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CRIME REPORT

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NOTEWORTHY INCIDENTS:

OFFENSE: Criminal Damage to Vehicle
DATE/TIME: 12/13/2023 6:30 a.m. – 10:06 a.m.
LOCATION: 1000 Block of East Grant Drive
REPORT #: 23-30136

The victim's Toyota sedan was parked on the roadway in the 1000 Block of East Grant Drive when the Unknown Offender(s) smashed the rear driver's side window. The window was smashed by an unknown object, and it did not appear that entry was made to the vehicle as nothing was missing or disturbed.

OFFENSE: Retail Theft
DATE/TIME: 12/13/2023 11:42 a.m.
LOCATION: 800 Block of S. Elmhurst Road
REPORT #: 23-30151

The Unknown Offender entered a store in the 800 Block of S. Elmhurst Road and walked to the liquor department where he proceeded to take a case of beer from the fridge and walk out of the store without paying. Surveillance of the incident showed a Hispanic male subject entering the store and then stealing the above listed item. Once outside of the store, the offender fled and is described as medium build with blue jeans and a vest.

OFFENSE: Criminal Damage to Property
DATE/TIME: 12/12/2023 9:45 p.m. – 12/13/2023 12:45 p.m.
LOCATION: 2100 Block of E. Laura Lane
REPORT #: 23-30156

The victim's Lincoln Continental was parked on the roadway in the 2100 Block of E. Laura Lane between the above time frame when the Unknown Offender broke the rear driver's side window. Additional damage was also located on the front driver's window, but it was not broken. There did not appear to be anything disturbed or removed so it is not believed the offender made entry.

OFFENSE: Burglary
DATE/TIME: 10/01/2023 – 12/12/2023
LOCATION: 1200 Block of Joseph Schwab Road
REPORT #: 23-30163



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During the above time frame, the Unknown Offender gained access to a garage in the 1200 Block of Joseph Schwab Road and removed multiple tools from the property. There were no signs of forced entry, and it is believed that the offender entered the garage during times that work was being done on the property and the garage was open.

OFFENSE: Hit and Run Accident
DATE/TIME: 12/13/2023 9:25 p.m.
LOCATION: 1000 Block of E. Oakton Street
REPORT #: 23-30186

The victim's vehicle was parked in a lot in the 1000 Block of E. Oakton Street unattended while the victim went inside the store. When the victim returned, they noted damage to the passenger side rear bumper and door. The Unknown Offender, driving in the lot, struck the victim's vehicle and then fled the area without leaving information.

OFFENSE: Theft
DATE/TIME: 12/13/2023 9:15 p.m. – 11:02 p.m.
LOCATION: 700 Block of W. Golf Road
REPORT #: 23-30193

The victim was inside the business in the 700 Block of W. Golf Road where he locked his belongings in a designated locker within the building. During the above time frame, the Unknown Offender(s) removed the lock and stole his wallet containing miscellaneous credit cards and his Illinois Driver's License.

Due to the recent increase in crime happening at the YMCA building located at 300 E. Northwest Highway, the following are reported incidents at that location:

There were no incidents at this location during the above time frame.

ARRESTS:

OFFENSE: Disorderly Conduct / Obstructing a Peace Officer
DATE/TIME: 12/13/2023 9:26 p.m.
LOCATION: 3000 Block of S. Des Plaines River Road
REPORT#: 23-30185
SUBJECT NAME: Villagomez, Jose
DATE OF BIRTH: 02/18/1979
ADDRESS: 4310 W. School St. Chicago, IL 60641

Des Plaines Police responded to a disturbance at the Rivers Casino located in the 3000 Block of S. Des Plaines River Road where the subject, Jose Villagomez, was threatening an employee inside the property. When the officers arrived, they spoke with the victim who stated that he is a card dealer and Villagomez was at his table. Villagomez was calling him names and then stated that he would wait for the victim outside until he got out of work. The victim believed that Villagomez was going to harm him at that time and alerted security to the incident. The officers approached Villagomez and requested his information, which he refused to do. After multiple refusals, Villagomez was taken



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into custody and transported to the Des Plaines Police station. Villagomez' driver's license was located in a pant pocket prior to being transported and he was identified at that time. Villagomez was subsequently arrested for one misdemeanor count each of Disorderly Conduct and Obstructing a Peace Officer. Villagomez was cited and released with his court information.

OFFENSE: Warrant
DATE/TIME: 12/14/2023 12:32 a.m.
LOCATION: 100 Block of S. Des Plaines River Road
REPORT#: 23-30202
SUBJECT NAME: Bobka, Erik
DATE OF BIRTH: 04/23/1986
ADDRESS: 9355 Bay Colony Dr. Des Plaines, IL 60016

Des Plaines Police responded to a call for service in the 100 Block of S. Des Plaines River Road to check the well-being of a subject wearing a grey hooded sweatshirt in the middle of the roadway. When the officers arrived, they located the subject matching that description and requested his information. The subject provided his information, Erik Bobka, to the officers who then ran him through the database. Des Plaines Dispatch alerted the officers that Bobka has one warrant through the McHenry County Sheriff's Police Department and one warrant through the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department. After confirming the warrants were valid and extraditable, Bobka was taken into custody and transported to the Des Plaines Police station where he was subsequently arrested for the two Warrants. Bobka was later brought to a Cook County Courthouse for a detention hearing.

OFFENSE: Unlawful Possession of Title or Registration Documents / Driving While Driver's License is Suspended / Traffic
DATE/TIME: 12/15/2023 3:02 a.m.
LOCATION: 2100 Block of E. Touhy Avenue
REPORT#: 23-30256
SUBJECT NAME: Petrassi, John
DATE OF BIRTH: 08/05/1976
ADDRESS: 14108 W. 81st Dr. Dyer, IN 46311

Des Plaines Police were on patrol on Touhy Avenue when the officer observed a white Dodge Durango traveling westbound. The officer ran the Illinois state registration affixed to the rear of the vehicle and noted that the information was returned on a black Volvo. The officer activated his overhead emergency lights and curbed the vehicle in the 2100 Block of E. Touhy Avenue and approached the driver's side. The officer requested the subject's information at which time he provided a first name of Fiore and a birthday of May 8, 1976. The officer ran it through the database and pulled up the driver's license image for the subject when he discovered that the information the subject had provided was not his. The officer then approached the subject and confronted him with his discovery when the subject then identified himself as John Petrassi and stated he does not have a valid license. Upon running the proper information, the officer was alerted that Petrassi does not have a valid license, said license was suspended by the Illinois Secretary of State. After being asked to step out of the vehicle, Petrassi complied and



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also was unable to provide any registration or paperwork for the Dodge Durango he was driving. Petrassi admitted that he did not know the vehicle the license plate belonged to but did know that it did not belong to the Dodge Durango when he purchased the vehicle. Petrassi was taken into custody, transported to the Des Plaines Police station, and subsequently arrested for one misdemeanor count each of Unlawful Possession of Title or Registration Documents and Driving While Driver's License is Suspended; ticketed for the Operation of an Uninsured Motor Vehicle. Petrassi was cited and released with his court information.