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CRIME REPORT

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NOTEWORTHY INCIDENTS:

OFFENSE: Theft
DATE/TIME: 04/09/2025 11:55 a.m. – 12:04 p.m.
LOCATION: 0 – 100 Block of W. Golf Road
REPORT #: 25-01820

The Unknown Offender entered the Walgreen's located in the 0 – 100 Block of W. Golf Road and stole paint cartridges. The witness stated that a black female wearing black pants came into the store carrying a black handbag. As the female was standing near the printer paint cartridges, the witness observed multiple cartridges in the black handbag that were partially hanging out of it. The female was later confronted about the cartridges at which time she fled the store without paying for the items.

OFFENSE: Harassment Through Electronic Communication
DATE/TIME: 04/04/2025 – 04/10/2025
LOCATION: 300 Block of Rand Road
REPORT #: 25-01844

The victim, a 57-year-old female Des Plaines resident, was contacted on multiple occasions between the above time frame via text messages that were threatening in nature. The text messages came from different unregistered phone numbers each time and stated that she was being watched.

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.



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ARRESTS:

OFFENSE: Issuance of a Warrant
DATE/TIME: 04/09/2025 11:33 a.m.
LOCATION: 600 Block of Meadow Court
REPORT#: 25-01823
SUBJECT NAME: Knoeckl, Joseph
DATE OF BIRTH: 10/21/1985
ADDRESS: 642 Meadow Ct. Des Plaines, IL 60016

Des Plaines Police received information that the above subject, Joseph Knoeckl, had a warrant for him out of the Lake County Sheriff's Police Department. DPPD officers went to the registered address and contacted Knoeckl advising him of the violation. Knoeckl's information was obtained, and he was run through the database to confirm the warrant and then Cook County Dispatch advised they had received communication stating the warrant was extraditable. Knoeckl was taken into custody and transported to the Des Plaines Police station where he was subsequently arrested for one count of the Issuance of a Warrant. Knoeckl was later transported to a Cook County courthouse for a detention hearing.

OFFENSE: Domestic Battery
DATE/TIME: 04/09/2025 1:06 p.m.
LOCATION: 1200 Block of Perry Street
REPORT#: 25-01824
SUBJECT NAME: Zamora, Carlos
DATE OF BIRTH: 11/11/1979
ADDRESS: 1258 Perry St. Des Plaines, IL 60016

Des Plaines Police responded to the 1200 Block of Perry Street for the report of a disturbance. Once on scene, the officers observed the victim, a 53-year-old male Des Plaines resident, and the subject, Carlos Zamora, in the backyard. Zamora appeared intoxicated and agitated and was taken into custody due to his threatening actions towards the victim. The officers then spoke with the victim who stated that he and Zamora are family members and during an argument, Zamora spit in his face twice. The victim provided a video of the incident which was consistent with his statements. Zamora was taken into custody and transported to the Des Plaines Police station where he was subsequently arrested for one misdemeanor count of Domestic Battery. He was later brought to a Cook County courthouse for a detention hearing.



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OFFENSE: Domestic Battery
DATE/TIME: 04/09/2025 7:19 p.m.
LOCATION: 1400 Block of E. Miner Street
REPORT#: 25-01635
SUBJECT NAME: Castillo, Kaydy
DATE OF BIRTH: 07/02/1992
ADDRESS: 603 S. Des Plaines River Rd. Des Plaines, IL 60016

Des Plaines Police received a notification from the Department of Child and Family Services indicating there was a report of a battery that occurred involving the above subject, Kaydy Castillo. The officer contacted DCFS to learn that it was reported to them that Castillo battered a family member. After conducting the investigation, it was determined to be a valid complainant. Castillo was contacted and asked to come into the Des Plaines Police station, to which she complied and when she did, was taken into custody. Castillo was subsequently arrested for one misdemeanor count of Domestic Battery. She was later taken to a Cook County courthouse for a detention hearing.

