

# **\*TRAFFIC ADVISORY-Newark\***

## **Troopers on Scene of Serious Motor Vehicle Crash, E. Chestnut Hill Rd. in the area of Todd Estates**

**Newark** – The Delaware State Police are on scene of a motor vehicle crash that occurred at approximately 6:17 a.m. this morning, Friday March 20, 2020 on E. Chestnut Hill Rd. (Rt. 4) at Pearson Dr., in the area of Todd Estates, Newark.

As a result of the crash traffic both eastbound and westbound E. Chestnut Hill Rd. has been reduced to one lane. Traffic is getting by however motorists are advised to avoid the area and seek alternate routes of travel.

Extreme caution should be used on all roadways as visibility is very poor due to fog. Avoid unnecessary travel until conditions improve.

For updated traffic conditions and road closure information log onto:  
[http://www.deldot.gov/Traffic/travel\\_advisory/index.shtml#advisories](http://www.deldot.gov/Traffic/travel_advisory/index.shtml#advisories)

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## **\*TRAFFIC ADVISORY\* I-95 Northbound Closed at Churchman's Marsh Due To Crash Involving a Tractor Trailer**

*Newark* – The Delaware State Police are on scene of a motor vehicle crash involving a tractor trailer that occurred at approximately 4:42 a.m., this morning, Friday, March 20, 2020, on I-95 northbound in the area of Churchman's marsh, Newark.

As a result of the crash all lanes of I-95 northbound are closed and the closure is expected to be lengthy. Motorists are advised to avoid the area and seek alternate routes of travel.

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## **\*UPDATE\* Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash Involving a Pedestrian – Rt. 40 at Perch Creek**

**Newark** – The Delaware State Police are continuing to investigate a fatal crash involving a pedestrian that occurred at approximately 8:08 p.m., Wednesday, March 18, 2020 on Rt. 40 in the area of Perch Creek, Newark.

The initial investigation has determined that a 2006 Chrysler Sebring, being operated by a 26 year old Bear woman, was travelling westbound on Rt. 40 in the right lane approaching the intersection with Perch Creek Dr. A 2012 Kia Sportage, being operated by a 67 year old Oxford, PA woman was traveling westbound on Rt. 40 in the left lane, slightly behind the Chrysler. Both vehicles were proceeding through the intersection with a green light. A pedestrian began to cross the westbound lanes of Rt. 40 from north to south in the area of the crosswalk located on the west side of the Rt. 40/ Perch Creek Dr. intersection, and walked directly into the path of the Chrysler and was struck. The pedestrian was then thrown into the path of the Kia and struck a second time. Both vehicles came to a controlled stop and remained at the scene.

The pedestrian, a 21 year old New Castle woman, was pronounced deceased at the scene. The investigation determined that she was wearing all dark, non-reflective clothing and was not carrying a light. It was also determined that she was crossing the roadway against the pedestrian crossing signals. Impairment on her behalf is undetermined at this time. Identification is pending notification of next of kin.

Both drivers wear wearing their seatbelts and were not injured. Neither speed nor impairment are contributing factors in their behalves.

Rt. 40 westbound was closed for approximately 2.5 hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

Anyone with information regarding the incident is asked to contact Cpl. J. Breen of the Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit by calling 302-365-8486.

<http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support

and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at [debra.reed@state.de.us](mailto:debra.reed@state.de.us).

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## **\*TRAFFIC ADVISORY\* Rt. 40. Closed at Perch Creek Drive due to a Crash Involving a Pedestrian**

*Newark* – The Delaware State Police are on scene of a motor vehicle crash involving a pedestrian that occurred at approximately 8:08 p.m., Wednesday, March 18, 2020 on westbound Rt. 40 at Perch Creek Drive, Newark.

