DARIEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

RELEASE DATE: **April 1, 2026**

March 26

Theft

At 2:13am, a vehicle was observed parked near the AMVETS donation bins in the parking lot of Walmart, 2189 75th Street. The driver was putting items that were left by the donation bins into her vehicle. Jeri Stadnicki, 70, of the 7900 block of Oakview Lane, Woodridge was issued a local ordinance citation for obtains or exerts control over the property of another without the owner's permission. Stadnicki was issued a notice to appear for May 14, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.

March 27

Driving While License Suspended

An officer conducted a random registration inquiry which came back as expired and suspended. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, Cynthia Oliveros, 30, of the 2800 block of Harper Terrace, Peoria was transported to the Darien Police Department and issued citations for driving while license suspended, driving with suspended registration and operating an uninsured motor vehicle. Oliveros was released and given a court date of April 16, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.



Fugitive From Justice

An officer responding to a solicitor complaint asked the subjects to provide a permit to solicit in Darien, which they did not have. One of the solicitors had an active out of state warrant out of Collin County, Texas for theft. David Harfield, 54, of the 6200 block of Oak Meadows Boulevard, Firestone, Colorado was transported to the Darien Police Department. Harfield was then transported to the DuPage County Jail.



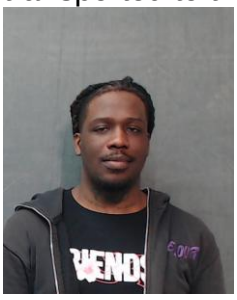
March 28

No reports to release.

March 29

Domestic Battery

At 12:50 a.m.an officer responded to a domestic battery at the 7400 block of Brookdale Drive. When checking the offender's name it was determined he was wanted on three active failure to appear warrants. One out of McLean County, one from Tazewell County and the last out of Kane County. Leonard Hambrick, 26, of the 100 block of Hickory Trace Drive, Justice was transported to the Darien Police Department and charged with two counts of domestic battery and 2 counts of peace bond violations. Hambrick was transported to the DuPage County Jail.



Driving While License Suspended

At 11:18 p.m. a vehicle was observed traveling at a high rate of speed. A traffic stop was initiated and an inquiry showed that the driver was suspended and had three active warrants out of DeKalb County for disorderly conduct and reckless conduct, one warrant out of Warren County for failure to appear and one warrant out of McDonough Court for violation of court order. Mekhi Nathan Gadlen-Woods, 20, of the 6900 block of Greenview Avenue, Chicago was transported to the Darien Police Department and was issued citations for driving while license suspended, unlawful possession of cannabis by driver and speeding. Gadlen-Woods was issued a court date of April 30, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center and then transported to the DuPage County Jail.



March 30

No reports to release.

March 31

Theft

At 1:30 p.m. a person came to the Darien Police Department and reported that while at the Sportsplex, 451 Plainfield Road, someone had taken his Bauer Vaporlite valued at $279.