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Town of Chenango Woman Charged for Stealing Vehicle with Two Children Inside

(TOWN OF CHENANGO, NY) A Town of Chenango woman is facing felony and misdemeanor charges after stealing multiple vehicles, one containing two children in the Town of Chenango.

On Monday, January 26, 2026 at approximately 2:37 AM, Broome County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol deputies responded to a 911 report of a stolen vehicle in the area of 1749 State Route 12 in the Town of Chenango.

According to witness reports, the owner of the stolen vehicle, a 2016 Ford Explorer, had left it running in the parking lot of the Dollar General on Route 12 as he was plowing snow from the same parking lot using another vehicle. At around 2:20 AM, the owner reportedly saw a woman enter his Explorer and drive off with two children, ages 8 and 12, still inside the vehicle.

The victim then pursued the stolen vehicle south for a mile on Route 12 before successfully getting the vehicle to stop near 1563 State Route 12, unlocking the vehicle and pulling the female suspect out of the driver's seat. The suspect then reportedly ran to the victim's other vehicle and attempted to steal it as well, before the victim successfully pulled her out of the driver's seat. The suspect then reportedly fled southbound on Route 12 on foot.

As responding deputies made their way to the scene at 2:37 AM, a suspect matching the description was located walking in the area of 1563 State Route 12. Upon being approached by BCSO deputies, the suspect was extremely uncooperative, refused to answer questions and was subsequently taken into custody. During the arresting process, the suspect reportedly fought with patrols and kicked a New York State Trooper in the face.

The suspect, Dana E. Dioguardi, age 46 of the Town of Chenango, was then positively identified by the victim as the individual who had stolen his vehicle.

Following the investigation, Dana E. Dioguardi was charged with the following:

General Information:
(607) 778-1911

Fiscal:
(607) 778-2928

Garnishees:
(607) 778-2926

Civil:
(607) 778-2145

Identification:
(607) 778-2924

Records:
(607) 778-2166

- Two (2) Counts of Kidnapping in the 2nd Degree, Class B Felonies
- Grand Larceny in the 4th Degree, a Class E Felony
- Attempted Grand Larceny in the 4th Degree, a Class E Felony
- Two (2) Counts of Child Endangerment, Class A Misdemeanors
- Resisting Arrest, a Class A Misdemeanor
- Obstruction of Governmental Administration in the 2nd Degree, a Class A Misdemeanor

Dioguardi was processed and remanded to the Broome County Correctional Facility.

The Broome County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the New York State Police.

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