



AROUND TOWN

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The following are selected police related incidents that the Hermantown Police Department has responded to between 09/06/09 to 09/12/09.

Disturbances / Domestic / Assaults:

On 9/09/09, police received a report of possible gang-related graffiti on the restroom wall at the AAD Shrine Center. The graffiti was noticed after a rental the previous weekend. Photos were taken. Property damage was minimal.

On 9/11/09 at 10:09 p.m., Officer Hansen was dispatched to a residence on Stebner Road due to a complaint of a loud party and lots of cars parked on the road. The homeowner was advised of the complaint. He stated they were having a church youth gathering at his house, but they would quiet it down. The event was to end at 11:00 p.m.

On 9/12/09 at 1:04 p.m., a male called 911 saying there was an assault in progress at Midway Road and Old Highway 2. The report turned out to be false; it was not an assault, but workers from a group home trying to restrain a client.

On 9/12/09 at 9:31 p.m., Officer Hansen responded to a disturbance call on Red Cedar Street. She spoke to the

homeowner, who explained they were having a neighborhood pig roast and children were a little loud because they were outside playing, but agreed to quiet them down. The reporting party called back again at 10:16, saying the noise had started up again. The officer returned to the scene, but did not hear any noise in the area.

Accidents:

On 9/10/09 at 1:36 p.m., Officer Johnson received a report of a motor vehicle accident. Two vehicles traveling northbound on Lavaque Road had stopped for a red light at Miller Trunk Hwy, both drivers intending to turn onto Miller Trunk Hwy. As the vehicles began to proceed forward, one driver stated she looked down for a moment and struck the rear of the second vehicle. No injuries were reported.

On 9/12/09 at 11:11 a.m., Sgt. Gunderson responded to an accident on Hwy 194. A 23-year-old female traveling westbound had crossed over the centerline, crossing the eastbound lane and entering the ditch, where the vehicle hit a fire number post, went airborne over a driveway and landed before hitting a tree. The driver stated she had been on her cell phone arguing with her boyfriend when she hung up and reached for a pack of cigarettes, and that is when she believed she was distracted and went off the roadway. The driver denied medical attention and was cited for inattentive driving.

Animal Calls:

On 9/09/09, a Maple Grove Road resident called to report his 10-year-old female Chocolate Lab missing. The reporting party was advised of the City Animal Ordinance and informed he should get his dog licensed once found.

On 9/12/09 at 12:09 a.m., police received a call to an address on Benson Road, where a male reported being attacked by a bobcat. Upon arrival, the male stated he was sitting in his garage using a computer when a bobcat entered the garage and attacked him. He stated that he had ducks in the garage and believed the cat was after the birds. The male denied medical attention. The incident was reported to the DNR.

Public Assist:

On 9/06/09, a call was received that an intoxicated male was walking into traffic on Maple Grove Road. The reporting party was concerned the male might get hit. Another resident on Maple Grove Road reported a male in her driveway who said he was lost. The male was a resident of a local group home, and Officer Wick transported him back to his house.

On 9/06/09 at 5:50 p.m., officers received an attempt to locate on a vulnerable adult who had walked away from a group home on Hermantown Road. Staff at the residence notified police at 6:30 p.m. that the 18-year-old male had returned.

Theft / Burglary / Shoplifting:

On 9/06/09, a resident on Arrowhead Road reported vehicle tampering and theft. Two of his vehicles had been

entered the previous night and the glove boxes and center console lids had been left open. A GPS valued at \$250.00 was stolen from one of the vehicles. There is no suspect information at this time.

On 9/07/09, Officer Battaglia received a report of a burglary on St. Louis River Road. The reporting party informed him that a riding lawnmower and trailer were taken from an unlocked garage. Photos were taken at the scene, and the burglary is currently under investigation.

On 9/07/09 at 3:36 p.m., officers were dispatched to Walmart on the report of an 18-year-old male in custody for trespassing. The male had been cited for shoplifting in the past, and was trespassed from the store on 8/01/09. He was recognized by Store Security from the previous incident, and was taken into their custody. The male was cooperative. He was cited for trespassing and released.

Shortly after 5 p.m. on 9/12/09, Officer Hansen responded to Walmart for a juvenile shoplifter. A 17-year-old female was observed by Loss Prevention concealing items in her purse before attempting to leave the store. The girl took hairspray, bobbie pins, razors, foundation, and hair accessories totaling \$52.21. The female was issued a citation and trespassed from Walmart property.

