

State Police Investigating Single-Vehicle Fatal Crash into C & D Canal

The Delaware State Police are investigating a single-vehicle fatal crash that occurred in the C & D Canal last night in Delaware City that left one man dead.

On February 11, 2024, at approximately 11:45 p.m., a red 2014 Chrysler 300 was traveling westbound on a gravel roadway on North Canal Road, west of the Reedy Point Bridge. For reasons under investigation, the Chrysler failed to remain on the roadway and traveled onto the rocky banks of the C & D Canal. The Chrysler then crashed into the water and ultimately became submerged.

The driver, a 60-year-old man from Elkton, Maryland, was pronounced dead at the scene. His name is being withheld until his family and relatives are notified.

The Delaware State Police Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues investigating this incident. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this crash to contact Senior Corporal M. Calio by calling (302) 365-8483. 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 Investigate Fatal Crash Involving Parked Tow Truck

Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal crash that occurred in north Wilmington late last night.

On February 10, 2024, at approximately 10:38 p.m., a Kia Optima was traveling southbound on Governor Printz Boulevard when it began navigating a curve near Lore Avenue. As the vehicle continued traveling southwest on Governor Printz Boulevard, it veered off the road and crossed onto the right shoulder, where an unoccupied Ford F-650 flatbed tow truck was parked. The Kia collided with the tow truck, becoming lodged underneath it, and subsequently forced the tow truck into the gated entrance of Ellmore Auto Collision.

The 30-year-old driver of the Kia, a resident of Wilmington, was not wearing a seatbelt at the time of the crash and was pronounced dead at the scene. The victim's identity is being withheld until her family is notified.

The southbound lanes of Governor Printz Boulevard were temporarily closed for approximately 4 hours, while the northbound lanes were closed for about 1 hour as investigators examined the scene and cleared the roadway.



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Governor Printz Blvd southbound at Haines Ave is closed for an extended time due to a serious crash. Please seek alternate routes of travel to avoid delays.

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Homeless Sex Offender Notification

The following individuals are **not wanted**. This is a Homeless [Sex Offender](#) Public Notification. If you have information that the listed individuals are occupying a residence, please call 302-672-5306. Information may also be provided by contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-847-3333.

HAMPTON , WADE



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Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 3 (High Risk)
Verified On:	February 7, 2024
Registered Since:	March 8, 2013
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

SOMMERS , PAUL



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Registration Information (Homeless)

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	February 6, 2024
Registered Since:	January 5, 2005
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

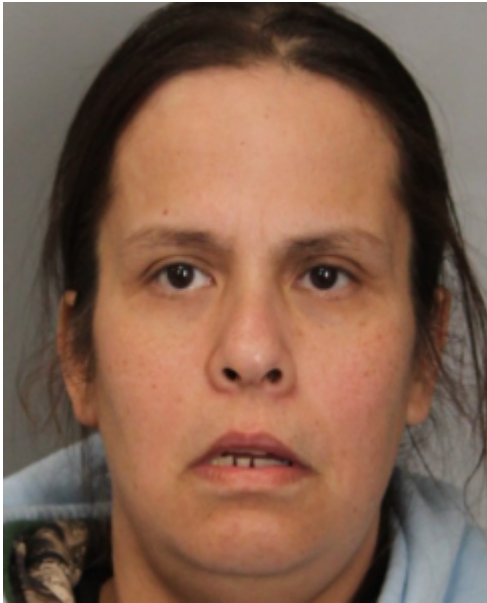
State Police Arrest Woman for DUI and Drug Charges Following Crash Investigation

Delaware State Police arrested 49-year-old **Maria Flores** of Lincoln, Delaware, for DUI and drug charges following a crash investigation that occurred Wednesday morning in Georgetown.

On February 7, 2024, at approximately 7:19 a.m., a trooper responded to the area of Gravel Hill Road and Johnson Road in Georgetown for a non-injury crash involving a black Ford van and a white BMW. Upon arriving, the trooper contacted the operator of the BMW, later identified as Maria Flores. During the interaction with Flores, the trooper observed signs of impairment and conducted Standardized Field Sobriety Tests. After the tests were completed, Flores was taken into custody for DUI and a search of her property led to the discovery of

approximately .587 grams of heroin, eight ecstasy pills, and drug paraphernalia.

Flores was transported to Troop 4, where she was charged with the crimes listed below, arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 3, and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on a \$8,800 secured bond.



- Possession With Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance (Felony) – 2 counts
 - Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – 3 counts
 - Driving Under the Influence of Drugs
 - Driving While Suspended or Revoked
 - Expired Temporary Registration
 - Fail to Obey a Traffic Control Device
 - Fail to Drive in the Proper Lane and Direction
 - Fail to Remain in a Single Lane
 - Possession of a Suspended License
 - Display of a Suspended License
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Update – Victim Identified

State Police Investigating Two-Vehicle Fatal Crash in Millsboro

The Delaware State Police have identified 35-year-old **Elysia Garin** of Laurel, Delaware, as the woman who died in the [two-vehicle fatal crash](#) that occurred Wednesday morning in Millsboro.

The Delaware State Police Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this incident. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this crash to contact Senior Corporal J. Smith by calling (302) 703-3267. 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 Millsboro

The Delaware State Police is investigating a fatal crash that occurred in Millsboro this morning.

