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Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm Arrest

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Glendale Heights – On Sunday, July 13, 2008 at about 2:20 a.m., Officers from the Glendale Heights Police Department responded to a disturbance in the area of Norton and Winthrop Ave., Glendale Heights.

Upon arrival, officers discovered a group of subjects leaving the area on foot. Officers encountered Manuel J. Rodriguez walking while carrying a bat. While officers were taking Rodriguez into custody, two subjects approached and began to interfere in the arrest. One subject, Karina Bonilla was taken into custody and charged with Battery to a Police Officer and Obstructing a Police Officer. The second subject, Eduardo Bonilla was taken into custody for Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor, Obstructing a Police Officer and Resisting a Police Officer. Manuel Rodriguez was also charged with Unlawful Use of Weapon and Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor.

While completing the investigation into the disturbance at Norton and Winthrop Ave., Glendale Heights Communications received a 911 call regarding shots fired in the 400 block of Winthrop Ave., Glendale Heights.

Officers responded and discovered the home at 444 Winthrop had been struck by pellets from apparent shotgun blasts. Two windows were broken, however no one was injured in the residence.

Investigating officers determined a second house located at 1397 Davine Dr. was also damaged from an apparent shotgun blast. No injuries were sustained in this incident either.

Members of the Glendale Heights Police Department Investigations Unit were able to identify Charles D. Kral and James R. Kral as the suspects in the shootings. The shootings were a result of the earlier disturbance on Winthrop Ave. Charles and James Kral were each charged with two counts of Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm.

Manuel Rodriguez, Karina Bonilla and Eduardo Bonilla were released on bond. Charles and James Kral were transported to the DuPage County Jail to await bond court.

Members of the public are reminded that this complaint contains only charges and is not proof of the defendants' guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial in which it is the government's burden to prove his or her guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.