

Troopers Investigating Shots Fired Incident – Newark

Newark – The Delaware State Police are investigating a shots fired incident which stemmed from a verbal altercation between two men that took place at a Newark area convenience store, Tuesday evening.

The incident began at approximately 6:27 p.m., Tuesday, April 30, 2019 when two men became engaged in a verbal altercation inside the Royal Farms, located at 1551 Pulaski Hwy. in Newark. The two men then mutually agreed to meet in the Sparrow Run development to engage in a fight. The 35 year old male victim drove to the area of Brookmont Dr. and Flamingo Dr. where he encountered the other man who was accompanied by a group of approximately seven other subjects. Upon the victim exiting his vehicle one of the subjects in the group produced a firearm and fired multiple rounds, one of which struck his vehicle. The victim was able to flee and was not injured as a result of the incident. It was determined that the male subject who was initially involved in the verbal altercation was not the shooter.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Detective G. Biddle of the Troop 2 Major Crimes Unit by calling 302-365-8475.

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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Troopers Investigating Knifepoint Robbery – Newark

Newark (19702) – The Delaware State Police are investigating the knifepoint robbery of a Newark area liquor store in which the clerk was cut by the suspect.

The incident occurred at approximately 6:16 p.m., Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at the Peddlers Liquor Store, located at 10 W. Main St., in Newark. A male suspect confronted the clerk at the sales counter while brandishing a knife and demanded cash.

The clerk refused to comply with the suspects demand and retrieved a baseball bat from behind the counter. The clerk then proceeded to chase the suspect out of the business where a physical altercation took place, which resulted in the clerk being cut by the suspect. The suspect, who did not obtain any property or money, was last seen fleeing the area in a white vehicle which was parked nearby. The clerk was treated on scene for a laceration to his hand.

The suspect was described as a black male, 20-30 years of age, wearing a black hooded sweatshirt and a cloth covering his face.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Detective T. Dukes of the Troop 2 Robbery Unit by calling 302-365-8412.

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Troopers Investigating Serious Crash-Millsboro

Millsboro- The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is currently investigating a serious crash involving a single vehicle that occurred last evening.

The incident occurred on April 30, 2019 at approximately 9:47 p.m., when a 2018 Ford Fiesta was traveling southbound on Mount Joy Road at a high rate of speed. For unknown reasons, the operator failed to maintain control of the vehicle. The Fiesta exited the west edge of Mount Joy Road and entered onto the grass shoulder. Upon exiting the roadway, the Fiesta began rotating when it collided with a utility pole which was broken in half upon impact. Following the impact with the pole, the Fiesta overturned and struck a standing tree before coming to an uncontrolled stop along the west shoulder of Mount Joy Road.

The operator of the Fiesta, a 21-year-old male from Seaford was not properly restrained. He was transported to the Beebe Healthcare Hospital with serious injuries.

A front seat passenger, a 27-year-old male from Millsboro was not properly restrained. He was initially transported to the

Beebe Healthcare Hospital and later transferred to the Christiana Hospital in critical condition.

A rear seat passenger, a 22-year-old female from Millsboro was properly restrained. She was transported to the Beebe Healthcare Hospital in serious condition.

Mount Joy Road was closed for approximately 3 hours while the crash was investigated.

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

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Troopers Investigating Serious Crash Involving a Motorcycle – Wilmington

Wilmington – The Delaware State Police are investigating a serious crash involving a motorcycle that took place at the intersection of Kirkwood Hwy., and Limestone Rd., Tuesday afternoon.

The incident occurred at approximately 2:18 p.m., Tuesday, April 30, 2019 on southbound Limestone Rd. (DE Rt. 7) at the intersection of Kirkwood Hwy. (DE Rt. 2). A 2000 Suzuki GX7 motorcycle, operated by a 28 year old New Castle man, was traveling southbound Limestone Rd. and had just proceeded through the intersection with Kirkwood Hwy. A 2014 Chevy Silverado, operated by a 58 year old Wilmington man, was turning on to southbound Limestone Rd., from Kirkwood Hwy. eastbound and merged in front of the Suzuki. The Suzuki operator lost control while trying to avoid colliding with the Chevy and laid the motorcycle down in the roadway. The initial investigation determined that the vehicles did not collide. The Suzuki came to rest in the roadway and the Chevy came to a stop and remained at the scene.

The operator of the Suzuki was transported to the Christiana Hospital with serious injuries. The driver of the Chevy was not injured.

No citations have been issued at this time.

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Delaware State Police Wreath-Laying Ceremony

Dover, Delaware – Wednesday, May 1, 2019, the Delaware State Police will conduct their annual Police Memorial Service and Wreath-Laying Ceremony at the Delaware State Police Training Academy, located at 1441 North DuPont Highway. The service will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Fellow Troopers, Family members, Relatives, and Friends will

gather to remember those Troopers who have made the "Ultimate Sacrifice" in service to the State of Delaware. Twenty Four, (24) Troopers have lost their lives in the line of duty since 1923.

Governor John C. Carney Jr., Lt. Governor Bethany Hall-Long, Attorney General Kathy Jennings, Secretary Robert M. Coupe, Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Colonel Nathaniel McQueen Jr., Superintendent of the Delaware State Police, Lieutenant Thomas Brackin President of the Delaware State Troopers Association and Mrs. Eleanor Allione will be in attendance and provide remarks.

This event is open to the media.

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Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash-Lincoln

Lincoln- The Delaware State Police have identified the name of the driver who was killed in a single vehicle crash on April 29, 2019 on Johnson Road (CR207) east of Cedar Creek Road (SR30), as 76-year-old **Margaret L. Hughes** of Lincoln.

