



March 3, 2025
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217-347-0774, Extension 5326



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CITATIONS and ARRESTS

February 18th, 2025

Makenna R. Funneman, 23, Effingham
Cited: 1757 hours, Douglas Township
Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle

February 25, 2025

Michael J. Lee, 38, Greensboro, NC
Cited: 2100 Hours, Douglas Township
Improper Lane Usage

February 28, 2025

William M. Evansacosta, 25, Effingham
Cited: 2007 Hours, Douglas Township
Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle

March 2, 2025

Dakota L. Ward, 29, Shumway
Cited: 2049 hours, Douglas Township
Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle

Zachary W. Melvin, 26, Brownstown
Cited: 1342 hours, Douglas Township
Driving While Suspended



March 4, 2025
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February 27, 2025

Sarah A. Varner, 41, Effingham
Cited: 0759 hours, Douglas Township
Driving While Suspended

Shaine L. Freeman, 32, Effingham
Cited: 1222 Hours, Douglas Township
Operation of Uninsured Motor Vehicle

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Brendan A. Beebe 27, Effingham
Cited: 0832 hours, Douglas Township
Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle
Driving While Suspended



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Nathan S. Sparks, 33, Homeless
Arrested: 0932 hours, Douglas Township
Criminal Trespass to Real Property

Jerry D. Gutherie, 46, Homeless
Arrested: 1438 hours, Douglas Township
Resisting/Obstructing a Peace Officer



March 6, 2025
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Trent L. Short, 26, Imperial, MO
Cited: 1528 hours, Douglas Township
Disobeying Traffic Control Device

March 5, 2025

Willis S. Kauffman, 23, Effingham
Cited: 0711 hours, Douglas Township
Disobeying Traffic Control Device

Shane J. Bohn, 51, Effingham
Arrested: 2052 hours, Douglas Township
Possession of Meth
Criminal Trespass to Real Property

Jody L. Nosbisch, 59, Effingham
Arrested: 2052 hours, Douglas Township
Criminal Trespass to Real Property



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February 28, 2025

Corrina J. Young, 44, Sigel
Cited: 1613 hours, Douglas Township
Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle

March 5, 2025

Andrew L. Splechter, 20, Effingham
Arrested: 1515 hours, Douglas Township
No Valid Driver's License
Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle

Enrique Lerma-Gonzalez, 41, Neoga
Arrested: 0952 hours, Douglas Township
No Valid Driver's License



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Al R. Brustmeyer, 54, Galveston, TX
Cited: 1056 hours, Douglas Township
Improper Parking in Roadway

March 4, 2025

Nathaniel S. Sparks, 33, Beecher City
Arrested: 1606 hours, Douglas Township
Retail Theft
Criminal Trespass to Real Property

March 6, 2025

Emil A. Vische, 57, Ontonagon, MI
Cited: 1024 hours, Douglas Township
No Valid Driver's License
Operating Uninsured Vehicle
Improper Lane Usage

March 7, 2025

Anthony R. Roedl, 25, Altamont
Cited: 1250 hours, Douglas Township
Expired Registration



March 11, 2025
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Crystal R. Snyder, 33, Homeless
Arrested: 0214 hours, Douglas Township
Possession of Methamphetamine
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
Unlawful Possession of Hypodermic Needle/Syringe

March 6, 2025

Kaleb C. Sapp, 30, Highland
Arrested: 2218 hours, Douglas Township
Driving Under the Influence

March 7, 2025

Jason D. Flowers, 50, Beecher City
Arrested: 0454 hours, Douglas Township
No Valid Driver's License

Robert A. Pineda, 41, Effingham
Arrested: 2036 hours, Douglas Township
No Valid Driver's License
Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle

Jacob A. Shelton, 35, Homeless
Arrested: 2144 hours, Douglas Township
Possession of Methamphetamine

March 9, 2025

Nicole L. Tolliver, 44, Homeless
Arrested: 2203 hours, Douglas Township
Disorderly Conduct

