



DARIEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

RELEASE DATE: January 4, 2024

December 28

No reports to release.

December 29

Damage to Property

At 5:52 p.m. an officer was dispatched to the 6900 block of Brookbank for a property damage report. The complainant stated that sometime between 12/28/23 at 8:00 p.m. and 12/29/23 at 8:00 a.m. he noticed that the lid to his mailbox was hanging off and the post was loose. The approximate loss is \$50.00.

Retail Theft

At 7:48 p.m. an officer was dispatched to Walmart, 2189 75th St. for a retail theft. The offender was observed by a loss prevention officer ringing up items that were all under \$1.00 due to all the price tags being changed, then left the store without paying. Nancy Budil, 56, of 5117 W. 139th Place, Crestwood was cited for retail theft. The approximate loss is \$104.63. Budil was issued a court date of February 15, 2024.

December 30

Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol

At 1:08 a.m. an officer observed a vehicle traveling 61 mph in a 45 mph zone and conducted a traffic stop at 75th and Lemont. The driver, Arnell Combs Jr, 30, of 11921 S. Millard Ave, Alsip, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, speeding, expired registration and no insurance. Combs was given a court date of January 16, 2024 at DuPage County Judicial Center.



December 31

Warrant Service

At 11:19 a.m. an officer observed a vehicle with an expired registration driving in the 1700 block of Plainfield Road. The officer conducted a traffic stop on Manning Road at Queens Court. The driver, Jose Dolores Hernandez, 25, of 35 Montrose Drive was arrested for a Will County warrant for Failure to Appear on a Possession of Controlled Substance charge and was issued a citation for no valid registration. Hernandez was transported to DuPage County Jail.

January 1, 2024

Theft of Services and Warrant Service

At 5:50 a.m. an officer observed a vehicle parked on Adams just north of Plainfield Road. When officer approached the vehicle, the passenger exited the vehicle. While speaking to the officer, the driver of the vehicle stated he was an UBER driver and the passenger refused to pay. While an officer was investigating the theft report the officer learned that the offender had a valid warrant for DUI out of Cook County. Brian Kharot, 25, of 7724 Lester Lane, Darien, was arrested for theft of services and the warrant and one count of Peace Bond Violation and was transported by Darien Police to the DuPage County Jail.



January 2

Warrant Service

At 1:52 a.m. an officer in the area of the 8400 block of Cass Avenue observed a vehicle speeding. Radar confirmed a speed of 55 mph in a 40 mph zone. The officer initiated a traffic stop at Cass Ave and 75th Street and arrested Kelis Kirkland, 18, of 1365 N. Hudson Avenue, Chicago, for a warrant out of Elgin. Kirkland was transported to the Darien Police Department until transported by Elgin Police.

Driving Under the Influence

At 6:29 p.m. an officer was dispatched to an accident at the intersection of 87th Street and Lemont Road. One of the driver's, Maria Nurgent, 64, of 7800 Westview Lane, Woodridge, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident, improper lane usage and operate uninsured motor vehicle. Nurgent was given a court date of February 06, 2024 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.

January 3

Retail Theft

At 2:57 p.m. an officer was dispatched to Walmart, 2189 75th Street for a retail theft. Complainant stated offender was observed under scanning items. Charles Rohlfing, 24, of 7245 Woodward Avenue, Woodridge, was cited for Retail Theft. Rohlfing was given a court date of January 29, 2024 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.

Aggravated Battery

At 3:40 p.m. an officers were dispatched to the 1700 block of Gigi for an ambulance assist. Two officers were struck while trying to assist. Mary Cavanaugh, 60, of the 1700 block of Gigi, Darien, was arrested for Aggravated Battery. Cavanaugh was issued a court date of February 6, 2024 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.