UPDATE Delaware State Police Conducting Dewey Beach Police Officer Involved Shooting

Dewey Beach, DE– Delaware State Police are conducting a Dewey Beach Police Officer-involved shooting, which resulted in the death of a 21-year-old Milford man.

At the request of the Dewey Beach Police Department, this active and ongoing investigation is being conducted by the Delaware State Police Homicide Unit and Delaware Department of Justice, Division of Civil Rights and Public Trust.

On March 19, 2022, at approximately 1:17 a.m., officers with the Dewey Beach Police Department were notified by employees of the Starboard Restaurant located at 2009 Coastal Hwy of a male patron exiting the establishment with a gun. Officers attempted to contact the individual on the sidewalk out front of the business, but he fled on foot southbound on Coastal Hwy. Officers gave chase for approximately three blocks but lost sight of him. A search was conducted in the area by officers, but they were unsuccessful in locating the subject.

At approximately 2:23 a.m., the Dewey Beach Police Department 9-1-1 Center received a call from an employee of Starboard advising the suspect had returned to the business and was located by staff inside a restricted employee-only area. Two Dewey Beach Police Officers responded and located the male who was now inside the outdoor tent area of the business. When officers attempted to contact the male, he fled from the business northbound on Coastal Hwy before running westbound on Saulsbury St and into a nearby alleyway. At that time, the pursuing officers located the male, and a single gunshot was

fired by a 1.5-year veteran officer with the Dewey Beach Police Department using the departmental issued firearm. The details surrounding the shooting incident are still in the early stages of the investigation. Once information becomes available, it will be released.

After the male was shot, he fled the area on foot. Responding officers located the male unconscious behind a commercial building in the 2100 block of Coastal Hwy with a single gunshot wound to the upper torso. Also located at the scene was a handgun.

Upon officers locating the unconscious male, they immediately began performing life-saving measures and called for EMS to respond. He was transported by ambulance to Beebe Hospital, where he was pronounced deceased. The Division of Forensic Science will be conducting an autopsy to determine the cause and manner of death.

The Dewey Beach Police Officers involved in this incident were not injured. The officer involved in the shooting is currently placed on standard administrative leave with pay and benefits pending the outcome of this investigation.

The victim was later identified as a 21-year-old male from Milford, DE. Additional information regarding the victim will be provided once proper notification has been made to his family.

The Delaware State Police would like to thank the community for their patience as the investigation is conducted. We recognize this incident is alarming, and we assure you that community safety remains a priority.

The Delaware State Police are asking anyone who may have witnessed this incident or has video surveillance to please contact Sgt. Stephen Yeich with the Delaware State Police Homicide Unit by calling 302-741-2703. Information may also be provided by sending a Private Facebook Message to the **Delaware**

State Police or contacting **Delaware Crime Stoppers** at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.delawarecrimestoppers.com

Delaware State Police Conducting Criminal Investigation- Dewey Beach

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Delaware State Police Conducting Criminal Investigation- Dewey Beach

Dewey Beach- Delaware State Police are currently conducting a criminal investigation on Saulsbury Street, Dewey Beach. As a result, there is an increased police presence in the area. Saulsbury Street in the area of Coastal Highway is currently closed until further notice. This investigation is in the early stages but there is no threat to the safety of the community. Additional information will be released once it becomes available.

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Update-Victim Identified

Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash– Millsboro

Millsboro- Delaware State Police have identified the victim that died in a fatal motor vehicle collision late Tuesday night on eastbound Millsboro Highway (Route 24) in the area of Revel Road as **Micheline Victor, 53, of Salisbury, MD.**

This collision remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit. Anyone who may have witnessed the collision or has any information is asked to contact Corporal/1 Smith at 302-703-3267. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delawarecrimestoppers.com.

Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash– Millsboro

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Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash– Delmar

Delmar– Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle crash that occurred Thursday night at the intersection of Delmar Road and North Spring Hill Road.

