

Press Release

March 9, 2018

Traffic Stop Leads to Arrest of Woman Wanted for First Degree Murder

On Friday, March 9th, at approximately 3:00 am a DeKalb police officer on patrol, was traveling southbound on North Annie Glidden Road. At that time, he observed a vehicle leave the parking lot of the Fasmart gas station, located at 125 N. Annie Glidden Road. The vehicle entered the roadway and headed south without any headlights or taillights on. The officer subsequently initiated a traffic stop, however the driver kept driving southbound with no immediate response. The vehicle eventually slowed and pulled to the center of the roadway in traffic, in the 500 block of South Annie Glidden Road and stopped. The officer approached the driver, Mary McGehee, and two passengers. The driver acknowledged that she had been driving without her lights on. The officer also detected an odor of alcohol coming from the driver's breath, when questioned about her alcohol consumption she denied drinking any alcohol.

A computer inquiry revealed that the driver did not possess a valid Illinois driver's license. It was also determined that there was an active warrant for her arrest out of Chicago, for First Degree Murder, issued on February 26th, 2018. Mary McGehee was taken into custody without incident. Other officers on scene located small amounts of cannabis in the vehicle, indicative of consumption. The cannabis which was secured for evidence. The Chicago Police Department confirmed the arrest warrant and McGehee was subsequently transported to the DeKalb County Sheriff's Jail, being held on the No Bond Murder warrant. She was also issued traffic citations for No Valid Driver's License and Driving without Lights when Required.

Police Chief Gene Lowery stated, "The observations made by the officer and his follow-up actions led to the arrest of a violent offender, who is alleged to have taken the life of another person. This routine traffic stop, like the countless other stops initiated every day, resulted in bringing Mary McGehee to justice."

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