DARIEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

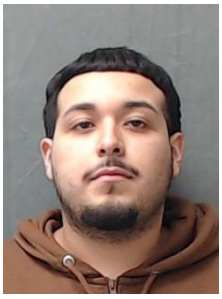
RELEASE DATE: **March 26, 2026**

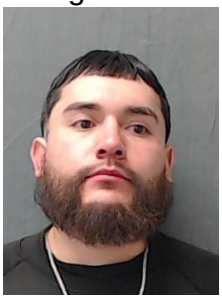
March 19

Driving While License Suspended

At 2:36 a.m. an officer in the area of 97th and Lemont Road observed a vehicle with dark tinted windows and traveling at a high rate of speed. The radar indicated a speed of 30 miles per hour over the speed limit. A traffic stop was made in the 8900 block of Oxford Lane. The driver, Hector Albarran, 20, of the 400 block of Yorkshire Square, Bolingbrook was transported to the Darien Police Department and was charged with driving while license suspended, uninsured motor vehicle and speeding. Albarran was given a court date of April 23, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.

The passenger had active warrants for driving on a revoked license out of Will County, and a failure to appear warrant out of Cook County. Victor Vergara, of the 400 block of Devonshire Court, Bolingbrook was transported to the Darien Police Department and put on a warrant hold. Vergara was transported to the DuPage County Judicial.



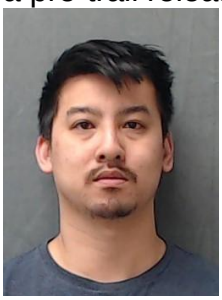


March 19

Criminal Damage to Property

At 12:46 p.m. an officer was dispatched to 2189 75th Street, Walmart for a criminal damage to property report. Upon arrival, the officer met with the victim who stated that when she parked her car, she was approached by a male stating that she had just hit is car. After a short argument with the man, he told her to leave. The victim went into the store and when she came back out, she noticed fresh scratches across the entire driver's side of her vehicle. The offender was no longer on scene. Video footage captured the incident. The registration was issued to Uy Tu, 34, of the 900 block of Bertha Avenue, Akron Ohio, who was located and arrested. He was transported to the Darien Police

Department and charged with one count of criminal damage to property. Tu was issued a pre-trail release for April 21, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.



Humane Care for Animals

At 9:00 p.m. an officer was dispatched to the 7900 block of Adams Street in reference to a barking dog complaint. Upon arrival, the officer was met by the complainant who stated that dogs at a residence in the 7900 block have been barking for several hours. While at the dog owner's residence, the officer observed two dogs tethered together and entangled around a bush. The dogs appeared distressed. The homeowners were not home so the dogs were removed and secured on leashes and then transported to the Burr Ridge Veterinary Clinic, 8120 Cass Avenue. At 1130 p.m. the police were contacted by the dog's owner attempting to report his dogs stolen. Huanyo Zhao, 30, of the 7900 block of Adams Street was issued one misdemeanor complaint for violation of owner's duties. Zhao was issued a pre-trial release with a court date of April 21, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.

March 20

No reports to release.

March 21

Criminal Damage to Property

At 6:16 p.m. an officer was dispatched to the 700 block of 67th Street for a criminal damage to property. Upon arrival, the complainant advised that someone between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. egged the rear of her residence which impacted exterior walls, deck, roof and storm door.

Criminal Trespass to Property

At 9:10 p.m. officers were dispatched to 2189 75th Street, Walmart in reference to a subject trespassing. An employee had observed a male in the store who had been previously advised not to return to the property in the store. Officers were advised the subject was last seen walking near Home Depot. The officer located the subject, Glenn Williams, 30, of the 7400 block of Winwood Way, Downers Grove was issued a notice to appear for criminal trespass. Williams was assigned a court date of April 16, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.

March 22

Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol

At 7:06 p.m. an officer responded to 75th Street and Exner Road for a crash. Upon arrival, the officer observed the driver standing outside the vehicle. The driver stated that he and another vehicle were driving at a high rate of speed. The other vehicle was in the same lane so he swerved, crossing oncoming traffic and struck the traffic signal. The officer noticed there was a strong odor of alcohol and slurred speech. The driver, Michael Szymczak, 62, of the 7100 block of Blackburn Avenue, Downers Grove was transported to the Darien Police Department and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and failure to reduce speed. Szymczak was given a court date of April 28, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.



Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol

At 3:40 a.m. an officer in the area of 8100 block of Cass Avenue observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed. A traffic stop was initiated and the officer explained that it was for speeding. The officer detected a strong smell of alcohol from the driver and observed a plastic cup with alcohol in it. The driver, Juan Cortes-Sanchez, 22, of the 1100 block of Cedar Road, New Lenox was transported to the Darien Police Department and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, illegal transportation or possession of alcohol and speeding. Cortes-Sanchez was issued a mandatory court appearance for April 21, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.



March 23

No reports to release.

March 24

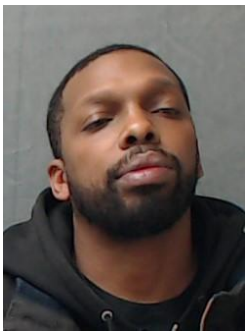
Criminal Damage to Property

At 4:00 p.m. officer were dispatched to the Darien Community Park, 7100 Clarendon Hills Road, in reference to a juvenile problem. The officers were advised that the complainant found graffiti and racial slurs written on the slides and saw 4-5 juveniles flee.

March 25

Driving While License Revoked / Warrant Service

At 12:08 a.m. an officer in the 1500 block of Plainfield Road observed a vehicle with no illuminated taillights. A traffic stop was initiated at Plainfield Road and Fairmount Road. A check revealed the driver's driving privileges were revoked and also had a valid Will County warrant. Joshua Molden, 37, of the 500 block of Preston Drive, Bolingbrook was transported to the Darien Police Department and cited for driving while license revoked, operating an uninsured vehicle and issued a warning for improper lighting. Molden was issued a pre-trial release for the Will County warrant and assigned a court date of March 31, 2026 at the Will County Courthouse. He was also assigned a court date of April 16, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.



Theft

At 10:30 p.m. an officer in the parking lot of Walmart, 2189 75th Street observed a vehicle parked near the donation bins for AMVETS. The subject took a cardboard box and placed it in the rear passenger seat of the vehicle. Alexandra Davila Abreu, 44, of the 300 block of Ottawa Street, Joliet, was issued a local ordinance violation for theft. Davila Abreu was issued a notice to appear for April 9, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.