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

<https://dsp.delaware.gov/2019/04/29/troopers-investigating-fatal-crash-lincoln/>

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Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash-Lincoln

Lincoln- The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal crash involving a single vehicle that occurred this morning.

The incident occurred on April 29, 2019 at approximately 10:26 a.m., when a 2009 Kia Spectra was traveling westbound on Johnson Road (CR207) east of Cedar Creek Road (SR30). For an unknown reason, the operator of the Kia failed to maintain the travel lane and drove off the north edge of the roadway and struck a large standing tree.

The operator, a 76-year-old female of Lincoln was properly restrained. She was transported to the Milford Bayhealth Campus Hospital by ambulance where she was pronounced deceased. Her name is being withheld pending the notification of next of kin.

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

Johnson Road was closed for approximately 1.5 hours while the

Detectives to Arrest After Three Years – Townsend

****Update 2****

After three years, the ongoing Homicide investigation of the Delaware State Police into the shooting death of Joshua James, 28 of Townsend, has led detectives to issue warrants for suspects Jamar L. Waters, 32 of Middletown, Delaware and Sylvester E. Gould Jr., 31 of Newark, Delaware. The indictments are for Murder 1st degree, Conspiracy, Home Invasion, Robbery 1st and two counts of Possession of a Firearm by Person Prohibited and Possession of Firearm During the Commission of a Felony. On April 24, 2019, suspect Sylvester Gould was arrested in Elkton, Maryland where he was being held on an out of state fugitive warrant pending extradition. On Friday, April 26, 2019, Sylvester E. Gould Jr. was extradited back to Delaware. Sylvester E. Gould Jr. was processed at Troop 2 and arraigned before the Superior Court of New Castle County. Gould was committed to the Department of Correction in default of \$1,085,000.00 cash bond. Suspect, Jamar Waters is currently a sentenced inmate at the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center on unrelated charges.

See below for the initial and updated press release:

State Police Detectives Conducting a Homicide Investigation, Townsend

Townsend, DE- The Delaware State Police Homicide Unit is currently conducting an investigation into the shooting death of a male subject that occurred at a Townsend area residence early this morning.

The investigation began this morning, Friday, April 22, 2016, at approximately 3:42 a.m., after troopers were called to respond to a residence located in the 500 block of Dogtown Road, Townsend, for the report of a shooting. Upon their arrival troopers learned that two armed suspects had entered the home and confronted two male residents. It was then that a physical altercation occurred during which time one of the male victims was shot. Both suspects then fled from the residence in an unknown direction.

Emergency Medical Services personnel, who had also responded, performed advanced life saving efforts on the victim; however, he was subsequently pronounced dead at the scene. His body will be turned over to the Division of Forensic Sciences where an autopsy will be performed to determine the manner and cause of death. The name of the victim is being withheld at this time pending the notification of his next of kin. The second male victim suffered minor injuries and was treated at the scene.

The Delaware State Police Homicide Unit has responded to the scene and has assumed the investigation which includes conducting multiple interviews and collecting evidence. The investigation is in its early stages and so as to not jeopardize the investigation, specific details will not be released at this time.

If anyone has any information in reference to this incident they are asked to contact Detective Mark Csapo at 302-698-8420. Information may also be provided by calling [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at www.tipsubmit.com, or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword "DSP."

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Troopers Conducting Homicide Investigation-Townsend

Townsend, DE- The Delaware State Police Homicide Unit has identified the 28 year old Townsend, DE man who was shot and killed at a residence located in the 500 block of Dogtown Road, Townsend on Friday, April 22, 2016 as Joshua James.

The investigation into this incident by the Delaware State Police is on-going. Further information will be released when it becomes available.

If anyone has any information in reference to this incident, they are asked to contact Detective M. Ryde at 302-698-8557. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com, or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword "DSP."

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Troopers Investigating Serious Crash – Rehoboth Beach

Rehoboth Beach, Delaware – The Delaware State Police are investigating a serious crash that occurred late last night.

The incident occurred at approximately 10:54 p.m. on Friday, April 26, 2019 as a 2018 Kenworth T880 truck tractor hauling a tanker trailer, operated by a 48-year-old Georgetown man was traveling southbound on Coastal Highway, in the right travel lane approaching the intersection of Miller Road. The intersection is controlled by a traffic signal which was green for southbound traffic. A 2000 Ford Ranger pickup, operated by a 63-year-old man of Lewes, was traveling eastbound on Miller Road and stopped for a red traffic signal located at the intersection of Coastal Highway. For unknown reasons the operator of the Ford Ranger pickup entered into the intersection directly into the path of the truck tractor. The operator of the truck was unable to avoid a collision and the front bumper of the truck impacted the left side of pickup truck in the right travel lane of southbound Coastal Highway. After impact, the Ranger pickup truck traveled in a southwesterly direction, while rotating clockwise where it exited the roadway and came to an uncontrolled stop partially on the sidewalk along the west edge of the highway. Following the impact, the operator of the tractor trailer pulled his vehicle onto the shoulder of southbound Coastal Highway and came to a controlled stop.

Alcohol and or drugs are not a factor on behalf of truck tractor and there is no indication that the operator of the Ranger pickup was impaired by alcohol or drugs.

Operator of the tractor trailer was not injured.

Operator of the Range pickup was transported to Beebe Medical Center where he was treated for serious injuries and was later transported to Christiana Hospital.

Two southbound lanes of Coastal Highway were closed for approximately three hours while the crash was investigated and cleared. One lane remained open.

The crash continues to remain under investigation.

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DSP S.O.A.R. Searching For Wanted Sex Offender

Dover, DE- The Delaware State Police Sex Offender Apprehension and Registration Unit (S.O.A.R) is currently looking for the following wanted sex offender after he 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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