



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF JAMES STUART

FRIDAY UPDATE: 01.31.20

In Columbus this week we had a lot of "found" mail and theft of mail calls. It appears thieves have been out, taking items out of mailboxes - keeping what is of value and then dumping the rest in snowbanks. During tax season we typically see an increase in mail thefts. Please be diligent about picking up your mail. If you are not able to get your mail in a timely fashion, locking mailboxes are becoming more affordable and popular. Also, if you see suspicious vehicles or people going into mailboxes, call 911 right away so deputies can stand a chance of stopping and identifying potential suspects. **Also, check out the burglaries below that are occurring in Columbus.*

Andover

Thefts & Damage to Property

- 01.24 21xx Station Pkwy NW – counterfeit bills used at the business
- 01.27 2xx 139 Lane NW – sub-woofer and amplifier stolen from an unlocked vehicle in the driveway
- 01.27 2115 Andover Blvd NW – graffiti spray painted on a school building
- 01.27 7xx 143 Ave NW – vehicle window broken to steal a gym bag in the vehicle
- 01.27 138xx Round Lake Blvd NW – sunroof smashed on vehicle in the parking lot
- 01.27 137xx Marigold St NW – Fraud; grandparent scam, no financial loss
- 01.28 2115 Andover Blvd NW – cash stolen from a student's coat in the locker room
- 01.28 2115 Andover Blvd NW – cash stolen from a student at a basketball game
- 01.30 172xx Round Lake Blvd NW – Fraud; US Marshall Office warrant scam

Arrests

- 01.24 136xx Hidden Creek Dr NW – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a wife/husband domestic at the location. The male was arrested.

- 01.26 44xx 1749 Ave NW – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a boyfriend/girlfriend assault in progress. The boyfriend was said to have fled prior to the deputies arriving. A K9 was used and he was located in the home and arrested.

- 01.26 14xxx 7 Ave NW – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a husband/wife domestic and the husband had fled in a vehicle. Deputies located the vehicle/husband; he was stopped and arrested.

Bethel

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

Columbus

Burglaries

- 01.26 180xx Rutgers St NE – At 11 pm, the homeowner heard a noise in his garage, went out to investigate, and found male in his garage with his hands full of stolen items. The suspect dropped some of the items and fled when the homeowner startled him.

01.27 180xx Notre Dame St NE – At 6 am the homeowner entered his garage to get in his car and go to work. He found a male in his garage who claimed he was dropped off and looking for a “Marcus.” The suspect then fled the scene.

Thefts & Damage to Property

01.27 81xx 181 Ave NE – resident found a pile of mail dumped on his property; stolen from Lino
01.29 90xx 181 Ave NE – mail and stolen prescriptions found in yard
01.29 166xx Potomac St NE – multiple reports of mail thefts in the area

Arrests

01.25 153xx Zodiac St NE – Domestic; deputies responded to a mother daughter domestic. The daughter was arrested.

01.27 167xx Vassar St NE – 3rd Degree DWI; a caller reported a vehicle “all over the road and driving into oncoming traffic.” A deputy located the driver who appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were given and failed, the man was arrested. .182

East Bethel

Thefts & Damage to Property

01.27 5xx Beaver Dam Dr NE – Fraud; victim was on FB Marketplace to purchase Airstream Trailer
01.29 219xx Durant St NE – damage to multiple garbage cans and mailboxes in the area by vehicle
01.30 185xx Hwy 65 NE – siding stolen out of a construction trailer at the location; unsure if it locked

Arrests

01.24 42xx 217 Ave NE – Warrant Arrest; deputies responded to the location in an attempt to located a male with an active warrant. The male was located and arrested.

01.29 195xx Naples St NE – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a boyfriend/girlfriend domestic. The boyfriend was arrested.

Ham Lake

Thefts & Damage to Property

01.27 9xx 136 Lane NE – wallet stolen from unlocked vehicle in the driveway

Arrests

01.25 39xx 149 Ave NE – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to an assault between roommates. One male was arrested.

01.27 40xx 166 Lane NE – 4th degree DWI; a caller reported a suspicious vehicle parked in front of her house. The deputy located the vehicle and made contact with the driver. The driver appeared intoxicated and admitted to having 1 beer. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. He was arrested. .17

01.28 26xx 158 Ave NE – Order for Protection Violation; deputies responded to an open 911 line. When they arrived, they located a former husband and wife in the same house. The wife had a restraining order against the husband. The husband fled but was later located in Forest Lake and was arrested.

Linwood

Arrests

01.25 69xx Viking Blvd NW – Warrant Arrest; while on a snowmobile patrolling a deputy came across a male ice fishing. The male said he forgot his fishing license and gave the deputy his name. The male was found to have warrants and was arrested.

Nowthen

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

Oak Grove

Arrests

01.25 Evergreen/Sims Rd NW – 4th degree DWI; a caller reported a male slumped over inside a vehicle in a ditch. The deputy arrived and located the male; his keys were in the ignition. The male did not respond so a window was broken to get to him. He appeared intoxicated and advised he had a gun. A warrant for his blood was obtained and he was arrested.

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.