



ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

SHERIFF BRAD WISE

FRIDAY UPDATE: 08.02.24

Scams

07.29 The victim stated that he had been talking to a "Kaj Siab" out of South San Francisco on Facebook who offered him an opportunity for crypto investments. He stated that she asked him to create a Crypto.com account then to transfer the crypto currency to CashApp, then to her Trust Wallet page. He did so totaling \$7000. His account balance shows \$60,000, however, he is not able to withdraw any of this money. At this time, he is not out of any money, the money shows in his account however he is unable to withdraw. He stated that he had to upload his MN ID to Trust wallet, we advised him to keep a watch on his credit report. Deputies then advised him to speak with his bank and Crypto.com to try to figure out a way to get his money back. Deputies also advised him about internet safety and good practices with investing online.

07.29 The victim reported receiving a citation in the mail for a New York State E-ZPass violation on 4/4/2024 at 1439 hours. She said the violation supposedly occurred in her vehicle. She said that neither her or her husband have ever been to New York nor driven this vehicle there. She confirmed both of her license plates are on her vehicle. She called New York E-ZPass and they were not able to confirm the details of the violation with her. They did say they had her name, address, and the vehicle license plate but would not confirm any other information.

07.30 The victim reported that she had gone to the area of 170xx Quincy St NE in Ham Lake at 15:00 hours to purchase a Galaxy S24 Ultra that was listed on Facebook Marketplace. She met with the male, who she described as being teenaged and Egyptian on the street at that location and gave him \$400 cash for the phone. She brought the phone to the T-Mobile store and they told her it was fake. The victim messaged the seller "Adam Ava" on FB. He denied knowing the phone was counterfeit, and then blocked the victim.

07.31 The victim stated she works from home and was contacted by an individual yesterday who stated she had a Microsoft issue on her computer and it was locked. She stated she was familiar with Microsoft and believe this to be true. Once that issue was resolved, the individual told her there was fraudulent activity on her Wells Fargo account ending in 9867. She stated this individual told her they would transfer her to the Wells Fargo Anti Fraud Department and she was quickly connected to a Representative who identified himself as Jack. Jack told her that her Wells Fargo account ending in 9867 was compromised and in order to clear up the issue she needed to transfer her funds to a Bitcoin account. The victim went to a Bitcoin Machine and transferred \$25,000. After the transaction was complete she realized she had been scammed.

Andover

Thefts & Damage to Property

07.26 2xx 141 Ave NW – siding on a home damaged by a pellet gun

07.29 35xx 173 Lane NW – gas siphoned from a vehicle parked in the driveway overnight

07.29 148xx Round Lake Blvd NW – a mailbox was glued shut

07.31 133xx Jay St NW – theft of Amazon package from the front porch

Arrests

07.26 32xx 165 Lane NW – Damage to Property; a deputy responded to a juvenile who had vandalized a garage door and vehicle by throwing rocks at them. She was arrested.

07.27 Hanson/Crosstown Blvd NW – Assault; multiple juveniles were involved in a physical fight at the location. Four individuals went to the hospital. Deputies along with the criminal investigative division is investigating. All suspects were identified, and parents were contacted. The investigation continues.

07.29 139xx Silverod St NW – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a physical fight between juvenile brothers. Both were arrested.

07.31 20xx 141 Ave NW – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a physical fight between brothers involving a knife. When they arrived, they separated the parties. After investigating, one brother was arrested.

08.01 Round Lake/157 Ave NW – Warrant Arrest; a deputy stopped a vehicle for not having taillights. When the driver was identified he had multiple warrants for drugs. He was arrested.

Bethel

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

Columbus

Arrests

07.28 141xx W Freeway Dr NE – Stolen Property; a scooter company called and reported two of their electric scooters were tracking to the area and must be stolen. A deputy observed two males in the area tinkering with the scooters. He approached them and investigated. They had stolen the scooters and were trying to stop the locator on them. The case will be charged via criminal complaint when the investigation is finished.

07.28 154xx Hornsby St NE – DWI 2nd degree; a deputy responded to a vehicle that hit a fence in the drive-thru. When the deputy arrived, the male appeared impaired but did not speak any English. The language line was used. Field sobriety tests were failed. A search warrant for blood was obtained due to language barrier. He was arrested.

07.29 Horsby/Lake Dr NE – No License, Warrant, No Insurance, Drugs; a deputy stopped a driver for erratic driving. The driver did not have any form of identification and lied about who he was. Once it was discovered he was lying, his real identity was learned. He had no license or insurance but did have a warrant out of Hennepin County. He was arrested. Prior to towing the vehicle, it was searched and Meth was found.

East Bethel

Arrests

08.01 9xx 189 Ave NE – Assault; deputies responded to a client assaulting a staff member. The client was arrested.

Ham Lake

Burglaries

07.29 152xx Hwy 65 NE – business; front door shattered, cash register money stolen

Thefts & Damage to Property

07.27 5xx 134 Ave NE – a vehicle was keyed; there was a party happening at the location

Arrests

07.29 33xx Bunker Lake Blvd NE - DWI 4th degree; an Iphone reported a possible severe crash in the area. Deputies arrived and located a heavily damaged vehicle on its side against a tree. The driver was 17 and appeared impaired. When asked if he had been drinking he stated "hell yeah I have been drinking." He also said he had smoked marijuana and his parents are going to "kill" him. It is also believed he was involved in a hit & run in Blaine shortly before this crash. A warrant for blood was obtained. His parents were contacted. He was transported to a hospital and charges will be done through formal charging because the suspect had to go to the hospital.

07.30 40xx Mapleton Dr NE – Warrant Arrest; a deputy learned a male with a warrant was at the location. He conducted surveillance and saw the male. He was arrested.

07.30 Xylite St/154 Lane NE – DWI 3rd degree; a caller reported a vehicle driving erratically. A deputy located the vehicle and witnessed the same driving behavior and stopped it. The driver appeared impaired. When asked if she had been drinking, she stated she had one drink. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. She was arrested. .127 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

Arrests

07.28 224xx St Francis Blvd NW - Damage to City Property; a resident at the property was threatening staff and damaging property on site with a croquet mallet. Deputies arrived and he was arrested.

Oak Grove

Thefts & Damage to Property

07.26 212xx Yellow Pine St NW – a golfer hit a ball at a helicopter causing damage

07.28 45xx 219 Lane NW – an unsecured vehicle was involved in an attempted theft; broke column

Arrests

07.27 27xx 207 Ave NW – Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a physical altercation between a father and his adult daughter. After investigating, the father was arrested.

07.29 185xx Lake George Blvd NW – Warrant Arrest, Drugs; a resident called in a report of two suspicious people at the location. A deputy located the men and they were identified. One had a warrant out of Scott County for drugs. He was arrested. While searching the male before putting him in the squad, cocaine was found.

08.01 182xx Dahlia St NW – Warrant Arrest; a deputy learned a male at the location had a warrant. He went and located the male. He was arrested.

****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.***

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