

VILLAGE PRESIDENT

Terry Vorderer

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Ralph Soch - 6th Dist.



VILLAGE MANAGER

Thomas Phelan

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 4th, 2025

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On April 3rd, 2025, at approximately 10:15am, Oak Lawn Police Department (OLPD) Units responded to an armed subject call at a home in the 9400 Block of Parkside Ave., officers arrived on scene in seconds. OLPD Officers quickly established a perimeter and learned from the homeowner that the offender had fled, area schools were placed on a lock down. The homeowner said he confronted the subject in the backyard of his residence after seeing the subject in the detached garage. The homeowner related that the subject lifted his hooded sweatshirt and displayed what he believed was a firearm before fleeing. OLPD Drone Task Force officers deployed a drone and began a search of the area, locating a subject several yards away. A perimeter officer also observed the same subject exiting a yard, the subject was stopped and identified as Ryan Dace. Dace, a known burglar and felon, is believed to be homeless and has a last known address in Crete, IL. Dace was identified as the offender even though he had changed some clothing and discarded some items in an attempt to change his appearance. Dace was arrested and was not in possession of any weapons, a ground search ensued but a weapon was not located. Arresting officers stated Dace's belt and belt buckle matched the description of the reported firearm. Dace was charged with misdemeanor Assault and Criminal Trespass, he was cited and released. He is scheduled to appear in court on May 21st at 10:30am in Rm. 105.

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