

Detectives Investigating Parking Lot Armed Robbery

The Delaware State Police are investigating an armed robbery that occurred in the Beaver Brook Plaza parking lot in New Castle on Monday afternoon.

On February 6, 2023, at approximately 4:30 p.m., a 17-year-old male was walking through the Beaver Brook Plaza parking lot near the Dollar Tree when he was approached by four unknown teenagers. The teenage suspects accosted the victim and demanded property from him. One of the teens pointed a handgun at the victim, who complied with the group's demands. The four suspects then ran away towards an unknown location. The 17-year-old was not injured.

The Delaware State Police Troop 2 Criminal Investigations Unit continues to investigate this case. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this incident to contact Detective J. Dempsey by calling 302-365-8472. 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 Investigate the Discharge of a Gun During High School Basketball Game

Delaware State Police are investigating the discharge of a gun inside the Appoquinimink High School that occurred Monday night during a high school basketball game.

On February 6, 2023, at approximately 7:16 p.m., troopers responded to Appoquinimink High School, located at 1080 Bunker Hill Road, Middletown, for a report of a shot fired. Two troopers who were working extra duty for a basketball game at the school responded to a hallway outside of the gymnasium where a fight had just occurred. Further investigation revealed that a handgun fell to the ground during a large fight. The gun was stepped on during the physical altercation causing the gun to discharge and strike a wall. Subsequently, the handgun was recovered in the hallway. There were no injuries as a result of the discharged firearm.

The suspects were last observed running from the school towards the football stadium. The number of suspects and their involvement is still being determined.

The Delaware State Police Troop 2 Criminal Investigation Unit continues to investigate this case. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this incident to please contact Detective B. Timmons by calling 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 Fatal Pedestrian Collision

The Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal collision involving a pedestrian that occurred in a Millsboro parking lot on Friday afternoon.

On February 3, 2023, at approximately 12:44 p.m., a white 2013 Jeep Wrangler had come to stop at a stop sign in the parking lot of the Back Bay Shopping Center, located at the intersection of John J. Williams Highway and Bay Farm Road. At this time, a woman walked in front of the Jeep just as the driver began moving forward from the stop sign. As a result, the front of the Jeep struck the woman at a very low speed, causing the victim to fall to the ground.

The driver of the Jeep, a 60-year-old woman from Millsboro, Delaware, was not injured. The pedestrian who was struck, a 62-year-old woman from Georgetown, Delaware, was taken to an

area hospital via helicopter for serious injuries. She later died on the evening of February 5, 2023. Identification of the victim is pending notification to her family and relatives.

No other vehicles were involved in this crash. No roadways were closed as a result of the collision.

The Delaware State Police Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this incident. 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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Update- Victim Identified
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Investigating Serious Injury Crash into a Residence

The Delaware State Police have identified the victim involved in a serious crash that turned fatal in the Milton area on February 4, 2023, as **Charles Maxwell**, 20, of Milton, Delaware. Maxwell was later pronounced deceased on February 4, 2023 at the hospital.

[Delaware State Police Investigating Serious Injury Crash into a Residence](#)

The Delaware State Police Troop-7 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this incident. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this collision to please contact Corporal/1 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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Update – Victim Identified
Delaware State Police

Investigating Fatal Motor Vehicle Collision

The Delaware State Police have identified the victim who died in a fatal accident that occurred in Newark on February 3, 2023, as Patrick Marchioni, 57, of Newark, Delaware.

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

The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this incident. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this collision to please contact Trooper B. Harris by calling 302-633-5014. 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 Two-Vehicle Fatal Collision

Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle collision that occurred Friday night in the Wilmington area.

On February 3, 2023, at approximately 8:54 p.m., a 2016 silver Toyota Corolla was traveling eastbound in the left lane of West Newport Pike (Route 4) approaching Gregg Avenue. At the time, a 2006 white Buick Rendezvous was traveling westbound in the left lane of Route 4, when it crossed over into oncoming traffic. The two vehicles collided in a head-on impact. The Toyota rotated in a clockwise direction after impact where it came to final rest in the left lane of Route 4 westbound. The Buick came to final rest in the left lane of Route 4 eastbound.

The 29-year-old female operator of the Toyota from Wilmington, DE, who was 8 months pregnant was transported to an area hospital, in critical condition. The baby was delivered while at the hospital and is also in critical condition. There were two other passengers in the vehicle, a 6-year-old girl and a 4-year-old boy. The 6-year-old was transported to an area hospital where she was pronounced deceased. Identification of the victim is pending notification to the next of kin. The 4-year-old was transported to an area hospital for non-life-threatening injuries. All occupants in the Toyota were properly restrained.

