Vale St NW – unsecure vehicle; cash
- 10.23 14xx 154 Ln NW – unsecure vehicle; gift cards
- 10.23 33xx 165 Ln NW – license plate stolen from a vehicle

Arrests

10.26 Bunker Lake Blvd NW/Prairie Rd NW – Possession of a Stolen Vehicle; deputies responded to a stalled vehicle at the location. The vehicle came back stolen. The male driver was arrested.

10.24 16900 Block Crosstown Blvd NW – 2nd Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The female was arrested. .227

10.24 134xx Martin St NW – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a girlfriend/boyfriend domestic. The male was arrested.

10.24 133 Ln NW/Round Lake Blvd NW – DAC-IPS, Seatbelt Violation; a deputy stopped a driver for not wearing his seatbelt. The driver did not have a valid driver's license. The male was arrested.

Bethel

Arrests

10.24 1xx Main St NW – Disturbance; deputies responded to a male trying to fight other people at the location. The male would not comply too deputies commands. The male was arrested.

Columbus

Thefts & Damage to Property

10.26 141xx Lake Dr NE – ice fishing equipment stolen from an unsecure trailer

East Bethel

Burglaries

10.24 23xx 229 Ave NE – forced entry through the front door; electronics

Thefts & Damage to Property

10.28 212xx Davenport St NW – vandalism to a vehicle; windshield wipers broken

Arrests

10.24 Hwy 65 NE/Sims Rd NE – 4th 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.

Ham Lake

Burglaries

10.26 133xx Zest St NE – no signs of forced entry; copper wire

10.26 9xx Crosstown Blvd NE – forced entry through the front door; nothing of value was stolen

10.24 160xx Lexington Ave NE – unsecure garage; tools

10.24 159xx Guadalcanal St NE – Halloween lights stolen from the property

10.23 163xx Hwy 65 NE – business; forced entry through a window; keys, vehicle

Thefts & Damage to Property

10.28 171xx Goodhue St NE – vandalism to yard décor; broken

10.28 22xx 141 Ln NE – unsecure vehicle; gym clothes

10.28 169xx Opal St NE – siding stolen from a house under construction

10.27 152xx Hwy 65 NE – work trailer broken into; tools

10.25 165 Ln NE/E Lake Netta Dr NE – vandalism to a stop sign; removed from the ground

Arrests

10.30 Hwy 65 NE/177 Ave NE – 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. .13

10.29 16600 Block of E Lake Netta Dr NE – 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance, Warrant Arrest; a deputy responded to the location to arrest a man with warrants. During the search of the male narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

10.25 Crosstown Blvd NE/Nassau St NE – 2nd Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The female was arrested. .331

10.24 14xx 147 Ave NE – Warrant Arrest, Possession of a Stolen Vehicle, Possession of a Controlled Substance; deputies stopped a vehicle to arrest a male with warrants. During the search of the vehicle narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

Linwood

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

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Arrests

10.29 20600 Block of St Francis Blvd NW – 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance, No Insurance; deputies responded to a single vehicle crash. During the search of the vehicle narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

10.25 86xx 190 Ave NW – 3rd Degree Assault; deputies responded to an assault between two males. One of the males was arrested.

10.25 92xx 203 Ave NW – 5th Degree Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a girlfriend/boyfriend assault. Both the male and female were arrested.

10.24 7000 Block of Viking Blvd NW – DAC-IPS, Speeding; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding. The driver did not have a valid driver's license. The male was arrested.

Oak Grove

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

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****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.