



DARIEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

RELEASE DATE: September 24

September 17

No reports to release.

September 18

Domestic Battery

At 12:53 p.m. officer responded to the 2200 block of Hamilton Avenue for a fight in progress. Officers spoke with the parties involved and Jessica Vortanz, 23, of the 0-100 block of Tower Road, Oak Brook Terrace was transported to the Darien Police Department for processing. Vortanz was charged with two counts of domestic battery and transported to the DuPage County Jail.



Warrant Arrest

At 4:33 p.m. an officer arrested Mathew Straus, 25, of the 1900 block of Gigi Lane on a warrant. He was transported to the Darien Police Department for processing. Straus was then transported to the DuPage County Sheriff's Office.



September 19

Warrant

At 4:46 p.m. officers responded to the 2300 block of Sokol Court in reference an unrelated call. While on the scene officers determined Christopher Cizmar, 46, of the 15000 Thornwood Lane, Homer Glen was wanted on a failure to appear warrant for driving under the influence. The warrant was out of Will County. He transported to the DuPage County Sheriff's Office.



September 20

No reports to release.

September 21

Hit and Run

At 8:56 a.m. an officer was dispatched to the 8200 block of Chapman Court regarding a hit and run accident. Alexis Penaloza-Vega, of the 200 block of Lockwood Avenue, Chicago was issued citations for driving while license suspended, driving too fast for conditions and failing to give information to owner after striking property. Alexis also had an active theft warrant out of Naperville. Alexis was issued a court date of October 19, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center and released.

September 22

Retail Theft

At 8:38 p.m. officers were dispatched to Walmart, 2189 75th Street in reference to a retail theft. An employee advised there was a subject in the store cutting tags of clothing and placing in a shopping cart. The subject, Bridget Gaucin, 27, of the 50 block of 60th Street, Westmont was transported to the Darien Police Department. Gaucin was given a court date of October 22, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center. The loss was set at \$596.