The 19-year-old female operator of the Buick from Wilmington, DE, who was properly restrained was transported to an area hospital for non-life-threatening injuries. Impairment appears to be a factor in the collision and charges will be forthcoming.

Route 4 was closed in both directions for approximately 4 hours.



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⚠️ Traffic Alert, Wilmington ⚠️ Delaware State Police are on the scene of a fatal motor vehicle collision on West Newport Pike at Gregg Avenue in the Wilmington area. The roadway will be closed for an extended period of time, avoid the area.

The Delaware State Police Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this incident. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this collision to please contact Sergeant J. Jefferson by calling 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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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 subjects, they are asked to call

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

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Homeless Sex Offender Notification

The following people are **not wanted**. This is a Homeless [Sex Offender](#) Public Notification. If you have information that the listed people are 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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JOHN L FRANKS-COOPER



Risk Level: Tier 3 (High Risk)
Verified On: February 1, 2023
Registered Since: December 4, 2017
In Prison: No
Convicted Out of State: No
Repeat Offender: No

Police Agency: DSP HEADQUARTERS
Phone: (302) 659-2341
Address: PO BOX 430
 Dover, DE 19903

Date of Birth: December 18, 1991 (age 31)
Gender: Male
Race: Black/African American
Skin Tone: MEDIUM BROWN

Height: 5' 6"
Weight: 190 LBS
Hair Color: BLACK
Eye Color: Brown

Aliases

JOHN F COOPER
 JOHN L FRANKS JR
 JOHN L FRANKS JR
 JOHN FRANKS-COOPER

Scars, Marks, & Tattoos

TAT R ARM Tattoo Arm, Right
 TAT RF ARM

Addresses

Type	Address	County	Development/Employer
Home	4 SPIRNG DR/700 PLAZA DR NEWARK, DE 19702	NewCastle	Homeless
Work	(no address on file)	Other	Unemployed
School	(no address on file)	Other	Not Attending School

Vehicles

Type	Make/Model/Color	State	Registration
Auto	Ford TAURUS Gray	DE	932667

Convictions

Adjudication Date	State	Statute	Description	Victim Age
September 06, 2017	DE	DE-11-0769-00a1-F-D	Unlawful Sexual Contact First Degree Physical Injury During USC 3rd	18+yr



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JOHN A COURTNEY



Risk Level: Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On: February 1, 2023
Registered Since: January 18, 2014
In Prison: No
Convicted Out of State: No
Repeat Offender: No

Police Agency: DSP HEADQUARTERS
Phone: (302) 659-2341
Address: PO BOX 430
 Dover, DE 19903

Date of Birth: September 13, 1986 (age 36)
Gender: Male
Race: WHITE
Skin Tone: FAIR

Height: 5' 9"
Weight: 200 LBS
Hair Color: BROWN
Eye Color: Brown

Aliases

JOHN COURTNEY

Scars, Marks, & Tattoos

(no scars, marks, or tattoos on file)

Addresses

Type	Address	County	Development/Employer
Home	INTERFAITH, CODE PURPLES, HOPE DOVER, DE 19901	Kent	Homeless
Work	(no address on file)	Other	Unemployed
School	(no address on file)	Other	Not Attending School

Vehicles

(no vehicles on file)

Convictions

Adjudication Date	State	Statute	Description	Victim Age
July 25, 2013	DE	DE-11-0770-0a3a-F-C	Rape Fourth Degree Sexual Penetration of Another Person Without Consent	18+yr



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BRANDON PETERSON



Risk Level: Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On: January 31, 2023
Registered Since: July 28, 2022
In Prison: No
Convicted Out of State: No
Repeat Offender: No

Police Agency: DSP HEADQUARTERS
Phone: (302) 659-2341
Address: PO BOX 430
 Dover, DE 19903

Date of Birth: June 23, 1998 (age 24) **Height:** 6' 1"
Gender: Male **Weight:** 180 LBS
Race: Black/African American **Hair Color:** BLOND OR STRAWBERRY
Skin Tone: LIGHT BROWN **Eye Color:** Hazel

Aliases

(no aliases on file)

Scars, Marks, & Tattoos

TAT BACK
 TAT CHEST
 TAT R WRS

Addresses

Type	Address	County	Development/Employer
Home	LIVING IN LISTED VEHICLE ON FO DOVER, DE 19904	Kent	Homeless
Work	805 Forest ST DOVER, DE 19904	Kent	WESTSIDE CARWASH
School	(no address on file)	Other	Not Attending School

