

Delaware State Police Investigating Single-Vehicle Fatal Crash Near Ellendale

Delaware State Police are investigating a single-vehicle fatal crash that killed two men last night.

On June 17, 2023, at approximately 10:43 p.m., a Ford Ranger was traveling at an apparent high rate of speed in the left lane of South Dupont Boulevard, south of Fleatown Road. For unknown reasons, the driver lost control of the vehicle, causing it to veer off the left side of the road and strike a highway sign in the grassy median. The driver guided the vehicle back to the right side of the road but oversteered, causing the vehicle to re-enter the grassy median and overturn. As the vehicle continued overturning, both occupants were ejected. The vehicle eventually stopped in the left lane of North Dupont Highway.

The driver, a 30-year-old man from Milford, was not properly seat belted. He was transported to an area hospital, where he died. The passenger, a 29-year-old man from Milford, was not properly seat belted and was pronounced dead on the scene. The identification of both victims is pending notification to their families.

North and South Dupont Boulevard, from Hudson Pond Road to Milton Ellendale Highway, was temporarily shut down for approximately 2.5 hours to investigate the crash and remove any obstructions from the roadway.

The Delaware State Police Troop 4 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues investigating 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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Delaware State Police Investigating Bank Robbery in Bear

Delaware State Police are investigating a bank robbery that occurred yesterday evening at Wells Fargo.

On June 16, 2023, at approximately 5 p.m., troopers responded to a reported bank robbery at 1601 Governors Place in Bear, Delaware. When troopers arrived, they learned that an unknown suspect entered the bank just before the close of business. Shortly afterward, the suspect approached an employee and provided a note that read, "bomb, bomb...walk slow... don't talk." Knowing that the suspect's actions were that of a robbery, the

employee placed an undisclosed amount of money in a bag to give to the suspect. The suspect then demanded the employee walk to the next bank teller to get more money. During that moment, a bank teller was finishing up a large cash deposit for a 54-year-old woman that was standing at the counter. The suspect began to count down loudly, so the woman fled the bank out of fear for her safety and left her large cash deposit behind on the counter. The suspect observed the money, reached over the counter, and stole an undisclosed amount of cash.

The suspect fled the bank on foot and was last seen traveling east through the parking lot towards Bear Christiana Road. Fortunately, no one was injured during this incident. The suspect is reportedly a black male, standing at around 5'8" with an average build, and is believed to be approximately 30 years of age. No additional information about the suspect is available at this time.

Delaware State Police Troop 2 Criminal Investigations Unit is still investigating this incident. Detectives are asking anyone with information regarding this case to contact Detective R. Kirchenbauer by calling (302) 365-8428. 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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The following individual is **not wanted**. This is a Homeless [Sex Offender](#) Public Notification. If you have information that the listed individual is occupying a residence, please call 302-672-5306. Information may also be provided by contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-847-3333.



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ALLEN L BURTON



Risk Level:	Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)	Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
Verified On:	June 13, 2023	Phone:	(302) 659-2341
Registered Since:	December 5, 2018	Address:	PO BOX 430 Dover, DE 19903
In Prison:	No		
Convicted Out of State:	No		
Repeat Offender:	No		
Date of Birth:	February 01, 1989 (age 34)	Height:	5' 3"
Gender:	Male	Weight:	220 LBS
Race:	Black/African American	Hair Color:	BLACK
Skin Tone:	DARK BROWN	Eye Color:	Brown

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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, they are asked to call 302-672-5306. Information may also be provided by contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-847-3333.

CUSTIS , JEREL



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Registration Information (**Homeless**)

Risk Level:	Tier 3 (High Risk)
Verified On:	May 18, 2023
Registered Since:	February 19, 2003
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

FRANKLIN , MARK D



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Registration Information (**Homeless**)

Risk Level:	Tier 3 (High Risk)
Verified On:	February 13, 2018
Registered Since:	December 29, 2014
In Prison:	No
Convicted Out of State:	No
Repeat Offender:	No

Police Agency of Jurisdiction

Police Agency:	DSP HEADQUARTERS
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Governor's Task Force Arrests Man Following Probation & Parole Search

The Delaware State Police have arrested 32-year-old **Jerron Henry** of Laurel, Delaware on several gun and drug charges following an investigation that began yesterday morning.

On June 15, 2023, at approximately 9:00 a.m., a probation officer from Probation & Parole informed the Sussex County Governor's Task Force that probationer Jerron Henry was found to be in possession of approximately 9.92 grams of crack cocaine during an office visit. Detectives from the Governor's Task Force responded to Henry's residence on the 13000 block of Shiloh Church Road in Laurel to assist Probation & Parole officers while they conducted an administrative search. Probation officers located the following during this search:

- Approximately 17,680 baggies containing approximately 123.76 grams of suspected heroin
- Approximately 27.87 grams of crack cocaine
- Approximately 1.15 grams of cocaine
- One dose of Suboxone
- A loaded handgun with an obliterated serial number and accompanying ammunition
- Over \$4,400 in suspected drug proceeds

Detectives also contacted three children in the house, who were turned over to a family member.

Henry, a convicted felon prohibited from possessing firearms and/or ammunition, was taken to Troop 4 and charged with the following crimes:

- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony (Felony)
- Possession of a Controlled Substance in a Tier 3 Quantity (Felony) – 2 counts
- Possession With Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance in a Tier 3 Quantity (Felony) – 2 counts
- Possession of a Firearm by a Person Prohibited (Felony)
- Possession of Ammunition by a Person Prohibited (Felony)
- Possession With Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance (Felony)
- Possession of a Weapon With an Obliterated Serial Number (Felony)
- Endangering the Welfare of a Child – 3 counts
- Possession of a Controlled Substance
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – 3 counts

Henry was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on \$188,500 cash bond.

