



# AROUND TOWN

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*The following are selected police related incidents that the Hermantown Police Department has responded to between 01/25/09 and 01/31/09.*

## Disturbances / Domestic / Assaults:

On 01/31/09 at approximately 8:50 p.m., Officer Hansen was dispatched to the report of a disturbance on Old Midway Road between adult siblings. Both the 55-year-old male and the 49-year-old female admitted that an altercation took place. The female stated her brother pinned her on the ground. The male stated that he felt threatened by his sister's behavior and was concerned that she might be using drugs. Charges are pending.

## Traffic:

On the morning of 01/27/09, Sgt. Marsolek spoke with a school bus driver who was reporting that three vehicles passed the bus when its stop arm was out. She was able to get the license plate of one vehicle.

On 01/28/09 at approximately 2:20 p.m., Officer Hansen was dispatched to attempt to locate a Chevy Silverado pickup truck that was all over the road. Officer Hansen located the vehicle at a Haines Road address, but was unable to make contact with the driver.

## Accidents:

Just before 7 a.m. on 01/30/09, Officer Pfeiffer was dispatched to take the report of an accident on Stebner Road. A parked garbage truck was struck by a 16-year-old female driving a passenger car, who stated she had looked down to get something out of her purse. The juvenile female was issued a citation for inattentive driving.

On 01/30/09, just before 4 p.m., Officer Vedder was dispatched to the report of a four car accident in the area of Miller Trunk Highway and Haines Road. Officer Vedder determined that one vehicle lost its brakes and hit a second vehicle, which then hit two more vehicles. The driver of the first vehicle was issued a citation for faulty brakes.

On 01/31/09, Officer Hansen took the report of a hit and run accident that occurred in the Walmart parking lot. The vehicle owner, a 35-year-old female, reported that her Chevy Malibu was parked in the lot between 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. and when she returned to the car, the rear brake light and turn signal were broken. Walmart customer service stated the description of the hitting vehicle was a dark colored Ford F150 with an open box.

## Animal Calls:

Shortly before 10 a.m. on 01/28/09, Officer Hansen spoke to a resident that wished to report that a dog living on Hermantown Road chases him every time he runs. The dog's owner was advised

on Hermantown leash laws and also advised to get a dog license.

On 01/31/09, Officer Hansen took a report of a dog bite near LaVaque Road and Foxborrow Road. A 31-year-old female resident was bitten by a medium sized black and white dog as she collected her mail shortly after 10 p.m. Officer Hansen was unable to locate a similar dog using dog license information.

**Public Assist:**

On 01/30/09, just after midnight, Officer Pfeiffer checked on a vehicle in the ditch on Highway 194 between Miller Trunk Highway and Midway Road. The vehicle had slid into the ditch while turning around and the driver already had a tow truck on the way.

On 01/31/09 at approximately 12:17 a.m., Officer Hansen was dispatched to Anderson Road to check on a vehicle parked in the road. The reporting party stated the vehicle was an accident waiting to happen. Officer Hansen had the owner move the vehicle so it wouldn't be a hazard.

**Theft / Burglary / Shoplifting:**

On 01/25/09, shortly before 3 p.m., Officer Volk was dispatched to Walmart on the report of a juvenile shoplifter. The 15-year-old male admitted stealing an Ipod accessory. He was issued a citation for theft and trespassed from all Walmart property.

On 01/26/09 at 12:16 p.m., Officer Johnson received the report of multiple storage units being broken into. The renter of one unit stated that approximately \$10,000 worth of

items was taken, including hunting and scuba gear.

On 01/27/09 at approximately 11:19 a.m., Officer Johnson was dispatched to Walmart on the report of a shoplifter. Loss Prevention stated they had witnessed the male select several greeting cards and conceal them in his jacket. The 44-year-old male was issued a citation for city ordinance theft.

At approximately 6:16 p.m. on 01/31/09, Officer Hansen was dispatched to the report of a gas driveoff. The employee stated that a 20-year-old white female entered the store and purchased several items, but denied having fuel outside. He was able to give officers a description of the vehicle and the license plate number. Officer Hansen is investigating.

**Miscellaneous:**

Around 5:30 p.m. on 01/30/09, Officer Vedder responded to a residence on the LaVaque Road for a report of burning plastic. At the time of her arrival, there was no smell in the area. The homeowner stated that he just gotten home, but his friend was burning wood earlier. He was advised of burning ordinance.

