



AROUND TOWN

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The following are selected police related incidents that the Hermantown Police Department has responded to between 11/15/09 to 11/21/09.

Disturbances / Domestic / Assaults:

On 11/18/09, School Resource Officer Kody Vedder was informed that a 17-year-old male student had been suspended pending investigation of remarks he made the previous afternoon that were overheard by a teacher. The teacher and three student witnesses stated that remarks were about blowing up the school. Upon further investigation and after executing a search warrant at the student's home, officers determined that the male did not have any bombs or bomb making materials to follow through with the threats. The male has been charged with felony terroristic threats.

At 2:19 a.m. on 11/20/09, Officer Volk was dispatched to the area of Haines Road and Carlson Road on the report of male screaming in the streets disturbing the neighborhood. Officer Volk located two teenage males in the area and determined that both had been drinking. Both males gave preliminary breath tests with results of .095% blood alcohol content for the 18-year-old and .156% for the 19-year-old. The males were issued citations for

underage consumption and warned for disturbing the neighborhood.

Just before 9 a.m. on 11/21/09, Officer Pfeiffer was dispatched to a domestic assault. A 53-year-old male and his 23-year-old stepdaughter had gotten into an argument after a political discussion. The argument became physical and the male "poked" the female with a crutch he was using. The male was lodged at the St. Louis County Jail for 5th degree domestic assault.

Traffic Stops:

On 11/18/09 at around 9:13 p.m., Officer Vedder was westbound on Maple Grove Road when she observed a vehicle traveling eastbound that had a brake light out. Officer Vedder initiated a traffic stop. A routine records check indicated that the 19-year-old male driver had a suspended license. He was issued a citation for driving after suspension, and for no proof of insurance. The male and his vehicle were released to a valid driver.

On 11/21/09 at 3:30 p.m., an officer observed a vehicle traveling southbound on Stebner Road with no front license plate and an object suspended from the rearview mirror. Upon observing suspicious behavior by the 18-year-old driver and his 20-year-old passenger, the officer asked both males to exit the vehicle. During a pat-down for officer safety and a subsequent search of the vehicle, the officer located marijuana, a pipe, and two scales. These items were

confiscated, both males were issued citations for possession of marijuana in a motor vehicle and possession of drug paraphernalia. \$91 in cash was located in the vehicle and seized for forfeiture.

Accidents:

On 11/17/09 at approximately 8:46 p.m., Officer Battaglia responded to a report of a two-vehicle accident in the parking lot of an assisted living home. A 38-year-old male was turning in the parking lot and struck an unoccupied vehicle belonging to a co-worker. Moderate to severe damage was sustained to the involved vehicles. The driver told the officer he had not scraped his windshield as he was going out to get lunch. City accident notes were completed.

On 11/18/09 at 8:57 a.m., Officer Wick received notification of two vehicles in the ditch in the 4700 block of Swan Lake Road. Icy road conditions contributed to two eastbound vehicles sliding off the roadway. Neither of the drivers, an 18-year-old female and a 44-year-old female, were injured.

Animal Calls:

On 11/18/09 at 5:17 p.m., Officer Battaglia responded to a report of a vehicle that struck a deer in the 5200 block of Miller Trunk Hwy. A 49-year-old female traveling northbound reported a deer ran out in front of her vehicle, causing moderate damage.

Public Assist:

On 11/17/09 at approximately 2:11 a.m., Officer Johnson received a call from the Burnsville Police Department, reporting they had located an 18-year-old female who

had left a group home in Hermantown without permission in October. The female was receiving medical treatment at a hospital in Burnsville, and Officer Johnson provided the contact information for the group home so they could be notified of her status.

Theft / Burglary / Shoplifting:

On 11/17/09 at 3:54 p.m., Officer Battaglia was advised of a theft of an outboard motor that occurred from an address on Getchell Road. The motor was on the back of a boat that was parked by the driveway. The theft occurred sometime between October 24 and November 17 when the motor was discovered missing.

At 6:45 p.m. on 11/17/09, Officer Volk responded to Walmart on the report of two juvenile female shoplifters. Both had stolen a variety of health and beauty items. The 17-year-old had stolen 21 items worth \$103.38 and the 15-year-old had taken 21 items valued at \$53.20. Both girls were issued citations for theft and trespassed from Walmart property.

On 11/21/09 at 5:41 a.m., Officer Volk responded to the area of Green Acres Road and Jennifers Circle. A cab driver was reporting that a male was refusing to pay his cab fare. The 22-year-old male was unable to ask friends in the area for assistance in paying the cab fare and he received a citation for theft.

