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SHERIFF JOHN SPEARS REPORTS THE FOLLOWING ONGOING ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR AND NARRATIVE EXCERPTS FROM THE WEEK ENDING June 10, 2019.

06/06 Lucas Gravatt, Viroqua, was operating a motorcycle northbound on County Road J, in the town of Franklin. Gravatt rounded a corner in the roadway, hit gravel, and overcorrected. Gravatt crossed the other lane. The motorcycle fell on its side, and slid into the grass. Gravatt reported no apparent injuries. He was wearing a full face helmet. The motorcycle was towed due to disabling damage.

06/06 Jeremy Simonson, Viroqua, was operating a Peterbilt eastbound on Old Line Road, town of Coon. Simonson was stopped at the intersection of Old Town Road / Volden Road. Benjamin Schmidt, Chaseburg, was operating a motorcycle westbound on Old Line Road. As Simonson began to turn left onto Volden Road, Schmidt struck the front corner of the Peterbilt. Schmidt was cited for Operating a Motor Vehicle without Insurance. Schmidt was wearing a full face helmet. No injuries were reported by either party. The motorcycle received minor damage, and was towed from the scene.

06/10 **7** reportable car / deer crashes:

Rodney Larson, Westby, on County Road Y, town of Viroqua;
George Pursley, Lancaster, OH, on US Highway 14, town of Christiana;
Kristopher Ness, Viola, on State Highway 56, village of Viola;
Pamela Hermanson, Onalaska, on State Highway 35, town of Genoa;
Julie Jozefowicz, De Soto, on State Highway 35, town of Genoa;
James Boyke, Jamestown, ND, on US Highway 14, town of Viroqua;
Keely Strand, Viroqua, on State Highway 27, town of Franklin.

Sheriff Spears warns residents to be mindful of the Publishers Clearing House scam, and many more. The Publishers Clearing House scam starts with a call or letter saying you've won the Publishers Clearing House Sweepstakes. But, to collect your prize, you need to send money to pay for fees and taxes by Western Union, a MoneyGram, or gift cards. The scammers recommend payment in this form because it's nearly impossible to trace the money, which you will never get back. Typically, if you've won a legitimate sweepstakes, Publishers Clearing House will come to your home. If anyone calls asking you to pay for a prize, hang up, and report it to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

Sheriff Spears reminds you to not give personal information or send money to anyone you do not know. The Federal Trade Commission website includes good information about scams and tips on how to avoid being a victim of a scam.

*****	This past week	Year to Date
Alarm Responses	12	176
Animal Related Issues	39	508
Assisting Municipalities	43	938
Crimes Against People	22	305
Crimes Against Property	14	256
Domestic Crimes	1	46
Fire Responses	35	866
K-9 Calls	0	35
Medical Responses	33	790
Mental Health Cases	4	76
Missing Person Investigations	2	108
Public Talks	0	5
Safety Escorts	9	143
School Walk Through	11	237
Search and Rescues	0	4
Security Check	55	2124
Serving Legal Documents	25	482
Suspicious Activity Investigations	17	349
Threat Investigations	4	37
Traffic Accidents	23	569
Traffic Related Investigations	107	2356
Vehicle Lockouts	13	204
Weapons Investigation	0	7
Unclassified Calls for Assistance	65	1397

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE

598

14158

ADMISSIONS INTO COUNTY JAIL

25

482

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