

DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT

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DeKalb Police Investigate Several Violent Crimes and Recover 3 Guns

- On July 2, 2021, at approximately 8:36pm., officers in area of the 900 block of Hillcrest Drive heard several gunshots. Officers immediately responded and gave chase to two suspects running from the scene. One of the armed suspects discarded a loaded gun which was recovered by the officers. The suspects were not apprehended. Investigators learned that the victim was walking on the sidewalk when a masked male chased him and fired a gun at him several times. The victim was unharmed. Investigators have been following up on several leads.
- On July 3, 2021, at approximately 6:00am., officers responded to the 800 block of Ridge Drive in reference to a report of gun shots. Upon arrival, officers located several spent shell casings. Investigators interviewed witnesses and learned that the shooting occurred during a physical altercation between two groups when the offender pulled out a gun and shot into the air. Investigators identified the shooter as a 16-year-old male juvenile from DeKalb. The juvenile offender was located, arrested, charged, and brought to the Kane County Juvenile Detention.

CHARGES:

16-year-old male from DeKalb, charged Reckless Discharge of a Firearm and Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon.

- On July 4, 2021, at approximately 11:53pm., officers responded to the 1100 block of W. Lincoln Hwy. in reference to a report of gun shots. Upon arrival, officers located several spent shell casings in the parking lot. Officers learned that the offender pulled out a gun and shot several times into the air. The offender was identified as Christopher Lewis. Lewis was located and arrested. Investigators applied for a search warrant to search the offender's residence. A subsequent search of the offender's residence was then conducted. Investigators located and seized a handgun believed to be used during this shooting. The offender, Christopher Lewis, was arrested, charged, and transported to the DeKalb County Jail.

CHARGES:

Christopher S. Lewis, 37 years old, from DeKalb Illinois was charged with Reckless Discharge of a Firearm and Possession of a Firearm without a FOID card.

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- On July 6, 2021, officers responded to the 900 block of Ridge Drive to investigate a report of a criminal sexual assault. The victim reported that the offender entered her residence without permission and sexually assaulted her. Friends of the victim came to her aid as she screamed for help. The offender fled the scene and was subsequently located by officers nearby. The offender, Henry Kizer, was arrested, charged, and transported to the DeKalb County Jail.

CHARGES:

Henry J. Kizer, 35 years old, from Dekalb Illinois was charged with Home Invasion and Criminal Sexual Assault.

- On July 7, 2021, at approximately 11:45pm., officers responded to the 900 block of Hillcrest Drive in reference to a stabbing. Officers met with the victim inside his apartment. The victim sustained multiple stab wounds to his person and was transported to the hospital. A female witness/suspect was on scene when police arrived. She was uncooperative and provided a false name to the officers investigating the stabbing. The female was later identified, and officers learned that she was the girlfriend of the victim. Officers obtained a search warrant to search the apartment where the stabbing occurred. Investigators located and seized the knife used in the stabbing and a handgun. Investigators learned that the stabbing occurred during an altercation between the victim and his girlfriend. The victim did not sustain life threatening injuries. The offender, Deuna Thomas, was arrested, charged, and transported to the DeKalb County Jail.

CHARGES:

Deuna A. Thomas, 24 years old from DeKalb Illinois was charged with Aggravated Domestic Battery, Domestic Battery, and Obstructing Identification.