On Thursday, March 17, 2022, at approximately 6:03 p.m., a 2004 Ford F250 pickup truck, operated by 22-year-old, **Luke Figgs** of Delmar, DE was traveling southbound on Susan Beach Road. The Ford stopped at the intersection of Delmar Road for a posted stop sign, intending on continuing south onto N. Spring Hill Road. At this time, a 1999 Honda Accord operated by a 30-year-old female of Mardela Springs, MD was traveling eastbound on Delmar Road approaching the same intersection. The Ford entered the intersection and pulled directly into the path of the Honda, where the front of the Ford struck the front driver side of the Honda. As a result, the Honda rotated counterclockwise off the southeast corner of roadway into the grass, where the passenger side impacted a utility pole. The Ford failed to stop at the scene and began traveling eastbound

on Delmar Road. An officer from Delmar Police Department located the hit and run vehicle on East Pine Street, Delmar, MD, initiated a traffic stop and took the operator, identified as Luke Figgs into custody without incident.

The 30-year-old operator of the Honda who was properly restrained, was transported by ambulance to Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury, MD where she succumbed to injuries and was pronounced deceased. Identification of the victim is pending notification to the next of kin. There were also two passengers ages 4 and 29 inside of the Honda who were transported to Peninsula Regional Medical Center and treated for minor injuries.

Luke Figgs, the operator of the Ford was not injured. Figgs was committed to the Wicomico County Detention Center on DUI and other traffic related charges in Maryland. There is an active warrant in Delaware for Vehicular Homicide (Felony), Vehicular Assault 2nd (Felony) -2 counts, and numerous other traffic related charges. Figgs will be arraigned on the charges above upon his extradition back to Delaware.

The roadway was closed for approximately 6 hours while the investigation was completed, and the roadway was cleared.

This collision remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit. Anyone who may have witnessed the collision or has any information is asked to contact Corporal/3 Argo at 302-703-3264. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delawarecrimestoppers.com.

Traffic Advisory Delaware State Police Investigating Serious Crash- Delmar

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Troopers Seek Public's Assistance Locating Wanted Sussex County Man

Sussex County, DE- Delaware State Troopers seek the public's assistance locating **Durron E. Jones II, 30, of Sussex County.**

Durron is currently wanted for multiple warrants, capias, and Violation of Probation. He is described as a black male,

approximately 6’2″, and weighs approximately 180 lbs. Durron may be in the Dagsboro, Seaford, Bridgeville, or Delmar area.

Attempts to locate Durron have been unsuccessful, and troopers are asking anyone who has information regarding his whereabouts to contact the Troop 4 Governor’s Task Force by calling **302.752.3822.** Information may also be provided by sending a Private Facebook Message to the **Delaware State Police** or contacting **Delaware Crime Stoppers** at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.delawarecrimestoppers.com

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Traffic Advisory Delaware State Police Investigating Serious Crash- Delmar

Delmar – Delaware State Police are on the scene of a serious motor vehicle crash that occurred at approximately 6:04 p.m. tonight, March 17, 2022, at the intersection of Delmar Road and North Spring Hill Road.

As a result of the crash, Delmar Road is closed for emergency response vehicles on scene. Motorists are advised to avoid the area and seek alternate routes of travel. The road closure is anticipated to be lengthy, with no estimated time for a re-opening.

For updated road closure information and traffic conditions log on to:

http://www.deldot.gov/Traffic/travel_advisory/index.shtml#advisories

The investigation is in the early stages with further details being released as they become available.

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UPDATE Delaware State

Police Conducting Death Investigation

Seaford, DE- On March 16, 2022, at approximately 6:50 a.m., troopers were dispatched to a vehicle fire on a property in the 10000 block of Airport Road. When troopers arrived, they observed a vehicle fully engulfed in flames, and the body of a male was located in a nearby ditch. The victim, a 54-year-old male from Seaford, was pronounced deceased at the scene and was turned over to the Division of Forensic Science for an autopsy to be performed.

