

DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT

Robert Redel, Acting Chief of Police



PRESS RELEASE



For Immediate Release

Media Contact – Bob Redel

Issued: September 10, 2020

To Provide Info Call 815-748-8400

To Report a Crime/Request Emergency Police Response Call 9-1-1

DeKalb Police Recover Guns and Arrest Two Offenders in Shootings that Occurred Overnight

- On September 21, 2020 at approximately 10:42pm., officers responded to a report of a shooting in the 1000 block of Hillcrest Drive. Officers were advised that the suspect was sitting in a black GMC vehicle in the Burritoville parking lot. Officers observed a person sitting in a black GMC vehicle and when the individual exited the car, a holstered gun was observed on the suspect. The gun was removed from the offender and officers located and recovered a spent shell casing at the scene. Officers learned that the suspect, Juan Franco, was arguing with his significant other when he removed the gun from his holster and shot the gun into the air. The offender, Juan Franco, was arrested, charged, and transported to the DeKalb County Jail. There was no report of injuries to persons nor damage to property.

CHARGES:

Juan Franco, 27 years old, from Sycamore Illinois was charged Reckless Discharge of a Firearm and Violation of a Firearm Concealed Carry Act.

- On September 22, 2020 at approximately 4:35 am., officers responded to 919 Ridge Drive in reference to a report of gun shots. Upon arrival, officers located bullet fragments and broken glass at the scene. Video evidence was obtained which assisted officers in identifying a suspect vehicle and a person of interest. The suspect vehicle was located in the 1100 block of Varsity Boulevard. Officers observed a spent shell casing and broken glass inside the vehicle. A search warrant was issued for the vehicle and a search was conducted at the suspect's apartment. Investigators recovered several spent shell casings, ammunition, and a loaded gun during their searches. Investigators believe that an unoccupied car was the target of the shooting. There was no reported damage to the targeted vehicle. There is a connection between the intended vehicle and the offender. There was no report of injuries. The offender, Maurice Shaw, was arrested, charged, and will be transported to the DeKalb County Jail.

CHARGES:

Maurice Shaw, 44 years old, from DeKalb Illinois was charged with Armed Habitual Criminal, Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon by a Felon, Reckless Discharge of a Firearm, Unlawful Possession of Ammunition without a Firearm Owners Identification Card (FOID) and Unlawful Possession of a Gun without a FOID.