As a result of the crash all lanes of westbound Rt. 40 are closed. The closure is expected to be lengthy and motorists are advised to seek alternate routes of travel. For updated traffic conditions and road closure information log onto: [http://www.deldot.gov/Traffic/travel\\_advisory/index.shtml#advisories](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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**Troopers On Scene of a  
Barricaded Subject –**

# Middletown

**Middletown** – The Delaware State Police are currently operating at a residence located in the 1900 block of Middleneck Rd., Middletown, in reference to an armed subject, that barricaded himself on the property just after 6:00 a.m., this morning, Tuesday, March 17, 2020.

Affected residences in the adjacent area have been evacuated as a precautionary measure. As a result of the ongoing operation there are the following road closures:

- Middleneck Rd. between Warwick Rd. (DE 299) and Old Telegraph Rd.
- Warwick Rd. (DE 299) between Rt. 301 (Exit 2) and the Maryland line.

Further details regarding the incident will be released as they become available.

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## **\*Update-Victim Identified\* State Police Conducting Death Investigation- Selbyville**

**Selbyville-** The Delaware State Police are releasing the name of the of the victim who was located in a wooded area off of Polybranch Road.

The victim has been identified by the Delaware Division of Forensic Science as **David T. Hickey**, 36, of Laurel, DE.

The cause and manner of death continues to remain under investigation by the Delaware Division of Forensic Science. At this time there does not appear to be any suspicious circumstances related to this death and there is no concern for public safety.

If anyone has information in reference to this case, they are asked to contact, Troop 4, Major Crimes Unit, Detective K. Archer at 302-856-5850. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

[State Police Conducting Death Investigation- Selbyville](#)

[Gold Alert Issued for Missing Laurel Man](#)

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# Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash-Clayton

**Clayton**– The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a crash that has turned fatal.

The crash occurred on March 10, 2020 at approximately 3:54 p.m., when a 2000 GMC Sierra was traveling northbound on Longridge Road south of Jordan Drive, Clayton. A 2011 Mazda 6 was traveling southbound on Longridge Road north of Jordan Drive. The operator of the GMC proceeded to make a left turn onto Jordan Drive and entered the southbound lane of Longridge Road into the path of the Mazda, striking same.

The operator of the GMC, 84-year-old **Richard H. Atkinson** of Townsend, DE was transported to the Bayhealth Kent General Hospital. On March 13, 2020, Atkinson succumbed to his injuries.

The operator of the Mazda, a 29-year-old female from Dover, DE was transported to the Bayhealth Kent General Hospital where she was treated and released with non-life threatening injuries.

The roadway was closed for approximately 1 hour while the crash was investigated and cleared.

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

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assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at [debra.reed@state.de.us](mailto:debra.reed@state.de.us).

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**Delaware State Police  
\*\*\*Cancels\*\*\* the "AMBER  
ALERT" at the request of the  
New Jersey State Police and**

# the Franklin Township Police Department

\*\*\*Update\*\*\*

Missing children found in good condition. The Delaware State Police cancels the Amber Alert at the request of the New Jersey State Police and the Franklin Township Police Department.

[AMBER ALERT ISSUED for Three Missing Children from New Jersey](#)

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## Troopers Investigating Robbery Of Dominos Delivery Driver-Millsboro

*Millsboro*— The Delaware State Police are investigating a robbery of a Dominos Pizza delivery driver that occurred last evening.

The incident occurred on March 14, 2020 at approximately 10:18 p.m., when Troopers responded to the 35000 block of Bay Breeze Lane, Rehoboth Shores, Millsboro, for a report of a robbery. Upon arrival they met with a Dominos Pizza delivery driver, a 56-year-old female who advised that she responded to this location to deliver an order. Upon arrival, the victim was approached from behind and grabbed by two suspects. The

suspects proceeded to take the victim's cell phone, an undisclosed amount of cash, and the victim's vehicle which was later recovered in the pool's parking lot area of Rehoboth Shores. The victim was not injured as a result of this incident.

The suspects were described as a tall male and short a male.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Troop 4, Detective Doughty at 302-752-3794. 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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