

# Delaware State Police Troop 3 Host 2018 “Year In Review” - Camden

**Camden**– The Delaware State Police Troop 3 will be hosting a Town Hall Meeting to provide the public with its 2018 “Year in Review”.

The event is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 16, 2019 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** in Troop 3’s David B. Pulling Community Room located at 3759 S. State Street, Camden-Wyoming. The presentation will focus on providing the community with a better understanding of how Troop 3 functions and the duties and responsibilities those Troopers handle on a daily basis. Topics covered will also include Troop 3’s structure and components; upcoming goals and 2018 goal attainment specific to crime and collisions; as well as statistics concerning various crimes within their jurisdiction across Kent County.

**The meeting is open to the public and all are welcome and encouraged to attend.** It is a great opportunity for the community to become more aware of what is happening in their area and how Troop 3’s jurisdiction compares with national crime statistics.

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## **\*Update\*                      State                      Police Conducting                      Death Investigation-Laurel**

**Laurel-** The Delaware State Police are continuing to investigate the suspicious death of an adult female victim.

The investigation began on March 9, 2019 at approximately 7:24 a.m., when Troopers were dispatched to S. Shell Bridge Road in the area of Broad Creek Estates for a victim that was found deceased on the side of the roadway.

The Delaware State Police Homicide Unit is continuing to investigate this incident and are working closely with the Delaware Division of Forensic Science to determine the identity of the victim and the cause and manner of death.

There has been no other suspicious activity reported in the area at this time. The Delaware State Police, Troop 5 along with allied agencies have increased their patrols in the area.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Detective J. King at 302-741-2821. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

The Delaware State Police are urging citizens to report any suspicious activity. Suspicious activity reporting can be reported to Delaware's Anti-Terrorism Tip Line by calling 1-800-FORCE-12, e-mailing [force12@delaware.gov](mailto:force12@delaware.gov), or contacting local law enforcement agencies. Any emergency should always be immediately reported to 911. Click on: [Report Suspicious Activity](#).

***Regardless of the situation, circumstance or location, if you observe any type of suspicious activity make sure to report it.***

<https://dsp.delaware.gov/2019/03/09/state-police-conducting-death-investigation-laurel/>

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# **\*UPDATE-Suspect Still at Large-Photo Released\* Troopers Seeking Maryland Man for Home Invasion– Townsend**

*Townsend* – The Delaware State Police are still attempting to locate 28 year old Daniel J. Ford of Warwick, MD, who is wanted on multiple felonies, to include weapon related offenses, stemming from a home invasion that occurred at approximately 11:09 p.m., Monday March 11, 2019, at a residence in the 200 block of Sawmill Rd., Townsend.

Ford who is pictured in the above photo has active warrants on file for the following

- Possession of a Firearm during the Commission of a Felony
- Home Invasion
- Aggravated Menacing
- Reckless Endangering 1<sup>st</sup> Degree (4 counts)
- Criminal Mischief under \$1000.00 (2 counts)

Anyone with information regarding Ford's whereabouts are asked to contact Troop 9 by calling 302-378-5749 or by calling 911.

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## Troopers Seeking Maryland Man for Home Invasion– Townsend

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On Monday, March 11, 2019 at approximately 11:09 p.m., Troopers responded to the 200 block of Sawmill Rd., Townsend in reference to a domestic related incident. The initial investigation determined that Ford arrived at the residence and became involved in a verbal altercation with a female

acquaintance, outside the residence. He then encountered a male subject and pointed a handgun at him. A brief struggle ensued between Ford and the male victim over the weapon but Ford was able to retain possession of it.

Ford then made forcible entry into the residence in pursuit of the male. The male victim was able to flee the residence followed by Ford but there was no further interaction between the two. Once outside the residence, Ford punctured the tires of the male's vehicle with a knife, before fleeing the scene in a red, unknown make and model vehicle.

None of the victim's, to include two children that were in the residence at the time of the incident, sustained any injuries.

Ford is described as a white male, 5'4" tall, weighing 155 lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes. (NO PHOTOGRAPH AVAILABLE)

Warrants are currently on file charging Ford with the following;

- Possession of a Firearm during the Commission of a Felony
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## **\*Update #2\* Troopers Seek Assistance Identifying Suspect Hit and Run Vehicle-Bear**

**Bear-** The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is continuing to investigate a fatal hit and run crash involving a pedestrian and are seeking the public's assistance in identifying the suspect's vehicle.

The incident occurred on March 10, 2019 at approximately 8:29 p.m., when an unknown vehicle was traveling eastbound on Pulaski Highway (US 40). A pedestrian was walking eastbound on US 40 in the area of the off-ramp from northbound DE Rt. 1. The victim was subsequently struck by the vehicle, which did not remain at the scene. The victim remained in the right lane of US 40 when he was struck by a second vehicle, a 2015 Nissan Altima. The victim was also struck by other subsequent vehicles that did not remain on the scene.

