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GLEN ELLYN POLICE MAKE ARRESTS IN 'OPEN HOUSE' BURGLARIES

Glen Ellyn Police have been investigating several reports of theft of personal property from homes during realtor open house events. Offenders posed as interested buyers and, while walking through the homes, allegedly stole jewelry and other items. There are five investigations of this nature being investigated by the Glen Ellyn Police and the reports of these incidents began July 23, 2017. Other incidents were discovered around the same time period.

After substantial investigation, Glen Ellyn Police arrested 19-year-old George Kallas and 18-year-old Sophie Kallas, both of the 900 block of Newton Avenue, Glen Ellyn. Mr. Kallas was arrested on August 2, 2017 and charged with three counts of residential burglary. Ms. Kallas turned herself in on August 3, 2017 and was also charged with three counts of residential burglary. Both were taken to the DuPage County Jail after being booked at the Glen Ellyn Police Department.

Investigators continue to try and identify the owners of some of the property recovered during these investigations.

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

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