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Warrant Sweep

On March 12, 2024, the DeKalb Police Department conducted a city-wide warrant sweep, which led to numerous fugitives of justice being located and apprehended. One of the most significant arrests is related to an Aggravated Battery with a Firearm which occurred on February 5, 2024, near Lord Stanley's Bar. The offender (Christian Rios) fired a firearm, striking the victim, and fled the scene on foot. The DeKalb Police Department located and arrested Rios at a DeKalb residence and recovered one (1) illegal firearm. Rios is being held at the DeKalb County Jail. There were two (2) additional offenders (Anthony Lara and Christian Contreras) both arrested and charged with Aggravated Battery and Mob Action. Lara is currently released on bond and Contreras is being held at the Illinois Department of Corrections.

Offender: Christian Rios M/W/24 YOA DeKalb, Illinois

Charges:

1. Aggravated Battery with a Firearm-Felony
2. Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm (Two Counts)-Felony
3. Possession of a Firearm by a Street Gang Member-Felony
4. Aggravated Battery-Felony
5. Unlawful Use of a Weapon by a Felon-Felony
6. Mob Action-Felony
7. Possession of a Firearm with No FOID-Misdemeanor
8. Possession of Firearm Ammunition with No FOID-Misdemeanor

Offender: Anthony Lara M/W/23 YOA DeKalb, Illinois

Charges:

1. Aggravated Battery-Felony
2. Mob Action-Felony

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Offender: Christian Contreras M/W/ 27 YOA DeKalb, Illinois **(On work release through the Illinois Department of Corrections at the time of the offense.)**

Charges:

1. Aggravated Battery-Felony
2. Mob Action-Felony

*Attached is a list of arrestees from the March 12th warrant sweep.

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****All persons are presumed innocent in a court of law until proven guilty****

If you witnessed this incident or have any information that can help with this investigation, please contact the DeKalb Police Department.

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Warrant Sweep

March 12th, 2024



DEKALB POLICE WARRANT SWEEP MARCH 2024

On March 12th, 2024, members of the DeKalb Police Department conducted a city-wide warrant sweep with the goal of apprehending a multitude of fugitives wanted on a range of original and Failure to Appear Warrants. Personnel utilized surveillance efforts, undercover operations, consent searches, and other techniques resulting in numerous arrests. These attempts also prompted individuals to later surrender to authorities. One residential search warrant was executed reference a DeKalb Police pending shooting investigation resulting in an illegal firearm recovery. Additionally, multiple new charges were filed, and one vehicle was seized pending Drug Asset Forfeiture proceedings. This operation would not have been successful without the combined efforts of DeKalb Police Officers, DeKalb Police Telecommunicators, DCSO Telecommunicators, DCSO Deputies, and members of the DeKalb County State's Attorney's Office. The following individuals were subsequently arrested:



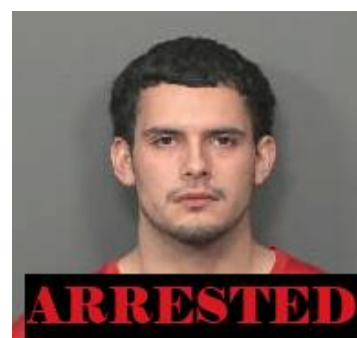
Skylar Morningstar
FTA – Obstructing & Domestic Battery



Gene Gunn
Obstructing Justice



Amy Davidson
UPC Intent, UPC, Man. Cannabis Plants



Christian Rios
Agg. Battery w/ a Firearm



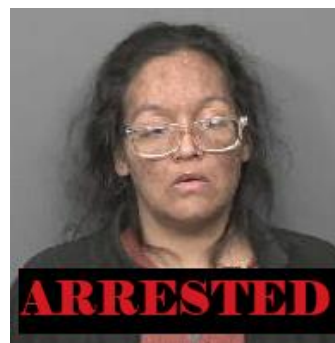
Jermaine Johnson
FTA – Traffic/ Resist, UPCS, Agg. Resist



Daniel Nash
Leaving the Scene



Dionte Crawford
Burglary



Monica Estrada
FTA – Drug Equipment



Jaquar Correa
Retail Theft, Agg. Resist



Sherman Lee
UPCS Intent/ UPCS



Zyquan Terry
UPC Intent/ UPC



Christopher Williams
DWLS



Nathan Cottam
FTA – Poss. Nitrous Oxide



Michael Johnson
UDCS/UPCS