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Arrest of Axe Wielding Offender

On Saturday, June 24, 2017, at approximately 11:05am, Berwyn Police units responded to several calls of a disturbance in the area of 3447 S. Ridgeland Avenue. Callers were reporting that a male subject was swinging an ax at people and vehicles in the area. Upon officers arrival it was reported that the offender fled in a vehicle, a Mercedes SUV west on Ogden Avenue. A few minutes later units received a call of a male and vehicle matching the description was in the 3700 block of Wesley damaging vehicles with an ax. The callers related that the offender fled the area west on 39th Street. Shortly after officers located the suspected offending vehicle and suspect. Officers activated their Police emergency Equipment and attempted to conduct a traffic stop of the suspect, however the offender fled from the officers and a vehicle pursuit ensued. The suspect was eventually boxed in in the 1900 block Ridgeland-Cuyler alley at which time the offender surrendered to the police.

The offender was subsequently identified as Thach Ho, a 43 year old Asian who resides in Burbank, but used to reside in Berwyn. Thach Ho was subsequently criminally charged with the following:

- 10 Felony Criminal Damage to Property charges;
- 1 Felony Aggravated Fleeing and Eluding,
- 4 Misdemeanor Criminal Damage to Property charges;
- Misdemeanor Reckless Driving;
- Misdemeanor Driving Under the Influence of Drugs; and,
- Several miscellaneous Traffic Citations.

Ho has 11 Felony charges pending in court; 6 Misdemeanor charges and several traffic citations.

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Name: **HO, Thach**

Resident of Burbank Illinois

43 Years of Age

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