

Seaford Man Arrested on Criminal and Traffic Charges following Traffic Stop - Seaford

Seaford- 32-year-old **Garland G. Church** of Seaford was arrested by Delaware State Police on September 5, 2020, on Middleford Road for criminal and traffic charges.

At approximately 7:31 p.m., a trooper working patrol in the area of Old Furnace Road and Middleford Road observed a dark-colored Honda passenger car traveling with a fictitious registration plate. A vehicle stop was conducted on the vehicle, and contact was made with the three occupants. Church was identified as the operator, the front-seat passenger was a 38-year-old female of Seaford, and a male back seat passenger. Through the investigation, troopers discovered Church had a folding knife concealed on his waistband with a blade greater than three inches. Before the vehicle was towed because it was unregistered and had fictitious tags, an inventory search was conducted. During the search, drug paraphernalia and a large knife was located. Also located in the front seat passenger's purse was additional drug paraphernalia. A computer search revealed Church is a person prohibited from carrying a deadly weapon.

Church was taken into custody without incident and transported to Troop 5 where he was charged with the following crimes:

- Possession of a Deadly Weapon by Person Prohibited (2 counts-felony)
- Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon (felony)
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

- Failure to have Insurance in Possession
- Operation of Unregistered Motor Vehicle
- Fictitious Tags
- Failure to have Registration in Possession
- Failure to have License in Possession

Church was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #3 and released on his own recognizance.

The front seat passenger was taken into custody without incident and transported to Troop 5 where she was charged with two counts of possession of drug paraphernalia. She was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #3 and released on her own recognizance.

The back seat passenger was not charged.

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Delaware State Police Investigating Single Vehicle Fatal Crash- Bridgeville

Bridgeville- Delaware State Police are investigating a single-vehicle fatal crash on Seashore Highway (SR 18) east of Oak Road.

On September 5, 2020, at approximately 3:36 p.m., a 2002 Volkswagen Jetta operated by a 34-year-old male from Milford, was traveling eastbound on Seashore Highway (SR 18), attempting to pass a slower vehicle directly in front of him. As the operator changed into the westbound lane to start passing the vehicle, he observed another vehicle traveling westbound. To avoid colliding with the other vehicle in the westbound lane, the operator swerved back into the eastbound lane, nearly striking the vehicle he intended to pass. As a result, the operator failed to maintain his lane and exited the south edge of the roadway, where he rolled over multiple times before coming to rest, upright in a cornfield.

The operator of the vehicle was not properly restrained and was transported to an area hospital where he was pronounced deceased shortly after arriving. Identification is pending notification of next to kin.

Seashore Highway was closed for approximately 3 hours during the investigation and clean- up.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding the crash is asked to contact Detective A. Mitchell of the Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit by calling 302-644-5020.

Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

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Laurel Man Arrested on Felony Criminal Charges Following Road Rage Incident- Laurel

Laurel- Delaware State Police have arrested 45-year-old **Eric Bailey** of Laurel on felony criminal charges following a road rage incident.

On September 4, 2020, at approximately 7:30 p.m., troopers responded to Tracy Circle and Hastings Drive in Laurel for a suspicious vehicle in the roadway with subjects fighting. Through investigative measures, troopers determined Bailey and the 31-year-old male victim from Salisbury, MD, were operating their vehicles through Laurel. When they arrived at Tracey Circle and Hastings Drive, Bailey and the victim exited their cars, and a physical altercation ensued. During the incident, Bailey stabbed the victim with a knife in his lower extremity. After the altercation, the victim and passenger not involved with the incident left the scene and responded to an area hospital for treatment.

Bailey responded to Troop 5 where he was arrested and charged with the following crimes:

- Assault 1st Degree (Felony)
- Possession of a Deadly Weapon during the Commission of a Felony (Felony)

Bailey was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #3 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on \$40,000 secured bond.

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***UPDATE* Delaware State
Police Investigating Fatal**

Pedestrian Crash- Laurel

Laurel- Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal pedestrian crash that occurred on September 4, 2020, at approximately 7:44 p.m., northbound on Sussex Highway north of County Seat Highway, Laurel.

A 2013 Ford Flex operated by a 33-year-old female from Greenwood, was traveling northbound on Sussex Highway in the left travel lane north of County Seat Highway. A 63-year-old female from Cliffside Park, NJ, was on foot attempting to cross Sussex Highway in a westerly direction, directly in the path of the Ford Flex. The operator was unable to avoid the pedestrian and the front right bumper struck her within the left travel lane. After the impact, the operator of the vehicle came to rest on the northbound shoulder of Sussex Highway.

The operator of the vehicle was not injured during the collision. The pedestrian was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The northbound lanes of Sussex Highway were closed for approximately three(3) hours while the crash was investigated and cleared.

Identification is pending notification of next to kin.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding the crash is asked to contact Detective. K. Argo of the Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit by calling 302-644-5020.

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[*Traffic Advisory* Delaware State Police Investigating Serious Crash- Laurel](#)

***Traffic Advisory* Delaware State Police Investigating Serious Crash- Laurel**

Laurel – Delaware State Police are on the scene of a serious motor vehicle crash that occurred at approximately 7:45 p.m., Friday, September 4, 2020, on Sussex Highway in the area of County Seat Highway.

As a result of the crash, Sussex Highway northbound in the area of County Seat Highway is closed. 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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DSP S.O.A.R. Searching for Wanted Sex Offenders- Dover

STRACK , RONALD E



WANTED



Name: JOHNATHAN M AMES
Risk Level: Low Risk (Tier 1)
Birth Date: 05/08/1989
Race: Black/African American
Hair Color: Black
Eye Color: Brown
Aliases: JOHNATHAN AMES
JONATHAN M AMES
JON M AMES 1ST
JON M AMES
JONATHAN MICHAEL AMES

Dover – 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 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 calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com/>

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**Delaware State Police
Investigating Attempted**

Burglary-Dover

Dover- Delaware State Police are investigating an attempted burglary in progress that occurred on September 4, 2020.

At approximately 12:35 a.m., a 35-year-old Dover woman was in her residence in the 3000 block of Forest Avenue, Dover, when she observed an unknown suspect attempting to gain entry into the residence. The suspect was armed with an unknown type of long gun and attempting to kick in the door located on the east side of the residence. The suspect fled on foot after being advised by the resident inside of the home that she was armed.

The suspect was described as a black male approximately 5'6"-5'8", weighing approximately 160-170 lbs., wearing a face covering, dark colored shirt and pants.

No one was injured during this incident and there is no photograph available.

Anyone with information regarding this incident should contact Detective R. Costlow with Delaware State Police Criminal Investigative Unit at 302-697-4454. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

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***UPDATE - Name Released* Troopers Investigating Fatal Pedestrian Accident - New Castle**

New Castle— Delaware State Police have identified the name of the individual who died in a crash on September 2, 2020, on Christiana Road (Route 273) entering the right turn lane for the ramp to Delaware State Route 1 northbound, as 36-year-old **Agustin Garcia Maldonado** of New Castle,

DE. Maldonado was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The crash continues to remain under investigation by the Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit.

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Back to School Backpack Deployment

This week the Delaware State Police, with the support of the Delaware State Troopers Association (DSTA), and in conjunction with the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement (NOBLE), New Castle County Police Department, Delaware State Police Credit Union, Ballard's Reading Buddies, and Keene Elementary School over 500 backpacks filled with school supplies were distributed to children in need.

Thank you to all who donated and the volunteers who gave their time to make this

year's Backpack Deployment such a huge success!



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