The victim, 34-year-old **Ramanpreet Suri** of Wilmington, DE was not wearing reflective clothing or carrying an illumination device. He was pronounced deceased at the scene.

A photograph of the suspect's vehicle was obtained and it appears to be an unknown make and model silver in color sedan. The vehicle would have undetermined front end damage.

The Delaware State Police Reconstruction Unit is asking anyone that has information in reference to this crash or information regarding the striking vehicles that left the scene to please contact Troop 2, **Cpl/3 Aube at (302)-365-8483**. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

<https://dsp.delaware.gov/2019/03/10/traffic-advisory-troopers-investigating-serious-crash-involving-pedestrian-bear/>

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## Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash -Dover

**Dover (19901)**– The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a single vehicle crash that has turned fatal.

The incident occurred on March 7, 2019 at approximately 10:36 a.m., when a 2005 Chevrolet Malibu was traveling northbound on Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway (SR 1) north of the Exit 93 northbound on Ramp. The Malibu was traveling in the right lane and attempted to change lanes and enter the dedicated exit/entry lane. For unknown reasons, the operator turned abruptly to the left and back into the right lane of travel. The vehicle proceeded to cross over the left lane into a paved median, where it struck concrete jersey barrier that was separating the north and southbound lanes.

The operator, 95-year-old **George F. Thompson** of Dover was properly restrained and responsive on scene. He was transported to the Bayhealth Kent General hospital where he later succumb to his injuries on March 11, 2019.

The roadway was closed for approximately 2 hours while the crash was investigated and cleared.

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

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# Troopers Investigating Armed Robbery – New Castle

**New Castle** – The Delaware State Police are investigating the knifepoint robbery of a New Castle area variety store that occurred Monday night.

The incident occurred at approximately 9:47 p.m., Monday, March 11, 2019 at the Dollar General, located at 3056 New Castle Avenue. A male suspect with his face concealed and brandishing a knife, confronted an employee at the sales counter and ordered them to open the register. The employee complied with the demand and opened the register at which time the suspect removed an undisclosed amount of cash. After exiting the business the suspect fled in an unknown make and model vehicle which was parked at an adjacent business. The employee was not injured as a result of the incident.

The suspect was described as a black male with a large build wearing all dark clothing to include a hat and a fabric covering his face.

No surveillance images are available at this time.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact the Troop 2 Robbery Unit by calling 302-365-8566.

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 Attempting To Locate Robbery Suspect George P. Thomas

**Clayton/Hartly-** The Delaware State Police are seeking the public's assistance in attempting to locate 53-year-old **George P. Thomas** of Millington, MD who is wanted in connection with several burglaries.

Troopers began investigating a series of day time burglaries in which the suspect would gain entry into the residences by prying open doors. Once inside, the suspect would remove

electronics and tools. Through investigative measures, Troopers were able to connect Thomas to four burglaries occurring in the Clayton and Hartly areas.

Troopers have been unable to locate Thomas who has active warrants out of Troop 3 for the following:

- Burglary Second Degree (4 counts)
- Theft \$1500 or Greater
- Theft Under \$1500 (3 counts)
- Criminal Mischief (4 counts)

Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of **George P. Thomas** is asked to contact Troop 3 Criminal Investigations Unit, Detective Campbell at 302-698-8504 or by calling 911. 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 Attempted Robbery at Knife-Point– New Castle

*New Castle* – The Delaware State Police are investigating the attempted knife-point robbery of a New Castle area cellular phone store that took place late Sunday morning.

The incident occurred at approximately 11:46 a.m., Sunday, March 10, 2019 at the Metro PCS store located at 210 New Castle Avenue. A male suspect entered the business brandishing a knife and walked to the counter where the cash register was located and demanded money. The employee refused his commands and the suspect fled the business running north-bound along New Castle Avenue. The suspect did not obtain any cash or property and the employee was not injured as a result of the incident.

The suspect was described as a hispanic male, 5'08"-6'02" tall, 150-160 lbs., wearing a hooded jacket, dark colored pants armed with a knife.

No surveillance images are available at this time.

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# **Troopers Investigating Knifepoint Robbery – New Castle**

**New Castle** – The Delaware State Police are investigating the knife-point robbery of a New Castle area discount variety store that took place this afternoon.

The incident occurred at approximately 2:41 p.m., Monday,

March 11, 2019 at the Dollar Tree store located at 2201 Hessler Boulevard, New Castle. A male suspect confronted an employee at the sales counter and brandished a knife. The suspect grabbed the money from the register and struck the employee in the chest area with the knife. The suspect then fled from the business on foot eastbound in the direction of North DuPont Highway. The victim reported minor abrasions and refused treatment.

The suspect is described as a white or hispanic male, 5'07"-5'08' tall, 170-180 lbs, unshaven, medium build, wearing a dark colored hooded jacket, dark colored pants and dark colored winter style hat armed with what appears to be a knife.

No surveillance images are available at this time.

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