Vehicles

Type	Make/Model/Color	State	Registration
Auto	Acura MDK Silver (Aluminum)	DE	PC186630

Convictions

Adjudication Date	State	Statute	Description	Victim Age
August 04, 2017	DE	DE-11-0771-0a2b-F-B	Rape Third Degree Sexual Penetration Victim Under 16 Years Old	Society

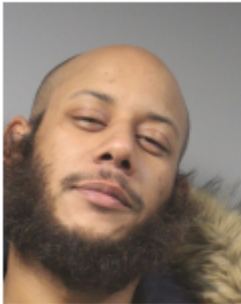


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ERIC M PEREZ



Risk Level: Tier 2 (Moderate Risk)
Verified On: January 30, 2023
Registered Since: March 13, 2020
In Prison: No
Convicted Out of State: No
Repeat Offender: No

Police Agency: DSP HEADQUARTERS
Phone: (302) 659-2341
Address: PO BOX 430
 Dover, DE 19903

Date of Birth: December 22, 1987 (age 35)
Gender: Male
Race: WHITE
Skin Tone: MEDIUM

Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 191 LBS
Hair Color: BLACK
Eye Color: Brown

Aliases

ERIC PEREZ

Scars, Marks, & Tattoos

TAT L LEG Tattoo Leg, Left
 TAT L THGH Tattoo Thigh, Left
 TAT R LEG Tattoo Leg, Right

Addresses

Type	Address	County	Development/Employer
Home	2203 N DUPONT HWY NEW CASTLE, DE 19720	NewCastle	Homeless
Work	2203 N DuPont HWY NEW CASTLE, DE 19720	NewCastle	ACCESS LABOR
School	(no address on file)	Other	Not Attending School

Vehicles

Type	Make/Model/Color	State	Registration
Auto	Toyota COR Gray	DE	457895

Convictions

Adjudication Date	State	Statute	Description	Victim Age
January 02, 2020	DE	DE-11-0770-00a2-F-C	Rape Fourth Degree Sexual Intercourse Victim Less Than 18 Years Old	16-17yr

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Delaware State Police Investigating Serious Injury Crash into a Residence

Delaware State Police are investigating a serious injury crash into a residence that occurred early this morning in the Milton area.

On February 4, 2023, at approximately 12:30 a.m., a 2003 Mercedes-Benz E-320, operated by a 20-year-old male, was traveling southbound on Harbeson Road, just north of Diamond Farm Road at a high rate of speed. As the Mercedes approached a gradual right curve in the roadway, it failed to negotiate it and exited the east edge of Harbeson Road. The Mercedes continued traveling in a southeasterly direction striking a stop sign at the intersection of Diamond Farm Road and Harbeson Road. The Mercedes continued to travel across Diamond Farm Road and into the yard of a private residence located on the 17000 block of Harbeson Road. The Mercedes then overturned continuously until striking the attached garage of the residence. The Mercedes traveled through the exterior walls of the garage and came to a final rest, upright on top of the front of a parked 2019 Toyota 4-Runner.

The 20-year-old male operator of the Mercedes from Milton, DE, who was properly restrained was transported to an area hospital in critical condition.

Harbeson Road was closed for approximately 4 hours.

The Delaware State Police Troop-7 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this incident. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this collision to please contact Corporal/1 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 Fatal Motor Vehicle Collision

Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle collision that occurred Friday night in the Newark area.

On February 3, 2023, at approximately 6:46 p.m., a 2014 Cadillac SRX was traveling eastbound on New Linden Hill Road, approaching the intersection of Chadd Road. At the time, a 2015 Toyota Rav-4 was leaving Polly Drummond Shopping Center, attempting to drive southbound through the intersection to Chadd Road. The Toyota entered the intersection and drove directly into the path of travel of the Cadillac. The front of the Cadillac then struck the passenger side of the Toyota.

The 26-year-old male operator of the Cadillac was transported to an area hospital, where he is being treated for his injuries.

The 57-year-old operator of the Toyota from Newark, DE was pronounced deceased at the scene. Identification of the victim is pending notification to the next of kin.

There is no impairment suspected at this time.

New Linden Hill Road at Chadd Road was closed for approximately 4 hours.



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⚠️ Traffic Alert, Newark ⚠️ Delaware State Police are on the scene of a fatal motor vehicle collision on Linden Hill Road at Polly Drummond Road in Newark. The roadway will be closed for an extended period of time, avoid the area.

The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this incident. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this collision to please contact Trooper B. Harris by calling 302-633-5014. 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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