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SHERIFF JOHN SPEARS REPORTS THE FOLLOWING ONGOING ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR AND NARRATIVE EXCERPTS FROM THE WEEK ENDING February 25, 2019.

02/20 Kevin Parr, Viroqua, was traveling southbound on County Road O, town of Harmony, when he lost control of his vehicle while negotiating a curve due to snow covered roads. Parr went off the road and struck the top of a concrete culvert. The trailer being pulled by Parr jackknifed, and the truck and trailer came to rest at the bottom of the culvert. Parr did not report any injuries. The vehicle was towed but not due to disabling damage.

02/21 Four cattle were reported loose on West River Road, town of Liberty. The owner was notified.

02/23 Timothy Schmitz, Sparta, was negotiating a turn on Short Cut Road, town of Clinton. Schmitz lost control and entered the other lane striking the oncoming vehicle driven by Quincy Peters, Cashton. Schmitz's vehicle became stuck in the snow in the ditch. Peters reported he had trouble braking due to the slush on the road. Schmitz's vehicle was towed, but Peters' vehicle was not. Neither Schmitz, Peters, nor Peters' passenger, Camielle Johnson, reported any injuries.

02/24 Christopher Kemper, Mauston, was driving southbound on State Highway 27, town of Franklin, and entered an area that had blowing and drifting snow causing whiteout conditions. Stephanie Fish, Viroqua, was traveling northbound on State Highway 27 in the same area. Fish crossed the centerline and struck Kemper's vehicle on the front driver's side. Neither Kemper nor his passenger, Kathryn Pfeiffer, Wisconsin Dells, received injuries. Kemper's vehicle was not towed. Fish did not receive any injuries, but her vehicle was towed due to disabling damage.

02/24 William Felten, Sparta, was traveling northbound on US Highway 14, town of Viroqua. Dennis Melby, Westby, was also traveling northbound on US Highway 14 in front of Felten. Both vehicles entered an area of extremely poor visibility due to the high winds and snow. Felten reportedly did not see Melby's vehicle, and he hit the rear of Melby's vehicle. Neither driver reported injuries. The vehicles were not towed.

02/25 **2** reportable car / deer crashes:

Thomas Henline, Westby, on US Highway 14, town of Hamburg;
Matthew Fencl, Westby, on State Highway 82, town of Union.

This past week

Year to Date

Alarm Responses	10	61
Animal Related Issues	13	110
Assisting Municipalities	28	345
Crimes Against People	13	92
Crimes Against Property	10	76
Domestic Crimes	2	23
Fire Responses	9	110
K-9 Calls	1	13
Medical Responses	43	284
Mental Health Cases	2	25
Missing Person Investigations	3	33
Public Talks	0	0
Safety Escorts	1	40
School Walk Through	10	73
Search and Rescues	1	1
Security Check	112	844
Serving Legal Documents	26	156
Suspicious Activity Investigations	12	105
Threat Investigations	1	9
Traffic Accidents	44	262
Traffic Related Investigations	94	794
Vehicle Lockouts	9	79
Weapons Investigation	0	4
Unclassified Calls for Assistance	55	447
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TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	561	4325

IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION ON AN ABOVE CRIME, OR ANY CRIME, CALL CRIME STOPPERS AT 637-8477 OR 1-800-657-6868.

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John B. Spears, Sheriff