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Troopers Arrest Man Found With Stolen Property

The Delaware State Police arrested 41-year-old **Christopher Lyons** of New Castle, Delaware for possessing stolen property after troopers were called to a campsite yesterday afternoon.

On June 14, 2023, at approximately 12:54 p.m., troopers responded to Holly Lake Campground in Millsboro to check on the welfare of a man who was found slumped over the steering wheel of a pickup truck. Troopers contacted Christopher Lyons in a maroon Ford F-150 and saw an empty heroin baggie on his shorts. Lyons was subsequently taken into custody without incident. Troopers searched the F-150 and found a backpack blower and a power saw in the trunk bed. The blower was reported stolen by the Kennesaw Police Department in Georgia in May 2023, and the power saw was reported stolen by the Duncanville Police Department in Texas in October 2020.

Troopers also discovered that the Ford F-150 was reported stolen by the New Castle County Police Department in August 2022. Additionally, Lyons was wanted by both Troop 1 and the Wilmington Police Department for Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle.

Lyons was taken to Troop 7 and charged with the following crimes:

- Receiving Stolen Property Over \$1,500 (Felony)
- Receiving Stolen Property Under \$1,500 – 2 counts
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Lyons was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on \$2,050 cash and \$4,000 secured bonds.

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State Police Investigating Fatal Single-Car Crash

The Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal collision that occurred in the Camden-Wyoming area last night that left one man dead.

On June 14, 2023, at approximately 9:21 p.m., a 2003 Chevrolet Malibu was traveling eastbound on Willow Grove Road

approaching the intersection at Fivefoot Prong Lane at a high rate of speed. As he approached a slight curve in the road, the driver lost control of the car and exited the south (right) side of the roadway. The Malibu traveled for approximately 300 feet before it struck a tree and caught fire.

The driver of the Malibu has yet to be identified and was pronounced dead at the scene. There were no passengers in the car, and no other vehicles were involved in the collision. Willow Grove Road was closed for approximately four hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

The Delaware State Police Troop 3 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this incident. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this collision to please contact Sergeant A. Mitchell by calling 302-697-4454. 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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Troopers Arrest Man With Stolen Gun Following Pursuit

The Delaware State Police arrested 19-year-old **Cedric Smith** of Seaford, Delaware on gun charges following a pursuit that occurred earlier this morning in Seaford.

On June 15, 2023, at approximately 12:42 a.m., a trooper on patrol saw a grey Ford Crown Victoria turn right onto Old Furnace Road from eastbound Middleford Road without stopping at the posted stop sign. The trooper attempted to stop the Ford, but the driver began fleeing from the area at a high rate of speed. The Ford skidded into a traffic sign and came to a stop on Old Furnace Road at Cokesbury Road. The driver, identified as Cedric Smith, was taken into custody without further incident. Troopers searched the car and found a loaded handgun that was reported stolen by Troop 5 in February 2023.

Smith was taken to Troop 5 and charged with the following offenses:

- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony (Felony)
- Possession of a Firearm by Person Under 21 (Felony)
- Possession of Ammunition by Person Under 21 (Felony)
- Receiving a Stolen Firearm (Felony)
- Disregarding a Police Officer Signal (Felony)
- Numerous traffic violations

Smith was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 3 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on \$16,605 cash bond.

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State Police Arrest Two Suspects in Shooting

The Delaware State Police have arrested 61-year-old **Howard Hampton** of Magnolia, Delaware and 48-year-old **Cheryl Brown** of Magnolia, Delaware for a shooting that occurred yesterday evening.

On June 13, 2023, at approximately 6:45 p.m., troopers responded to the 100 block of Moores Drive in Magnolia regarding a shooting that had just occurred. Troopers discovered that a 45-year-old man and a 41-year-old woman had been walking on Moores Drive when a white pickup truck began approaching them. The front seat passenger shot at the couple several times as the truck drove by and fled the scene. Neither the man nor the woman was struck or injured by gunfire.

A trooper located the white pickup on Millchop Lane and

stopped the truck as it pulled into a residential driveway. The trooper contacted the passenger, identified as Howard Hampton, and attempted to handcuff him, but Hampton pulled away and resisted arrest. Hampton was eventually detained and the driver, identified as Cheryl Brown, was also taken into custody. The gun used in the shooting was not recovered.

Both Hampton, a convicted felon prohibited from possessing firearms and/or ammunition, and Brown were taken to Troop 3, where they were charged with the following crimes:

Howard Hampton:

- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony (Felony)
- Possession of a Firearm by a Person Prohibited (Felony)
- Possession of Ammunition by a Person Prohibited (Felony)
- Reckless Endangering First Degree (Felony) – 2 counts
- Resisting Arrest

Hampton was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 7 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on \$40,100 cash bond.

Cheryl Brown:

- Conspiracy Second Degree (Felony)

Brown was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court 7 and released on her own recognizance.

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Update- Victim Identified

Delaware State Police Investigating Single Vehicle Fatal Collision

The Delaware State Police have identified the man who died in a fatal motor vehicle crash on June 11, 2023, in the Millsboro area as **Marco Flores-Velasquez**, 26, of Georgetown, Delaware.

[Delaware State Police Investigating Single Vehicle Fatal Collision](#)

The Delaware State Police Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this collision. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this collision to please contact Sergeant J. Burns by calling 302-703-3269. 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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