March 10, 2025

Robert E. Lee, 32, Effingham
Cited: 0903 hours, Douglas Township
Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle

Michael D. Munsell, 52, Homeless
Arrested: 2045 hours, Douglas Township
Criminal Trespass to Real Property



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Delbert R. Sheppard, 57, Newton
Arrested: 0943 hours, Douglas Township
Criminal Damage to Property

March 10, 2025

Jamie L. Kimsey, 47, Effingham
Arrested: 1529 hours, Douglas Township
Possession of Stolen Motor Vehicle

March 12, 2025

Jerry D. Gutherie, 46, Homeless
Arrested: 0016 hours, Douglas Township
Criminal Trespass to Real Property
Possession of Methamphetamine
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia



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Scottie L. Bone, 32, Edgewood
Arrested: 0744 hours, Douglas Township
Driving While License Revoked



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March 12, 2025

Jennifer J. Priebe, 47, Marseilles
Cited: 1606 hours, Douglas Township
Littering

Bryan D. Goering, 43, Effingham
Arrested: 1650 hours, Douglas Township
Possession of Methamphetamine
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Jennifer J. Priebe, 47, Marseilles
Cited: 1846 hours, Douglas Township
Pedestrian Under the Influence



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March 8, 2025

Brian S. Dennis, 45, Newton
Arrested: 2017 hours, Douglas Township
Criminal Damage to Property
Resisting Peace Officer
Obstructing Identification

March 13, 2025

Nate S. Sparks, 33, Homeless
Arrested: 2206 hours, Douglas Township
Retail Theft
Criminal Trespass to Real Property

March 14, 2025

James D. Patton II, 21, Vandalia
Arrested: 1053 hours, Douglas Township
Driving while License Suspended
Operating Uninsured

March 16, 2025

Isabella R. Gardner, 28, Homeless

Arrested: 1838 hours, Douglas Township

Residential Burglary

2x - Aggravated Battery to a Peace Officer

Resisting Arrest

Theft



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March 17, 2025

Simranjeet Singh, 36, Manteca, CA
Arrested: 1949 hours, Douglas Township
Driving Under the Influence
Disobeying Traffic Control Device



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Cotie W. Rhea, 26, Effingham
Cited: 0217 hours, Douglas Township
Driving While License Suspended



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March 19, 2025

Nate S. Sparks, 33, Homeless
Arrested: 1808 hours, Douglas Township
Criminal Trespass to Real Property

March 20, 2025

Nate S. Sparks, 33, Homeless
Arrested: 1840 hours, Douglas Township
Criminal Trespass to Real Property

Victor P. Sanchez, 33, Effingham
Arrested: 2228 hours, Douglas Township
Domestic Battery

March 21, 2025

John N. Vanpelt, 28, Homeless
Arrested: 1435 hours, Douglas Township
Driving While License Suspended

Karri J. Edens, 35, Homeless
Cited: 1644 hours, Douglas Township
Failure to Yield

Nate S. Sparks, 33, Homeless

Arrested: 1734 hours, Douglas Township

Criminal Trespass to Real Property

Littering

Nate S. Sparks, 33, Homeless

Arrested: 1834 hours, Douglas Township

Reckless Conduct

Carlos Guzman Rodriguez, 28, Effingham

Cited: 2251 hours, Douglas Township

Operating a Motor Vehicle with Suspended Registration

March 22, 2025

Maithe C. Rincon, 37, Homeless

Cited: 0301 hours, Douglas Township

Operating a Motor Vehicle with Suspended Registration

March 23, 2025

Arabel Gonzalez, 34, Effingham

Arrested: 0207 hours, Douglas Township

Domestic Battery



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March 23, 2025

Kyle E. Julius, 42, Effingham
Arrested: 1420 hours, Douglas Township
Battery
Criminal Damage to Property

March 24, 2025

Lakhvir Singh, 23, Fremont, CA
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Improper Parking on Roadway



March 26, 2025
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March 24, 2025

