



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE SHERIFF BRAD WISE

FRIDAY UPDATE: 05.25.23

Scams

05.25 Home Repair Scam: The victim wrote a check for \$3,300 to a male to complete remodel work on the bathroom and deck. She called today because she has been unable to get ahold of the male since 05/23/2023. The victim began doing online research of the contractor and found many Yelp reviews of him taking customer's money and never completing the agreed upon work. She has copies of the agreed upon work and pricing for the two projects. I used Vinelink and discovered the contractor was currently in-custody at the Hennepin County jail for one charge of theft and one charge of theft by swindle, with a booking date of 05/23/2023 at 1703 hours. I advised her that he wasn't ignoring her, he was in jail and couldn't answer his phone. Given the nature of his charges, and past reviews on him from Yelp, I advised her that criminal charges could arise from this, just not yet as James has not had a chance to complete the work. She inquired if she could just get her money back and not let him return to the house. I advised her that would be a civil issue that they would have to work out themselves or in civil court.

Andover Burglaries

05.22 18xx Station Parkway NW – business; no forced entry, 82 inch television and amp

Thefts & Damage to Property

05.24 21xx Andover Blvd NW – theft of an unsecured scooter at the high school

Arrests

05.20 153 Ave/Round Lake Blvd NW – DUI; a deputy responded to a call of a vehicle in the ditch. When he arrived he located a male who appeared confused and unable to answer basic questions. An open bottle of Jack Daniels was seen. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed and he was arrested.

05.22 36xx Bunker Lake Blvd NW – Warrant Arrest; a deputy learned a female at the business had a warrant out of WI. He went to the location and she was arrested.

05.23 133xx Poppy St NW – Domestic Assault, DANCO Violation; a caller reported a male at the location whom she has a restraining order against and he was fighting with her father. Deputies arrived and the male was arrested.

Bethel

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

Columbus

Arrests

05.21 152xx Zurich St NE – DWI 3rd degree; a deputy responded to a crash where a female hit a parked car in a parking lot. The deputy arrived and the female appeared impaired and said she had two Hennessey's. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. She was arrested. .16

05.23 152xx Zurich St NE – Disorderly Conduct; deputies were called because there was a male at the location fighting with security. When they arrived, the male refused to identify himself and continued to fight with deputies. He was arrested.

East Bethel

Arrests

05.19 Hwy 54/Viking Blvd NE – Assault; deputies responded to a call of two males fighting on the road, one had a pipe, one had a knife. This was a road rage incident. One of the men were arrested.

Ham Lake

Arrests

05.22 Crosstown/Xylite St NE – DWI 3rd degree; a deputy responded to a call of a vehicle that had gone off the road into a ditch at a creek. When she arrived she located a male exiting a vehicle and appearing impaired. The male stated he had consumed alcohol. He PBT'd .24 and was arrested. He also did not have a driver's license and charges were elevated due to a prior DWI.

Linwood

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

Nowthen

Burglaries

05.23 83xx Viking Blvd NW – business; lock cut off storage unit, misc. household items stolen

05.24 199xx Iguana St NW – business; lock cut off storage unit, tools, welding equipment stolen

Oak Grove

Thefts & Damage to Property

05.21 224xx Holly St NW – patio area and furniture vandalized

05.25 222xx Lake George Blvd NW – a pontoon stolen out of Pine County located at the residence

Arrests

05.25 22600 Block Cedar Dr NW – DWI 2nd degree; while writing a report in a parking lot, the deputy observed a vehicle blow through a stop sign. He stopped the driver. When he approached the vehicle, the driver threw the keys out the window and began to cry. She stated she was coming from a party and had 2 shots, smoked weed and taken some Trazodone. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. She was arrested. A warrant for blood was obtained and she was arrested. Charges were elevated due to two prior DWIs.

**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.