

***Update – Victim Identified* State Police Investigating Fatal Bicycle Crash in Laurel**

The Delaware State Police have identified 26-year-old **Jose Calvo Velasquez**, of Laurel, Delaware, as the man who died in the [fatal bicycle crash](#) Sunday night in Laurel.

The investigation is still ongoing by the Delaware State Police Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit. Troopers ask anyone who witnessed the crash or has any information to contact Master Corporal K. Argo at (302) 703-3264. Information may also be provided by sending a private Facebook message to the [Delaware State Police](#) or contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-847-3333.

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State Police Arrest Pennsylvania Man on Felony Weapons Charges After Road

Rage Incident in Felton

The Delaware State Police arrested 38-year-old **Jeffrey Neifert**, of New Ringgold, Pennsylvania, on felony firearm and related offenses in connection with a road rage incident Monday morning in Felton.

On April 20, 2026, at approximately 9:40 a.m., the Kent County 9-1-1 Center received a report of a road rage incident involving a firearm on South Dupont Highway near Killens Pond Road. The suspect vehicle was described as a Dodge Ram pickup truck. A short time later, a trooper patrolling the area saw a Dodge Ram matching the description and conducted a traffic stop. The driver was identified as Jeffrey Neifert. During the investigation, the trooper recovered a switchblade from Neifert and a loaded handgun from inside the vehicle.

The preliminary investigation revealed that while traveling on South Dupont Highway near Irish Hill Road, Neifert displayed a handgun during a road rage confrontation with another driver.

Neifert was arrested without incident and taken to Troop 3. He was charged with the below listed offenses, arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 2, and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on a \$78,000 cash bond.



- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony (Felony)
 - Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon (Felony) – 2 counts
 - Aggravated Menacing (Felony)
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State Police Arrest Dover Woman for 5th Offense DUI

The Delaware State Police have arrested 33-year-old **Mirna Lopez**, of Dover, Delaware, for felony 5th offense DUI, drug, and related traffic charges, following a traffic stop in Dover.

On April 19, 2026, at approximately 4:40 a.m., a trooper saw a Hyundai Santa Fe speeding northbound on Bay Road near Transportation Circle. The trooper pulled the Hyundai over and spoke to the driver, identified as Mirna Lopez, who showed multiple signs of impairment. Standardized Field Sobriety Tests were administered, and after the tests, she was arrested for driving under the influence. During an inventory search of the Hyundai, the trooper found approximately .20 grams of cocaine.

A computer check showed that Lopez had four prior DUI-related convictions.

Lopez was taken to Troop 3, where she was charged with the offenses listed below, arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 7, and committed to Delores J. Baylor Women's Correctional Institution on an \$8,000 cash bond.

- 5th Offense DUI (Felony)
- Possess, Consume a Controlled or Counterfeit Substance

- Except Human Growth Hormone Without a Prescription
 - Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
 - Driving while Suspended or Revoked
 - Speeding
 - Failure to Have Insurance Identification in Possession
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***Update – Victim Identified* State Police Arrest Driver for Vehicular Homicide Following Two-Vehicle Fatal Crash in Wilmington**

Delaware State Police have identified 72-year-old **James Matthews**, of Newark, Delaware, as the man who died in the [fatal crash](#) on Saturday afternoon in Wilmington.

Delaware State Police Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this crash. Anyone who witnessed the crash or has relevant information is asked to contact Master Corporal R. Kunicki at (302) 365-8417. Information may also be provided by sending a private Facebook message to the [Delaware State Police](#) or contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-847-3333.

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Services Unit at DSP_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov.

State Police Investigating Fatal Bicycle Crash in Laurel

The Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal bicycle crash that occurred last night in Laurel.

On April 19, 2026, at approximately 9:10 p.m., a man was riding his bicycle, in the westbound lane of travel, on Shiloh Church Road approaching Turkey Knob Road. At the same time, a Ford Explorer was also traveling westbound on Shiloh Church Road approaching Turkey Knob Road. The preliminary investigation revealed that the right front of the Explorer struck the bicycle, and the rider was ejected.

The bicyclist, who has not yet been identified, was taken to an area hospital where he died.

The driver of the Explorer, a 75-year-old-man from Delmar, Delaware, was not injured.

