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CRIME REPORT

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NOTEWORTHY INCIDENTS:

OFFENSE: Theft
DATE/TIME: 03/10/2025 5:00PM
LOCATION: 3000 block of South River Road
REPORT #: 25-02660

The victim reported a theft which occurred on 03/10/2025. The victim reported that she was walking through Rivers Casino when she dropped a \$500 poker chip. It was allegedly/presumably picked up by and unknown person. The victim reported it to security at the time but delayed reporting it to DPPD because she was allegedly working with Rivers Security

OFFENSE: Hit and Run
DATE/TIME: 05/22/2025 9:00PM
LOCATION: Maple Street / Oakton Street
REPORT #: 25-02667

The victim reported that a white sedan, unknown make, model, license plate, driven by a male/black crossed the center lane of traffic and struck his vehicle near the rear driver's side door. The incident occurred South of the intersection of Maple Street and Oakton Street. The vehicle then fled the scene N/B on Maple Street.

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:



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OFFENSE: Battery
DATE/TIME: 05/23/2025 12:03 AM
LOCATION: 3000 block of Mannheim Road
REPORT#: 25-02669
SUBJECT NAME: Neish, James
DATE OF BIRTH: 11/27/1975
ADDRESS: 72 N Acacia Grove, New Malden, London, United Kingdom

Officers responded to the Holiday Inn on the 3000 Block of Mannheim Road to assist with an unwanted subject. Upon arrival, officers spoke with the victim who related that an unknown male subject later identified as James Neish was sleeping in the lobby and refusing to leave. The victim related that the subject did not have a room at the hotel. The victim stated that when she asked Neish to leave, he started pushing her. She then pepper sprayed him and contacted 911 stating that he left the scene after that. The victim related she wanted to sign a complaint.

Officers located a subject matching the description walking inside a nearby gas station. Officers spoke with the subject and observed he had pepper spray all over his face. He was identified as James Neish and was uncooperative with responding officers. He was then taken into custody for battery. He was transported to the station where he was charged with Battery and released on bond.

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*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.*