The Delaware State Police Homicide Unit, in conjunction with the Division of Forensic Science, conducted an investigation that revealed there was no sign of foul play. Due to the sensitivity of this case, no further information will be provided.

Delaware State Police Conducting Death Investigation

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Delaware State Police Conducting Death Investigation

Seaford, DE- The Delaware State Police Homicide Unit is currently conducting a Death Investigation that occurred on March 16, 2022. At 6:50 a.m., Troopers responded to the report of a vehicle fire on a property in the 10000 block of Airport Road in Seaford. Upon arrival, they observed a vehicle fully engulfed in flames. Troopers located the body of a male in a nearby ditch. The victim, a 54 year old male from Seaford, was pronounced dead at the scene. The victim was turned over to the Division of Forensic Science for an autopsy. The name of the victim is being withheld pending next of kin notification.
If you have any information regarding this incident, please contact Detective Daniel Grassi at (302) 365-8441 or daniel.grassi@delaware.gov. Information may also be provided by sending a private message through Facebook Messenger to the Delaware State Police.
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Delaware State Police

Investigating Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash– Millsboro

Millsboro– Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle crash that occurred late Tuesday night on eastbound Millsboro Highway (Route 24) in the area of Revel Road.

On Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at approximately 11:21 p.m., a 2004 Ford Explorer operated by a 26-year-old female of Millsboro was traveling eastbound on Millsboro Highway (Route 24) just west of Revel Road. At this time, a 2006 Honda CRV operated by a 53-year-old female of Salisbury, MD was traveling westbound on Millsboro Highway in the same area. While the Ford was traveling eastbound its right side struck a deer within the lane of travel. After impact with the deer, the Ford continued eastbound, but for unknown reasons crossed over the center line. The front of the Ford then struck the front of the Honda in the westbound lane of travel. After impact, the Ford rotated approximately 180 degrees before coming to rest in the eastbound lane of travel. The Honda was re-directed off the north edge of the roadway where it came to rest in an open field.

The 26-year-old operator of the Ford who not restrained was transported to Beebe Hospital with minor injuries.

The 53-year-old operator of the Honda who was properly restrained, was pronounced deceased at the scene of the collision. Identification of the victim is pending notification to the next of kin.

The roadway was closed for approximately 4 hours while the investigation was completed, and the roadway was cleared.

This collision remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit. Anyone who

may have witnessed the collision or has any information is asked to contact Corporal/1 Smith at 302-703-3267. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delawarecrimestoppers.com.

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UPDATE SUNDAY MORNING CRIME SPREE INVESTIGATION CONTINUES AND TROOPERS SEEK PUBLIC'S HELP

New Castle, DE- The Delaware State Police continue their investigation into an early Sunday morning crime spree and are asking for the public's help.

On March 13, 2022, **Brittallia Semaan, 30, of New Castle**, was arrested for two carjacking's, kidnapping, and multiple collisions, including a fatal pedestrian crash. As this investigation continues, detectives are seeking information from anyone who may have been in or around the SR9 corridor between 8:45 a.m.- 9:30 a.m., with potential videos, witness information, or were potential victims to contact Detective Bridget Harris with the Delaware State Police Troop 2 Criminal Investigations Unit by calling 302-365-8410. Information may also be provided by sending a Private Facebook Message to the **Delaware State Police** or contacting **Delaware Crime Stoppers** at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.delawarecrimestoppers.com

UPDATE #3 Suspect Charged with Kidnapping, Carjackings, Fatal Pedestrian Crash and Crashes

UPDATE #2 Investigation Continues into Carjackings and Fatal Pedestrian Crash

*UPDATE- Delaware State Police Investigate Fatal Pedestrian Collision Caused by Carjacking Suspect

Traffic Advisory- Multiple Roadways in New Castle Closed for Crashes

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