The [roadway was closed](#) for approximately 3 hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

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State Police Arrest Driver for Vehicular Homicide Following Two-Vehicle Fatal Crash in Wilmington

Delaware State Police have arrested 35-year-old **Michelle Palazzolo** of Wilmington, Delaware, for vehicular homicide and traffic-related charges following a two-vehicle fatal crash that occurred on Saturday afternoon in Wilmington.

On April 18, 2026, at approximately 2:20 p.m., a gray Toyota Prius was traveling eastbound in the right left-turn lane of Rocky Run Parkway at Concord Pike. The Toyota had a green arrow traffic signal to turn left onto Concord Pike northbound. At the same time, a white Ford Taurus was traveling in the center lane of Concord Pike southbound, approaching Rocky Run Parkway. The Ford had a red traffic signal. As the Toyota entered the intersection, the Ford failed to stop at the red light. The front of the Ford collided with the left side of the Toyota.

The driver of the Toyota, a 72-year-old man from Newark, Delaware, was taken to an area hospital, where he died. His name is being withheld until his family is notified.

The driver of the Ford, identified as Michelle Palazzolo, was taken to an area hospital for non-life-threatening injuries. Palazzolo showed signs of impairment at the time of the crash.

Concord Pike was [closed](#) for approximately 3.5 hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

Palazzolo was charged with the crimes listed below, arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 11, and committed to the Delores J. Baylor Women's Correctional Institution on a \$10,250 secured bond.

- Vehicular Homicide 2nd Degree Driving Under the Influence (Felony)
- Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol
- Failure to Have Required Insurance
- Failure to Stop at a Red Light

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State Police Arrest Dover Man for Assault and Aggravated Menacing in Dover

The Delaware State Police have arrested 45-year-old **Joseph Chapler**, from Dover, Delaware, following an assault and aggravated menacing incident that occurred Thursday night in Dover.

On April 16, 2026, at approximately 10:20 p.m., troopers responded to the parking lot of Microtel, located at 1703 East Lebanon Road in Dover for a report of an assault and aggravated menacing. When troopers arrived, they learned that a man and woman were walking on a path behind the Microtel when they were approached by an unknown male suspect. The suspect threatened the victims, pointed a gun at them, and sprayed the female victim with pepper spray before running away. The victims ran to safety and called 9-1-1. The female victim was treated by EMS but refused medical attention.

Through investigative means, detectives identified Joseph Chapler as the suspect and obtained a warrant for his arrest.

On April 17th, Chapler was arrested and taken to Troop 3, where he was charged with the crimes listed below, arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 2, and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on a \$94,001 cash bond.



- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony (Felony)
- Assault 2nd Degree (Felony) – 2 counts
- Aggravated Menacing (Felony) – 2 counts
- Terroristic Threatening – 2 counts
- Criminal Trespass 3rd Degree

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State Police Issues Sex Offender Notifications

The Delaware State Police Sex Offender Apprehension and Registration Unit (SOAR) is issuing the following public notifications of homeless and wanted sex offenders.

Wanted Sex Offenders

SOAR is currently looking for the following wanted sex offenders after they either failed to register or re-register at their current address. If anyone knows the location of these individuals, please call (302) 739-5882. Information may also be provided by contacting Delaware Crime Stoppers at (800) 847-3333. The individuals shown represent only a portion of the current wanted sex offenders. Please see the [Delaware Sex Offender Registry website](#) for the complete list.

BAUGH, ARTHUR



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Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	February 10, 2026
Registered Since:	December 5, 1997
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover, DE 19903
Phone:	3026592341

EWELL , STEFAN B



WANTED

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Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	January 21, 2026
Registered Since:	July 10, 2007
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover , DE 19903
Phone:	3026592341

FULTON , CHARLES A



WANTED

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Registration Information

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	April 22, 2025
Registered Since:	March 4, 2024
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	Yes
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	TROOP 6 STATE POLICE
Address:	3301 KIRKWOOD HWY PRICES CORNER Wilmington , DE 19808
Phone:	3026335000

HOSKINS , DEANGELO



WANTED

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Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	January 20, 2026
Registered Since:	July 1, 2003
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover , DE 19903
Phone:	3026592341

