



# AROUND TOWN

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**K-9**

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*The following are selected police related incidents that the Hermantown Police Department has responded to between 04/12/09 and 04/18/09.*

**Disturbances / Domestic / Assaults:**

Shortly after 3 a.m. on 4/12/09, Officers observed two vehicles in the lot of Starvin Marvins and approached the occupants. The male and female both advised they were just “meeting in the middle” after work. They were sent on their way.

On 4/15/09 at 3 p.m., Officer Johnson was advised of a noise complaint. The reporting party stated that approximately twelve vehicles parked in the lot of the baseball field at Maple Grove Road and Ugstad Road had the stereos turned way up. Although the music was no longer disturbing upon Officer Johnson’s arrival, the coach for the Hermantown High School ball team that had been working at the field that afternoon was advised and stated he would address it.

On 4/18/09 at 12:58 a.m., Officer Volk observed a vehicle parked at the dead end of Radar Road. The occupants stated they just came from a movie. They were sent on their way.

At 4:23 a.m. on 4/18/09, Officer Volk assisted Proctor police and

Gold Cross Ambulance with an uncooperative male who was reported to be suicidal.

**Traffic Stops:**

On 4/15/09 at 4:23 p.m., Officer Pfeiffer stopped a vehicle near the intersection of Haines Road and Maple Grove Road. The driver was issued a citation for license plate impoundment and no proof of insurance. The vehicle was towed and the occupants received a ride home from a friend.

At 3:58 p.m. on 4/17/09, Sergeant Marsolek assisted the State Patrol on a traffic stop. The registered owner of the involved vehicle was reported to have multiple felony violations.

On 4/18/09 at 10:39 p.m., Officer Volk stopped a vehicle in the 5600 block of Maple Grove Rd. The driver was issued a citation for no proof of insurance, and warned for two brakelights/taillights required, expired driver’s license, no driver’s license in possession, and expired tabs. The driver stated he was out looking for his dog and did not realize his tabs were expired. The vehicle was parked and the driver was given a ride home.

On 4/20/09, Hermantown officers issued four citations for no proof of insurance.

**Accidents:**

On 04/18/09 at approximately 10:49 a.m., Officer Wick was dispatched to the report of an accident at the intersection of Cirrus

Drive and Miller Trunk Highway. A vehicle driven by a 52-year-old female was waiting at the red light when it was rear ended by a second vehicle. The second vehicle was driven by a 64-year-old woman who hit her head during the accident and did not remember what happened.

**Animal Calls:**

On 4/14/09, Sgt. Gunderson spoke with a Reinke Road resident regarding her concerns about wolves living by her property. Sgt. Gunderson advised her that the police department does not have the capability to track and trap wolves, but he would make a matter of record report.

On 4/17/09 at 12:05 p.m., Officer Johnson responded to the 3500 block of Stebner Road on a report of an injured deer. Officer Johnson was unable to locate the deer.

**Public Assist:**

On 4/16/09 at 09:53 a.m., Sergeant Marsolek received a call from a person who was receiving unwanted text messages and attention from a neighbor. The reporting party was advised on options, including changing her phone number and pursuing a court order if the harassment continues.

**Theft / Burglary / Shoplifting:**

On 04/13/09, Officer Boucher took two reports of theft of gym clothes from the boys' locker room. The clothes were taken sometime between 04/03/09 and 04/13/09. School was not in session because of spring break during this time period.

At 6:46 p.m. on 4/16/09, Officer Volk was dispatched on the report of

theft of medication at a group home. Approximately 69 Clonozepam pills were taken from a locked medicine box in a locked medicine closet. It was determined that a 29-year-old male resident of the home had entered the room in the early morning hours of 4/12/09 and pryed the locked box open with a butter knife.

On 4/18/09 at 01:34 a.m., Officer Volk discovered an open door on a storage unit at a local storage facility. The storage unit appeared to be empty, with the exception of wooden pallets. The owner of the storage unit was notified, and Officer Volk inspected the area for anything else suspicious.

**Miscellaneous:**

On 04/14/09, the Hermantown PD speed trailer was set up on northbound Ugstad Road. During this time, 623 vehicles passed the trailer, 511 of which were recorded traveling over the posted 30 mph speed limit. 447 of the speeding vehicle were traveling between 31 and 40 mph, with 64 traveling faster than 40 mph. The fastest recorded speed was 55 mph.

The following day, 04/15/09, the Hermantown PD speed trailer was placed on eastbound Arrowhead Road in a 40 mph zone. 1451 vehicles were recorded passing the speed trailer. 924 vehicles were traveling at speeds of 41-50 mph and 37 vehicles were traveling between 51 mph and the fastest speed recorded of 58 mph.

