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## Crawford County Sheriff's Office Press Release

The following subjects have been charged with a crime but are presumed innocent until proven guilty:

On November 29, 2024 approximately 05:44 Crawford County Deputies responded to a single vehicle accident CR 2000N near CR 200E in Licking Township. Dakota Blakeman, age 31, of Casey, IL driving a 2006 Toyota Camry allegedly fell a sleep went off the roadway in to a ditch then rolled the vehicle causing over \$1,500 in damage. United Lifecare Ambulance Service and the Prairie-Licking Fire Department were also dispatched to the scene. Blakeman refused medical treatment. Due to the damage Crouse Wrecker Service towed the vehicle from the scene.

On November 28, 2024 approximately 20:05 Crawford County Deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident IL RT 1 near CR 1750N in Hutsonville Township. [UNIT 1] driven by Christian Kisomba, age 46, of Cedar Rapids, IA driving a 2017 Toyota Highlander was passing and when merging back collided with [UNIT 2] driven by Steven Greene, age 36, of rural Robinson driving a 2022 Chevrolet 1500 Pickup. United Lifecare Ambulance Service and Hutsonville Fire Department were dispatched to the scene. Refusals were signed for medical treatment. [UNIT 1] was towed from the scene by Crouse Wrecker Service of Robinson. [UNIT 2] was able to be driven from the scene.

On November 28, 2024 approximately 19:14 Crawford County Deputies were involved in a vehicle pursuit of a black Infiniti SUV with MI registration heading southbound on IL RT 1 near CR 950N in Robinson Township. The pursuit had several traffic violations and speeds up to 120 MPH and the suspect was traveling in the wrong lane several times. The pursuit continued in to Lawrence County and finally ended in Lawrenceville after cashing in to another vehicle and then crashing in to a house located at 808 15<sup>th</sup> St. Lawrenceville. The suspect left the scene and several local agencies assisted in locating the suspected. The

suspect was a black male wearing gray joggers and an orange sweatshirt. The black male was tall, skinny, and had dreadlocks. The Illinois State Police was requested to complete the accident reports from the local authorities. Crouse Wrecker Service of Robinson towed the vehicle from the scene. The vehicle involved was a 2018 Infiniti QX 69 and the registration returned out of Grand Rapids, MI.

On November 29, 2024 approximately 08:30 the suspect was apprehended by the local authorities. A Black Male, age 15, out of Grand Rapids, MI. Charges are pending by the Crawford and Lawrence County State's Attorneys.

On November 28, 2024 approximately 23:17 Crawford County Deputies arrested George Russell, age 45, of rural Oblong for; Violation of an Order of Protection. Russell was transported to our county jail for processing and remains in custody awaiting a detainment hearing.

On November 27, 2024 approximately 14:27 Crawford County Deputies responded to a car/deer accident CR 1800E near CR 375N in Montgomery Township. Cathy Alderson, age 65, of rural Palestine driving a 2019 GMC Terrian collided with a deer causing over \$1,500 in damage. No injuries were reported and the vehicle was able to be driven from the scene.

On November 26, 2024 approximately 18:06 Crawford County Deputies responded to a car/deer accident IL RT 33 near CR 600E in Oblong Township. A Female Driver, age 16, of rural Newton, IL driving a 2020 Ford F-350 owned by Thomas Tarr collided with a deer causing over \$1,500. No injuries were reported and the vehicle was able to be driven from the scene.

On November 26, 2024 approximately 10:53 Crawford County Deputies responded to a car/deer CR 700N near CR 1300E in Robinson Township. Tyler Lowrance, age 64, of rural Robinson driving a 2024 Chevrolet Silverado collided with a deer causing over \$1,500 in damage. No injuries were reported and the vehicle was able to be driven from the scene.

On November 26, 2024 approximately 08:12 Crawford County Deputies arrested Brian Bray, age 31, of Marshall for; Crawford County Failure to Appear Warrant – (Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance et al......). Bray turned himself in at the county jail and was processed through the jail. Bray remained in custody until he attended a detainment hearing and was later released by the court.

On November 25, 2024 approximately 17:43 Crawford County Deputies responded to a car/deer accident CR 2200N near CR 925E in Prairie Township. Rex Shields, age 75, of Annapolis driving a 2009 Colorado collided with a deer

causing over \$1,500 in damage. No injuries were reported and the vehicle was able to be driven from the scene.

On November 25, 2024 approximately 15:42 Crawford County Deputies responded to a car/deer accident IL RT 1 near CR 2000N in Hutsonville Township. Courtney Switzer, age 41, of Marshall driving a 2024 Mazda Utility collided with a deer causing over \$1,500 in damage. No injuries were reported, but the vehicle was towed by Shook's Wrecker Service of Robinson due to the damage.

**County Jail Population Report**:

Males: 23 Females: 4 Juveniles: 0 Total: 27

Sentenced and waiting on transport to IDOC: Two (2) males.

**Lawrence County**: 0 **Edgar County**: 0 **Jasper County**: 0 **Jackson County**: 0

**Clay County:** 0 **Jefferson County:** 0

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