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WANTED

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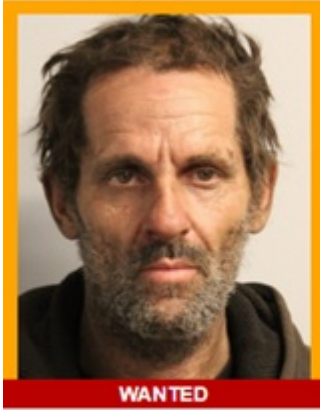
Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	March 5, 2026
Registered Since:	October 23, 2017
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	Yes
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover , DE 19903
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MARTZ , JOHN A



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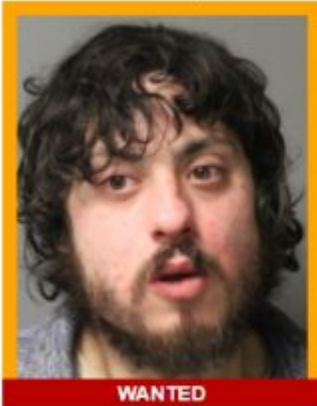
Registration Information

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	April 14, 2025
Registered Since:	March 10, 2004
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	TROOP 9 STATE POLICE
Address:	414 MAIN STREET ODESSA, DE 19730
Phone:	3023785218

VISCOUNT , MICHAEL A



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Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	March 4, 2025
Registered Since:	July 2, 2016
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover, DE 19903
Phone:	3026592341

Homeless Sex Offender

The following individuals are not wanted for failing to register or re-register at their current address. This is a homeless sex offender public notification. If you have information that the listed individuals are occupying a residence, please call (302) 739-5882. Information may also be provided by contacting Delaware Crime Stoppers at (800) 847-3333. The individual shown recently reported homeless and represents only a portion of the current homeless sex

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BLAIN , LAWRENCE W



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Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	April 13, 2026
Registered Since:	May 25, 2021
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover , DE 19903
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GRAYSON JR, WILLIS L



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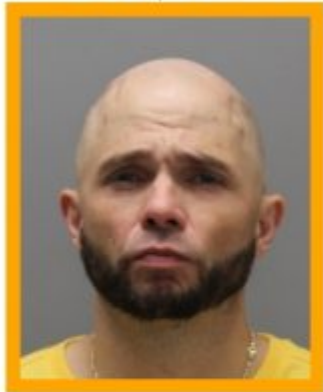
Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 3 (High Risk)
Verified On:	April 13, 2026
Registered Since:	November 17, 2022
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover , DE 19903
Phone:	3026592341

KINCAID , JESSE C



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Registration Information (Homeless)	
Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	April 15, 2026
Registered Since:	August 1, 2002
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	Yes

Police Agency of Jurisdiction	
Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover, DE 19903
Phone:	3026592341

State Police Investigating Shots Fired Incident in Wilmington

The Delaware State Police is investigating a shots fired incident that occurred late Thursday night in Wilmington.

On April 16, 2026, at approximately 11:40 p.m., troopers responded to the 4800 block of Washington Street Extension, in Wilmington, for a report of gunfire. When troopers arrived, they located several spent shell casings in the area. No injuries or property damage were reported.

The Delaware State Police Troop 2 Criminal Investigations Unit

continues to investigate this crime. Detectives ask anyone with information relevant to the case to contact Detective B. Timmons at (302) 365-8434. Information may also be provided by sending a private Facebook message to the [Delaware State Police](#) or contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-847-3333.

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State Police Investigating Two-Vehicle Fatal Crash in Newark

The Delaware State Police is investigating a two-vehicle fatal crash that occurred Saturday night in Newark.

On April 11, 2026, at approximately 11:00 p.m., a Ford Fiesta was traveling in the right lane of northbound Summit Bridge Road, south of Sunderland Boulevard, in Newark. At the same time, a Dodge Dakota was traveling in the right lane of northbound Summit Bridge Road, approaching the Ford. For reasons currently being investigated, the front of the Dodge struck the rear of the Ford.

The Ford's driver, 61-year-old **Nicholas Petrucci** from Bear, Delaware, was taken to a local hospital with serious injuries.

On April 16, 2026, Nicholas Petrucci died as a result of the injuries he sustained during the collision.

The driver of the Dodge, a 23-year-old man from Middletown, Delaware, and a passenger were not injured.

The [roadway was closed](#) for an extended period of time while the scene was investigated and cleared.

The Delaware State Police Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this crash. Investigators ask anyone who witnessed the collision, or has video, to contact Sergeant J. Jefferson at (302) 365-8484. Information may also be provided by sending a private Facebook message to the [Delaware State Police](#) or contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-847-3333.

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