

Troopers Arrest Man for DUI and Felony Resisting Arrest

The Delaware State Police arrested 23-year-old **Miguel Santos-Chavez** of Georgetown, Delaware for resisting arrest and DUI following a traffic stop that took place in Millsboro early this morning.

On July 2, 2023, at approximately 12:12 a.m., a trooper on patrol saw a black 2012 Volkswagen Jetta speeding on eastbound Mount Joy Road near Oak Street. The trooper also saw the Jetta swerve off the road and into the grass after it turned onto southbound Hollyville Road. The trooper stopped the car and contacted the driver and only occupant, identified as Miguel Santos-Chavez. The trooper smelled alcohol coming from Santos-Chavez's breath and detected signs of impairment. When the trooper tried to take Santos-Chavez into custody for DUI, Santos-Chavez began running away into a field. Santos-Chavez fell as troopers chased him, and he began flailing and actively resisting arrest on the ground. Santos-Chavez was taken into custody a short time later.

Santos-Chavez, who initially gave the trooper a false name and birthday during the traffic stop, was taken to Troop 4 and charged with the following crimes:

- Resisting Arrest With Force or Violence (Felony)
- Criminal Impersonation
- Criminal Mischief
- Driving a Vehicle Under the Influence of Alcohol
- Traffic offenses

Santos-Chavez was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 3 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on \$3,100 cash bond.

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