



# January 2021



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## Neighborhood Watch Letter Police Reports by Geographical Area:

### North Area (north of Lake Street)

Luis R. Chagoya-Ibarra of Addison was charged on a warrant. Chagoya-Ibarra had a warrant out of the Addison Police Department for unlawful possession of methamphetamine.

Alejandro Diaz was charged with domestic battery. Diaz battered another individual.

### East Area (east of Addison Road)

Pablo J. Hernandez-Funez of Addison was charged with domestic battery and theft. Hernandez-Funez took the victim's cell phone from her hand and refused to return it to her and battered her.

Rocco M. Dargento of Elmhurst was charged with battery, assault and disorderly conduct. At the Speedway gas station, Dargento bumped the victim with his shoulder twice and took a fighting stance with his hands up, yelling and swearing at the victim in an attempt to provoke the victim.

Eric Garcia of Addison was charged with aggravated resisting a peace officer, attempt disarming a peace officer, possession of a controlled substance, aggravated assault, domestic battery and endangering the life and health of a child

Maria C. San Roman of Addison was charged with driving under the influence. Officers responded to a call of a private property traffic accident. San Roman was found to be driving under the influence, but no vehicle damage or building damage was located.

### West Area (west of Lombard Road)

Tausha L. White was charged with criminal trespass. Officers responded to Hampton Inn Suites where White had returned to the property after having been previously told that such entry was forbidden.

### Central Area

Donnie Whitfield of Chicago was charged on a warrant. Officer responded to the Cook County Jail to transport and process Whitfield for a warrant out of the Addison Police Department for theft, battery and criminal trespass to real property.

Viro N. Vitulli of Roselle was charged on a warrant. Vitulli turned himself in on a warrant out of the Addison Police Department for aggravated driving under the influence.

Miguel R. Gomez of Des Plaines was charged with criminal damage to property. Gomez threw a glass cup at the victim's vehicle, damaging the window.

Tyshawn Hobson of Itasca was charged with driving under the influence, battery, assault and improper stopping in roadway. Officers responded to a vehicle stopped in the left turn lane, blocking the intersection, with the driver slumped over the steering wheel. Hobson was found to be driving under the influence. He was additionally charged with battery and assault after swatting an officer's hand, being verbally abusive and stepping up on an officer in an aggressive manner while pointing his finger in the officer's face.

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*The Addison Police Crime Prevention Section has a variety of programs to educate residents and business owners in preventing crime in the community. Contact the Crime Prevention Section to request information about a specific program. If you have a **COMPLAINT, CONCERN OR COMPLIMENT** about a member of the Addison Police Department, contact a supervisor at the Police Department.*



## **Winter Driving Safety Tips**

### **Make sure your car is ready for winter and the weather it brings.**

- Adjust your speed. If the weather's anything but clear and 50 degrees, drive a little slower than normal.
- Increase stopping distance. When driving on slick roads, you need at least three times more distance to stop. Always make sure you have enough space between you and the car in front.
- Give yourself extra time. Trips can take longer during winter weather than other times of the year, so give yourself some extra time to get to your destination.
- Watch out for hazardous sections of roadways. Bridges, overpasses and shaded spots often form ice before other parts of the road.
- Bring your cell phone with you. Keep your phone nearby in case you get in an accident. Do not talk or text while driving.
- Keep your windshield and windows clear. Make sure there is a snow brush or scraper in your car at all times.
- Don't cruise. Using cruise control when driving on a slippery, snowy surface can make it hard to react in time.
- Check your tire tread and pressure. Good tire tread and properly inflated tires are essential to staying in control on slippery roads. Rotate your tires on a regular basis. Keep the correct tire pressure in your tires. Visit your local tire store for assistance.
- Fill up on gas. A fuller gas tank prevents the gas line of your car from freezing. Don't slam on your brakes. In winter weather, sudden braking often leads to skids.

## **The Upcoming Month of February is**

### **National Child Passenger Safety Awareness**

Here are the guidelines:

#### **Newborn to 12 months**

- Children under age 1 and weighing less than 20 pounds should always ride in a rear-facing infant seat or a convertible seat used rear-facing.
- The child's head must be at least 1 inch below the top of the safety seat when rear-facing.
- Use the harness straps/slots at or below shoulder level when rear-facing.
- Harness straps must be snug on the child; the harness clip should be at armpit level.

#### **Ages 1 to 4**

- Children should remain in a rear-facing safety seat until age 2 or until they are at the upper height or weight limit of the seat.
- When a child outgrows a rear-facing safety seat, he or she may transition to a forward-facing seat with a harness system.
- Harness straps must be snug on the child; the harness clip should be at armpit level.
- The top of the child's ears should not be above the top of the car seat when forward-facing.

#### **Ages 4 to 8**

- Children should be secured in a forward-facing safety seat with an internal harness system until they reach the upper height or weight limit allowed by the car seat manufacturer.
- When a child outgrows the forward-facing seat, he or she may transition to a belt-positioning booster seat.
- Booster seats must be used with the vehicle's lap and shoulder belt, never just a lap belt.
- The lap belt should lie low across the upper thighs, not the stomach.
- The shoulder belt should rest snugly across the shoulder and chest, not across the neck or face.