

Troopers Investigating Attempted Robbery and Assault in Rodney Village Shopping Center

Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier

Dover – The Delaware State Police are investigating an attempted robbery and assault that occurred in the parking lot of the Rodney Village Shopping Center.

The incident occurred around 9:00 p.m. Monday May 22, 2017 as a 33-year-old male was walking northwest through the shopping plaza (1600 block of South Governors Avenue) when he was confronted by a male subject. The suspect demanded the victim's money and when the victim informed him that he did not have any, the suspect pulled a box cutter from his pocket and cut the victim on the forearm before fleeing in an unknown direction. The victim was later transported to Bayhealth Kent General Hospital where he was treated and released with non-life-threatening injuries.

The suspect was described as a black male, 5'07"-5'09" tall, 170-180 lbs., wearing a dark colored hooded sweatshirt, black pants, and a black head cover (no further physical or clothing description available). Armed with a box cutter.

If anyone has any information in reference to this incident they are asked to contact the Troop 3 Major Crimes Unit at 302-698-8434. Information may also be provided by calling [Delaware Crime Stoppers](http://DelawareCrimeStoppers.com) at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com, or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword "DSP."

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

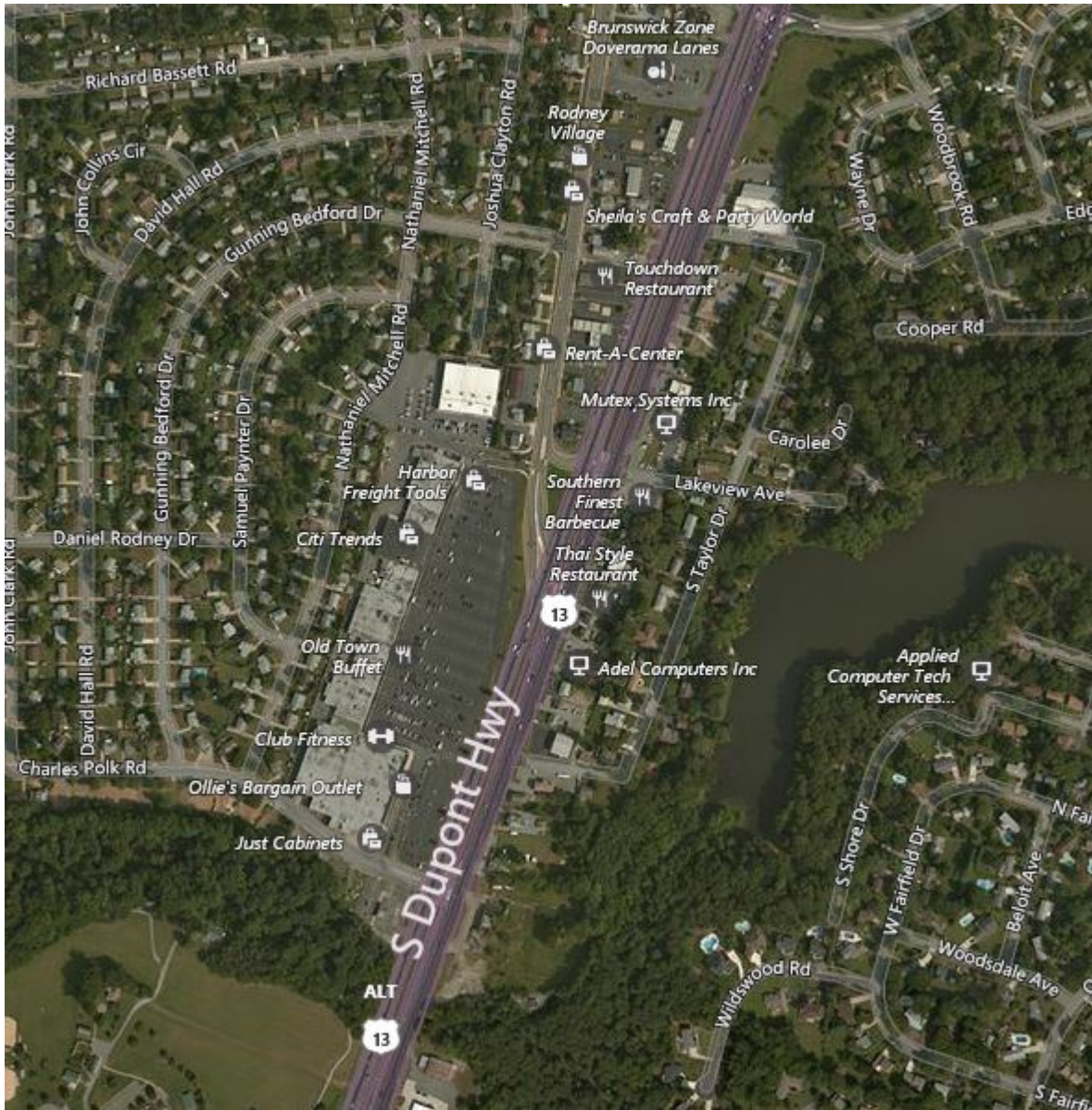
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