



DARIEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

RELEASE DATE: November 13, 2025

November 6

No reports to release.

November 7

Retail Theft

At 2:45 p.m. officers were dispatched to Walmart, 2189 75th Street in reference to a retail theft. The complainant stated that the offenders were concealing food items and left the store without paying and provided the vehicle information. An officer responding to Walmart observed the vehicle and initiated a traffic stop. Gia Johnson, 21, of the 7400 block of Winwood Way, Downers Grove and a juvenile from Downers Grove were issued citations for retail theft. Both Johnson and the juvenile were given a court date of December 18, 2025 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.

November 8

Fleeing and Eluding

At 4:14 a.m. an officer on patrol on 75th Street near Cass Avenue observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed. A traffic stop was initiated but the vehicle accelerated rapidly on Route 83 and entering onto I-55. Another agency located the vehicle and made a traffic stop. The subjects were transported to the Darien Police Department. Frank Stove, 33, of the 10300 block of Prairie, Chicago, was charged with fleeing a police officer, driving while license suspended, operating an uninsured motor vehicle, speeding and operating vehicle with foreign plates. Stove was issued a pre-trial release with a court date of December 11, 2025 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.



November 8

Retail Theft

At 4:16 p.m. officers were dispatched to Walmart, 2189 75th Street in reference to a retail theft. Loss prevention observed a subject loading a box with merchandise and head towards the exit. Loss prevention attempted to stop the subject as he tried to leave to store, however, the offender got into a vehicle and fled the scene at a high rate of speed. An officer observed the vehicle and attempted a traffic stop but the offender fled. Another agency located the offender and James Roberts, 32, of the 10 block of Olympus Drive, Naperville was charged with retail theft, criminal trespass to property, fleeing or attempting to elude an officer, reckless driving and no valid registration. Roberts was issued a pre-trial release with a court date of December 8, 2025 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.

Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol

At 11:31 p.m. officers were dispatched to 87th Street and Lemont Road in reference to an accident. One vehicle left the scene of the accident, but was captured on camera. The driver, Brian Schneider, 55, of the 300 block of Sheldon Ave, Downers Grove was transported to the Darien Police Department and was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, leaving the scene of a property damage accident and failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident. Schneider was issued a court date of December 9, 2025 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.



November 9

Retail Theft

At 8:26 p.m. officers were dispatched to Walmart, 2189 75th Street in reference to a retail theft. A loss prevention associate stated that two people left the store without paying for items and left the area. Total value of loss \$46.30.

November 10

No reports to release.

November 11

Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol

At 7:16 p.m. officers were dispatched to 8700 Lemont Road in reference to a property damage accident. Both vehicles relocated to the Darien-Woodridge Fire Department. One of the drivers, Arden Tower, 22, of the 200 block of Spring Avenue, LaGrange, was charged with two counts of driving under the influence of alcohol, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident and illegal transportation of open alcohol. Tower was issued a personal recognizance bond and assigned a court date of December 9, 2025 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.