Brandon S. Cook, 43, Cowden

Arrested: 1356 hours, Douglas Township

Possession of Methamphetamine

Unlawful Possession of Hypodermic Needle/Syringe

March 25, 2025

Timothy L. Hardesty, 46, Altamont

Arrested: 1249 hours, Douglas Township

Driving While License Suspended

Fail to Signal When Required

Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle

Dennis A. Scott, 64, Effingham

Arrested: 1326 hours, Douglas Township

Retail Theft

Taylor R. Torres, 23, Effingham

Cited: 2117 hours, Douglas Township

Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle



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James R. Lowe, 56, Homeless
Arrested: 0922 hours, Douglas Township
Criminal Trespass to Real Property



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March 26, 2025

Jeffery A. Domijan, 19, Effingham
Cited: 1518 hours, Douglas Township
Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle

March 27, 2025

Janet L. McChuen, 61, Watson
Cited: 1046 hours, Douglas Township
Disobeying Traffic Control Device

Nate S. Sparks, 33, Homeless
Arrested: 1347 hours, Douglas Township
Criminal Trespass to Real Property

Nate S. Sparks, 33, Homeless
Arrested: 2224 hours, Douglas Township
Criminal Trespass to Real Property



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March 25, 2025

Natalee B. Adkinson, 25, Effingham
Cited: 2047 hours, Douglas Township
Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle

March 28, 2025

Matthew W. Koberlein, 37, Effingham
Arrested: 1139 hours, Douglas Township
Driving While License Revoked

March 29, 2025

Tracy A. Bedwell, 62, Watson
Arrested: 2051 hours, Douglas Township
Driving While License Suspended
Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle



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MARCH 17, 2025

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY SUSPECT ARRESTED

At approximately 6:38 P.M. on March 16, 2025, Effingham Police responded to reports of a suspicious subject who was possibly in a vacant apartment in the 200th block of W. Virginia Avenue. Upon arrival, responding officers learned that a female, later identified as Isabella R. Gardner, 28, Homeless, had barricaded herself in the apartment and that no one else was inside.

Gardner refused orders to exit the apartment; Officers then made entry into the apartment, taking Gardner into custody on a Coles County Failure to Appear Warrant for Larceny. Gardner actively resisted Officers during the arrest and kicked two officers before she was placed into a Police squad car; one officer received minor injuries. Gardner sustained no injuries. She was subsequently transported to Effingham County Jail where she was booked for the following charges:

- **Residential Burglary; Class 1 Felony (Conviction carries a sentence of 4-15 years in prison)**
- **2 Counts Aggravated to a Peace Officer; Class 2 Felony**
- **Resisting/Obstructing a Peace Officer; Class 4 Felony**
- **Theft; Class A Misdemeanor**



During the arrest, multiple items which were stolen by Gardner were recovered. Damage was also observed to other items in the residence as well as the interior.

Gardner is being held at Effingham County Jail with no bond and is scheduled to have her first court appearance on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, to determine if she meets the criteria for further detention under the Pre-Trial Fairness Act.

The investigation is on-going and no further information will be released at this time.

Effingham Police Chief Jason McFarland noted that this incident was a collaboration between residents immediately reporting suspicious activity and swift law enforcement action, stating,

"Thanks to the immediate response from our officers, we were able to quickly identify and apprehend the suspect in this residential burglary. This arrest ensures that justice is served and that our community remains safe. We appreciate the

cooperation of residents and urge everyone to remain vigilant and report suspicious activity immediately when it happens. This arrest ensures accountability and brings peace of mind to the affected residents. We remain committed to keeping our community safe and holding those who break the law responsible for their actions."

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If you see it, say it! The Effingham Police Department encourages you to call the Police Department immediately at 217-347-0774 to report suspicious activity in your neighborhood or business district. Information can be given anonymously by calling the CRIME STOPPERS Tip Line at 217-347-6583. Anonymous callers can receive up to \$1,000 cash rewards.