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PRESS RELEASE

MOUNT PROSPECT POLICE CHARGE SUBJECT WITH FIVE COUNTS OF CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY



Kyle P. Obrochta

On November 26, 2010 at 1:04 AM, Mount Prospect Police responded to a 911 call of a green sports utility vehicle (SUV) driving on lawns and sidewalks in the area of the 300 block of South Wapella Avenue. One of the witnesses was able to provide a license plate number for the offending vehicle. While checking the area, Mount Prospect Police Officer Mike Angarola observed a green Jeep Cherokee with the license plate matching the witness' description travelling erratically on the roadway. Officer Angarola initiated a traffic stop on the Jeep and spoke to the driver and sole passenger, 23 year-old Kyle P. Obrochta of the 100 block of North Eastwood Avenue in Mount Prospect. Due to Officer Angarola's physical observations of Obrochta, his erratic driving, statements made by Obrochta, as well as Obrochta's failure of several field sobriety tests, he was placed under arrest for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol (DUI).

At the Mount Prospect Police Station, officers questioned Obrochta about similar criminal damage to lawn activity reported by nearby residents on the night of November 24th (the previous night); as well as the criminal damage to lawn activity reported to the Mount Prospect

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Police immediately prior to the traffic stop of Obrochta's vehicle. Obrochta initially denied involvement in damaging lawns on the night of November 24th or the early morning of November 26th. After questioning subsequent to his arrest for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol, Obrochta admitted damaging five lawns primarily in the area of Lions Park in Mount Prospect with his vehicle between November 24th and 26th.

Obrochta was charged with five misdemeanor counts of Criminal Damage to Property and one misdemeanor count of Reckless Driving, in addition to Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. Obrochta was released after posting the required bond and assigned a court date of December 20, 2010 at 9:00 AM in room #101 of the Cook County 3rd District Courthouse in Rolling Meadows.

The public is reminded that criminal charges are not evidence of guilt and that all defendants in a criminal case are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in a court of law.

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