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# CRIME REPORT

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### NOTEWORTHY INCIDENTS:

**OFFENSE:** Burglary to Motor Vehicle  
**DATE/TIME:** 07/25/2024 11:00 p.m. – 07/26/2024 6:05 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** 500 Block of N. Fourth Avenue  
**REPORT #:** 24-17362

The victim's Toyota Corolla was parked overnight in the 500 Block of N. Fourth Avenue when the Unknown Offender(s) entered the vehicle and stole approximately \$15.00 USC. The interior of the vehicle appeared to have been rummaged through and it is unknown how the offender(s) gained entry.

**OFFENSE:** Burglary to Motor Vehicle  
**DATE/TIME:** 07/26/2024 3:00 a.m. – 7:19 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** 500 Block of N. Fourth Avenue  
**REPORT #:** 24-17365

The victim's Acura RDX was parked in the 500 Block of N. Fourth Avenue during the above time frame when the Unknown(s) entered the vehicle and took approximately \$60.00 USC. The victim noticed the vehicle's passenger door was left ajar and the center console area was rummaged through.

**OFFENSE:** Criminal Damage to Vehicle  
**DATE/TIME:** 07/27/2024 12:07 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** 2600 Block of Eisenhower Drive  
**REPORT #:** 24-17461

The victim's Nissan Sentra was parked in the 2600 Block of Eisenhower Drive during the above time frame when the Unknown Offender(s) smashed the window. The front passenger window appeared to have been shattered by unknown means and it is not believed that the offender(s) made entry.



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**OFFENSE:** Residential Burglary  
**DATE/TIME:** 07/25/2024 12:30 p.m. – 07/28/2024 5:30 p.m.  
**LOCATION:** 2100 Block of Craig Drive  
**REPORT #:** 24-17563

The Unknown Offender(s) entered the victim's garage and removed two utility boxes containing miscellaneous tools. It is unknown how the offender(s) entered the garage area just that the burglary occurred during the above time range.

**OFFENSE:** Retail Theft  
**DATE/TIME:** 07/28/2024 9:00 p.m.  
**LOCATION:** 1800 Block of E. Oakton Street  
**REPORT #:** 24-17572

The Unknown Offender entered a retail store in the 1800 Block of E. Oakton Street where he placed two liquor bottles in a shopping basket and approached the register. Once there, the male offender asked for two boxes of cigarettes which he proceeded to grab off the counter and along with the alcohol, flee the store without paying for the items. The offender was described as a black male last seen wearing a white t shirt and dark shorts entering a red SUV.

**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:** Issuance of a Warrant  
**DATE/TIME:** 07/26/2024 11:41 p.m.  
**LOCATION:** 1500 Block of Ellinwood Street  
**REPORT#:** 24-17435  
**SUBJECT NAME:** Kero, Eric  
**DATE OF BIRTH:** 12/14/1978  
**ADDRESS:** Last Known Address: 1140 W. Bridge St. Wausau, WI 54401

Des Plaines Police responded to a disturbance in the 1500 Block of Ellinwood Street where they located the above subject, Eric Kero, inside a building. The officers ran Kero's information through the database and were alerted that he had a warrant through the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department. Des Plaines Dispatch confirmed with CCSPD that the warrants were valid and active when Kero was advised of the violation and taken into custody. Kero was then transported to the Des Plaines Police station where he was subsequently arrested for one count of the Issuance of a Warrant. Kero was later transported to a Cook County courthouse for a detention hearing.



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**OFFENSE:** Obstructing Identification / Driving on a Suspended Driver's License / Issuance of a Warrant / Traffic  
**DATE/TIME:** 07/27/2024 2:05 p.m.  
**LOCATION:** 1600 Block of Maple Street  
**REPORT#:** 24-17471 / 24-17472  
**SUBJECT NAME:** Zavala Cuello, Jesus  
**DATE OF BIRTH:** 12/21/1990  
**ADDRESS:** 110 N 25<sup>th</sup> Ave. Melrose Park, IL 60160

Des Plaines Police responded to the 1600 Block of Maple Street for a suspicious incident where the complainant advised a red Jepp Wrangler was parked in the area and the driver had made a threat towards him. The complainant related that driver was a thin Hispanic male with a long black beard. Once on scene, the officer spoke with the complainant and while doing so, they observed the red Jeep Wrangler east on Riverview Drive where the complainant identified that as the vehicle in question. The officer entered his patrol vehicle and followed the Jeep through the neighborhood and then activated his overhead emergency lights in the 1600 Block of Maple Street. Upon approach of the vehicle, the officer spoke with the driver, later identified as the above Jesus Zavala Cuello, and requested his driver's license and proof of insurance. Zavala Cuello stated he does not have his driver's license on his person and provided an expired insurance card. Zavala Cuello stated that his name was "Jesus Savala" and provided a birthdate of December 22, 1992. That information was run through the database and no record was found with that name and birthdate. Zavala Cuello then provided his name but another birthdate which was also not found in the database. Eventually, officers were able to locate Zavala Cuello's information and noted that he did not have a valid driver's license, said license was suspended by the Illinois Secretary of State and that he had a warrant through the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department. Des Plaines Dispatch confirmed with CCSPD that the warrant was valid and active when Zavala Cuello was notified of the violations and asked to step out of the vehicle, to which he complied. Zavala Cuello was taken into custody and transported to the Des Plaines Police station where he was subsequently arrested for one misdemeanor count each of Obstructing Identification and Driving on a Suspended Driver's License; one count of the Issuance of a Warrant; ticketed for Illegal Transportation or Possession of Alcohol by a Driver and the Operation of an Uninsured Motor Vehicle. Zavala Cuello was later brought to a Cook County courthouse for a detention hearing.

**OFFENSE:** Issuance of a Warrant x2  
**DATE/TIME:** 07/28/2024 12:53 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** 900 Block of E. Oakton Street  
**REPORT#:** 24-17517  
**SUBJECT NAME:** Zepeda-Chavez, Alonso  
**DATE OF BIRTH:** 01/28/1984  
**ADDRESS:** 815 E. Oakton St. Des Plaines, IL 60018



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Des Plaines Police responded to the 900 Block of E. Oakton Street for the report of an intoxicated subject not wanted on the property. The caller advised that there was an intoxicated male, later identified as Alonso Zepeda-Chavez, on his property that he would like to be given a warning that he is no longer allowed on the property. The officers approached Zepeda-Chavez and obtained his information which was then run through the database. Des Plaines Dispatch alerted the officers that Zepeda-Chavez had two warrants in his name, one through the Rosemont Police Department and one through the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department. Both warrants were confirmed with the corresponding jurisdictions and Zepeda-Chavez was taken into custody. After being transported to the Des Plaines Police station where he was subsequently arrested for two counts of the Issuance of a Warrant. Zepeda-Chavez was later brought to a Cook County courthouse for a detention hearing.

*Please remember that although a person may be charged with a crime, a charge is merely an Accusation, and the person is innocent until proven guilty.*