OFFENSE: False Report to a Peace Officer
DATE/TIME: 04/09/2025 9:25 p.m.
LOCATION: 3000 Block of S. Des Plaines River Road
REPORT#: 25-01817
SUBJECT NAME: Garcia, Wilfrido
DATE OF BIRTH: 07/16/1978
ADDRESS: 7558 W. Palatine Ave. Chicago, IL 60631

On April 9, 2025, at approximately 9:32 a.m. Des Plaines Police responded to the Rivers Casino located in the 3000 Block of S. Des Plaines River Road for the report of a disturbance. Cook County Dispatch informed the responding officer that the subject, Wilfrido Garcia, was reporting that he had been robbed at gunpoint the previous day and came back to the casino to report the incident. When the officer arrived on scene, he spoke with Garcia who stated that he had been playing the slot machines inside the casino when he started asking patrons next to him to borrow money to continue gambling. In return, Garcia offered to "Zelle" the patron's extra money than what he would be borrowing. After initially agreeing, the patrons recanted. Garcia stated one of the patrons pulled out a handgun and pressed it to his back while the other stole his cellphone. Garcia was forced to log into his "Zelle" account where the patron then conducted three transactions totaling \$2,000.00, returned his phone, and then left the area. The patrons were described as male subjects with thin builds and long sleeve shirts. Garcia advised that due to fear of retaliation, he delayed reporting this incident. The officer advised Garcia that there were several security cameras inside the casino and that when the footage was available, they would review it.

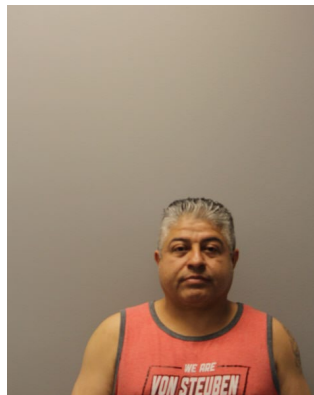
At approximately 6:32 p.m. DPPD received a call for a disturbance at the casino and when they arrived, were met with Garcia and another party who were arguing. Garcia stated that the male subject he was arguing with was one of the subjects who had robbed

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him. Garcia and the other subject were escorted to the security area of the casino for follow up. While there, the officer watched video footage found by the casino of the alleged robbery. During the video, Garcia is seen speaking with the two male patrons listed above. During conversation, Garcia is seen accessing his own phone without force and there was no weapon displayed. One of the male patrons leaves the area and accesses an ATM, walks back to the group and hands Garcia USC. The three of them were seen laughing before Garcia leaves the area. A second interaction was located with the three men where again they were seen laughing and there was no exchange of money nor a firearm present. Casino security then advised the officer that Garcia had walked out of the security room multiple times and was urinating outside. The officer walked Garcia back to the security room and confronted him about the allegation of the robbery at which time he stated that he was done with the officers and wanted to leave. At that time, Garcia was issued a City Ordinance violation for Disorderly Conduct and released on scene. While speaking with the other male party he advised that Garcia approached him and his friend asking if they could give him \$200.00 in cash and in return he would "Zelle" them \$300.00. The males agreed to the exchange and did not rob Garcia in any way.

At approximately 9:03 p.m., Garcia returned to the casino a third time still claiming he had been robbed at gun point. When the officers arrived, they verified that there was no new information or security footage to substantiate his claim and therefore was taken into custody. Garcia was transported to the Des Plaines Police station where he was given his Miranda Rights to which he waived and agreed to speak with the officers about the incident. Garcia was confronted with the evidence that all interactions with the two males he claimed to have robbed were reviewed and on no occasion was a firearm seen or any other evidence that someone other than him accessed a payment application on his cellphone. Garcia then insisted that it had happened during a third interaction that he had not yet advised he had. Garcia continued to change pertinent details about the events that happened like specific times and stated it was hard for him to remember details.

It was determined at that time that the claim of being robbed was false and due to the nature of the incident, the Cook County State's Attorney's Office was contacted to review the case. The CC ASA found a reason to approve a felony charge. Garcia was subsequently arrested for one felony count of False Report to a Peace Officer. He was cited and released with his court information.



(Photo in reference to above subject, Wilfrido Garcia)



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