On February 7, 2024, at approximately 6:31 a.m., a 1994 Suzuki Cappuccino was traveling eastbound on Shiloh Church Road, approaching Hardscrabble Road. At the same time, a 2008 Ford Taurus was traveling westbound on Shiloh Church Road, west of Hardscrabble Road. For reasons under investigation, the right-side drive Suzuki attempted to turn left onto an access road into the path of the Taurus where the front of the Taurus impacted the side of Suzuki.

The driver of the Suzuki, a 35-year-old woman from Laurel, Delaware was taken to an area hospital where she died. Her name is being withheld until her family and relatives are notified.

The driver of the Ford Taurus, a 28-year-old man from Salisbury, Maryland sustained minor injuries and refused treatment.

Shiloh Church Road was closed for approximately 3 hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.



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⚠️ Traffic Alert - Sussex County ⚠️

Shiloh Church Road in the area of Hardscrabble Road is closed due to a crash. Please seek alternative routes of travel to avoid delays.

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Detectives Investigating Dover Home Invasion Robbery

The Delaware State Police are investigating an armed home invasion robbery that occurred Sunday night in Dover.

On February 4, 2024, at approximately 11:00 p.m., troopers responded to a residence on Vanessa Drive in Dover, for a home invasion robbery. The ensuing investigation revealed that two suspects had forced entry into the residence, that was occupied by three adults and four children. The suspects confronted the victims and demanded money while one of the suspects displayed a firearm. The victims complied, and the suspects fled from the home with an undisclosed amount of cash and property.

No one in the home was injured. The suspects are described as a white male and a black male wearing dark-colored clothing and face masks. There is no surveillance footage available at this time.

Delaware State Police Troop 3 Criminal Investigations Unit is still investigating this incident. Detectives are asking anyone with information regarding this case to contact Detective S. Ryan by calling (302) 698-8443. 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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Detectives Investigating Shots Fired at a Vehicle in Magnolia

The Delaware State Police are investigating a shooting that occurred Friday morning in Magnolia.

On February 2, 2024, at approximately 3:27 a.m., troopers responded to Bayhealth Hospital Kent Campus and contacted a woman who reported that her car had been shot at. Detectives learned that the woman was sleeping in her car on the 100 block of Terry Drive in Magnolia, when she was approached by two black males wearing masks. When one of the suspects tried to open the car door, she drove away. As she drove away, the suspects shot at her car striking it several times.

The woman was not injured, and the motive behind the incident remains unclear.

Troop 3 Criminal Investigations Unit continues to investigate this incident. Detectives are asking anyone who witnessed or has information regarding this case to contact Detective T. Ford by calling 302-698-8569. 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 Investigates Fatal Hit and Run Crash

The Delaware State Police is investigating a fatal hit and run crash that occurred in Georgetown Saturday evening.

On February 03, 2024, at approximately 10:12 p.m., a silver Chevrolet Silverado was traveling westbound on Wilson Road, approaching the Dupont Boulevard (US-113) intersection. At the same time, a maroon Chevrolet HHR was traveling northbound in the right lane of Dupont Boulevard approaching Wilson Road. A red Dodge Ram was traveling in the left lane, a short distance behind the HHR. The HHR and the Ram on Dupont Boulevard had the solid green light. The Silverado failed to remain stopped at the solid red light on Wilson Road and entered the intersection. The HHR's front struck the left side of the Silverado. The Ram collided with the Silverado as it was rotating from the initial impact. The HHR became fully engulfed in fire shortly after the collision.

The driver of the HHR was pronounced dead at the scene. The driver's name is being withheld until his family and relatives are notified.

The driver of the Ram, a 33-year-old man from Selbyville, Delaware, was not injured.

The driver and occupant of the Silverado fled the scene.

Dupont Boulevard at the intersection of Wilson Road was closed for approximately three hours while the scene was investigated and the roadway was cleared.

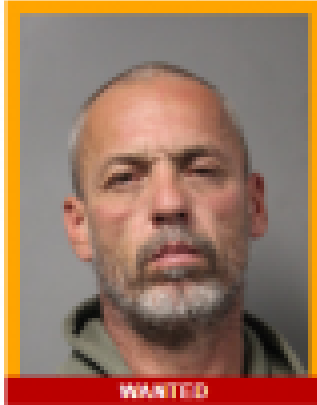
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Delaware State Police S.O.A.R. Searching for Wanted Sex Offenders

The Delaware State Police Sex Offender Apprehension and Registration Unit (S.O.A.R.) 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 302-672-5306. Information may also be provided by contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-847-3333.

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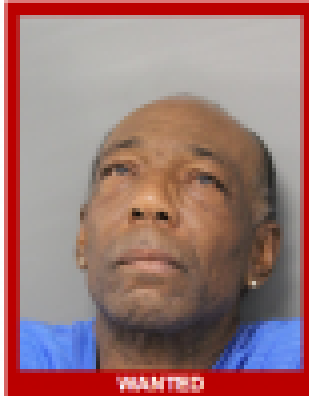
Registration Information

Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On:	May 2, 2023
Registered Since:	March 3, 2005
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

BENDER , JOHNNIE L



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Registration Information

Risk Level:	Tier 3 (High Risk)
Verified On:	November 30, 2023
Registered Since:	November 2, 2011
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	Yes
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	GEORGETOWN PD
Address:	308 NORTH RACE STREET Georgetown , DE 19847
Phone:	3028668173