



AROUND TOWN

A Publication of the Hermantown Police Department

Date: Nov 1, 2009 to Nov 7, 2009

Chief

Michael Anderson

Deputy Chief

Shawn Padden

Sergeants

William Marsolek

Mark Gunderson

Officers

Paul Johnson

Tom Wick (K9)

Kristi Hansen

Jason Salo (LSGDTF)

Kody Vedder (SRO)

Lisa Volk

Griffin Pfeiffer

Jon Esterbrooks

Tim Battaglia

Clerical

Jessica Treviranus

Luanne McMillan

Tara Rotta

K-9

Nero



The following are selected police related incidents that the Hermantown Police Department has responded to between 11/01/09 to 11/07/09.

Disturbances / Domestic / Assaults:

On 11/01/09 at 3:37 p.m., Officer Volk and Sergeant Marsolek received a second-hand report of a 29-year-old male group home resident with self-inflicted cuts to his wrists. The male told officers he cut himself because he is depressed and is having a bad week. The cuts were superficial, and the male voluntarily admitted himself to a local hospital for an evaluation.

On 11/02/09 at 11:32 a.m., Sergeant Marsolek responded on a request for medical assistance. An 18-year-old female called 911 stating she believes she may have alcohol poisoning and was having difficulty breathing. The female stated she had been drinking heavily the previous night, and also consumed four energy drinks that morning. The victim was unsure of her whereabouts and stated she suffers from anxiety and could not calm herself down. Hermantown First Responders and Gold Cross Ambulance were also called to the scene.

On 11/03/09, Hermantown officers assisted the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office in

conducting a search warrant at a residence on Haines Road. A 22-year-old male was lodged at the St. Louis County Jail for 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance and 5th Degree Sale of a Controlled Substance.

On 11/06/09 at 4:42 p.m. Officer Hansen was dispatched to a residence on Morris Thomas Road. 911 Dispatch advised Officer Hansen that they had received a 911 hang-up call from what sounded like a young person asking for someone to get there right away. At that time, the exact location of the caller was unknown. It was determined that a six-year-old had been playing with a broken cell phone. The child's mother was not aware that the phone was still capable of dialing 911. There were no other problems at the residence.

On 11/07/09 at approximately 5:57 p.m., Sergeant Gunderson was advised of a call for medical assistance at an area hotel. A 24-year-old male had overdosed on heroine and was found unresponsive in his hotel room by his girlfriend and another friend. The male was transported to a local hospital, where he admitted to using the drugs that he stated he purchased while in the Cities.

On 11/07/09 at 11:21 p.m., Officer Johnson observed a vehicle parked in the center of the Hermantown High School parking lot. The occupants stated they were just waiting to meet up with another vehicle. All parties were sent on their way.

Traffic Stops:

On 11/06/09 at 7:51 a.m., Officer Vedder issued a warning for speed and exhibition driving to a 17-year-old male driver who was witnessed squealing his vehicle tires in the Hermantown High School student lot. The principal was also advised about the student's driving conduct.

Accidents:

On 11/03/09 at 12:53 p.m., Hermantown police were notified of a two-vehicle accident at Anderson Road and Stebner Road. A 19-year-old female stopped for the stop sign at the intersection, but then continued through the intersection failing to yield to cross traffic, which does not have a stop sign, striking a vehicle driven by a 43-year-old male. The female driver was issued a citation for Failure to Yield.

Animal Calls:

On 11/06/09 at 7:59 p.m., Officer Johnson responded on a complaint of a dog barking for over an hour at a residence on the Morris Thomas Road, and this was occurring more frequently lately. Upon arrival, Officer Johnson heard no dog barking, and called back the reporting party, who stated the barking had just stopped. Officer Johnson advised the party to call back if the dog started barking again.

Public Assist:

On 11/05/09 at 3:31 p.m., Officer Hansen was dispatched to Wal-Mart on a citizen report of two small children left unattended in a vehicle. The reporting party stated he observed the children alone in a gray mini-van when he went inside the building, and they were still there when he came out approximately

twenty-five minutes later. Officer Hansen checked the entire parking lot but did not observe the described vehicle or any other suspicious activity.

Theft / Burglary / Shoplifting:

On 11/02/09 at 9:23 a.m., the Hermantown Police Department received a complaint of stolen property from a residence on Maple Grove Road. The reporting party stated she was missing numerous bags of aluminum cans from her yard, which she collects as an extra source of income. Extra patrol during evening hours was requested.

On 11/02/09 at approximately 11:08 a.m., Sergeant Marsolek responded to a business on Miller Trunk Hwy on a report of a counterfeit \$50 bill. The 33-year-old female who was attempting to use the bill to make a purchase was unaware that it was fake, and did not know where she had obtained it. Sergeant Marsolek collected the counterfeit bill and placed it into evidence at the Hermantown Police Department.

On 11/03/09, Sergeant Marsolek spoke to a party who reported his 1970 Chevy Monte Carlo missing from Morris Thomas Road sometime after 10/31/09. The caller stated the vehicle was not in running condition, and the suspect(s) would have had to use a trailer or tow truck to remove the vehicle from the property. At this time there are no suspects.

