

Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash – North Wilmington

Wilmington – The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal crash that occurred at approximately 1:02 p.m., Saturday, January 12, 2019 on Silverside Rd. at the entrance to the Talleyville Shopping Center.

The initial investigation has determined that a 2011 Nissan Altima, operated by a 21 year old Wilmington man was traveling westbound in the right lane of Silverside Rd., approaching the intersection with the Talleyville Shopping Center entrance. A 2017 Nissan Altima, operated by a 75 year old Claymont man, was traveling eastbound Silverside Rd., in the left turn lane and turned directly into the path of the 2011 Nissan. The driver of the 2011 was unable to avoid the 2017, with the front end of his vehicle striking the right side of the 2017.

The 2011 continued in a westerly direction, coming to a stop in the westbound lanes. The 2017 spun clockwise and traveled in a northwest direction before coming to a stop in the northwest corner of the intersection.

After impact the engine compartment of the 2011 briefly caught fire but was extinguished and did not cause any injuries to the occupants.

The 75 year old victim who was wearing a seatbelt, was transported to the Christiana Hospital by Delaware State Police helicopter where he succumbed to his injuries. Impairment on his behalf is undetermined at this time.

The 21 year old driver and an 18 year old female passenger, who were both seat belted were transported to the Wilmington Hospital with serious injuries. Impairment on his behalf is not being considered a factor in the collision.

Silverside Rd. was closed for approximately 2.5 hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

Anyone with information regarding the incident are asked to contact Cpl. J. Aube of the Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction by calling 302-365-8483.

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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Homeless Sex Offender Notification

Dover– The following are not wanted. These are Homeless Sex Offender Public Notifications. If you have information that any of the listed subjects are occupying a residence, please call 302-672-5306. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>.

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Troopers Seek Assistance in Locating 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. They may or may not be wanted for sex related offenses. If anyone knows the location of this subject, 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/>

KIRLIN , DANIEL



Daniel Kirlin is reportedly homeless, but frequents the Dover area. He is described as a white male, 33 years of age, 6'00", 175 lbs.

For detailed information log on to:
sexoffender.dsp.delaware.gov

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Troopers Offer Safety Tips In Preparation for Forecasted Winter Storm

Dover – In anticipation of this weekends forecasted winter storm the Delaware State Police would like to offer the following information and safety tips. While this particular snow event is not predicted to be significant in nature it is always a good idea to prepared and informed as we proceed through the winter storm season.

For this weekends event the National Weather Service out of Mount Holly New Jersey is predicting snow accumulations of 2-4 inches locally with higher amounts possible for the southern portion of the state. As a result of the anticipated storm a winter weather advisory remains in effect from 7:00 p.m., Saturday, January 12 through 7:00 p.m., Sunday January, 13, 2019. A Winter Weather Advisory for snow means periods of snow will cause primarily travel difficulties. Expect snow covered roads and decreased visibility, and use caution while driving.

Delaware State Police statewide continue to plan and prepare for the forecasted winter storm, as they will be ready and

available to patrol, assist disabled vehicles, and manage roadway incidents and hazards for the duration of the event. Most calls for service received by Troopers during winter storms are for vehicle crashes, disabled vehicles, and abandoned vehicles which cause a major problem for DelDOT snow removal equipment and for Troopers responding to emergency situations. Troopers strongly encourage motorists to avoid unnecessary travel.

Troopers urge all motorists who must travel to use extreme caution as road and weather conditions may change rapidly over the course of the event:

- Motorists should be prepared for snow-covered and slippery roads, along with strong winds and limited visibility which make driving conditions difficult.
- Use caution while driving when approaching intersections and off ramps, especially bridges and overpasses.
- Remember to reduce speed and increase following distance between vehicles.
- Allow ample time to reach your destination, allow extra space between vehicles, and keep vehicle headlights on to increase visibility.

This would be an excellent time to check your vehicle ensuring it is in good working order for the expected conditions:

- Fill up the fuel tank in advance.
- Check the windshield wipers, windshield wiper fluid, tire tread, battery life, etc.
- If you should have vehicle problems, be sure to stay with your vehicle, as freezing temperatures can be life-threatening.
- Be sure to have an emergency kit in the vehicle consisting of a blanket, bottled water, snack, cell phone charger, and a flashlight.

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Troopers Investigating Pike Creek Bank Robbery

Wilmington-The Delaware State Police are investigating the robbery of a Pike Creek area bank that took place late Friday afternoon.

The incident occurred at approximately 5:23 p.m., Friday, January 11, 2019 at the Citizens Bank branch inside the ACME grocery store, located at 4720 Limestone Rd. (Pike Creek Shopping Center), Wilmington, when a male suspect approached a teller and produced a note demanding money. The suspect also made a statement which led the victim to believe that he was armed with some type of explosive device. The victim complied with the instructions on the note and turned over an undisclosed amount of cash to the suspect who then fled in an unknown direction. The victim was not injured as a result of

the incident.

The suspect was described as a white male, wearing a gray hooded sweatshirt, black jacket and blue jeans.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact the Troop 2 Robbery Unit at 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 Investigating Fatal Industrial Accident – Wilmington

Wilmington (19804) – The Delaware State Police are conducting a death investigation as a result of an industrial accident that occurred at approximately 4:09 p.m., Friday, January 11, 2019 at the former General Motors Plant, located at 801 Boxwood Rd., Wilmington.

The initial investigation has determined that Atlantic Coast Dismantling (ACD), a Boston Massachusetts based company, was contracted out to perform demolition work at the plant. The demolition work being conducted involved the use of heavy machinery and cables to bring down steel beams. The head foreman for ACD, 64 year old Paul Leary of Miami Florida, was overseeing the work when a cable snapped, striking him in the upper torso and head area. Leary was pronounced dead on scene by responding EMS.

Representatives from the Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) also responded to the scene and will be working with Delaware State Police detectives with the ongoing investigation.

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Wilmington Man Apprehended after Committing Shoe Store Robbery – Wilmington

Wilmington – The Delaware State Police have arrested Mark D. Goldberg, 57, of Wilmington, in connection with the robbery of a Fairfax area shoe store that occurred Friday afternoon.

At approximately 2:50 p.m., Friday, January 11, 2019, Troopers were dispatched to the Payless shoe store located at 2105 Concord Pike, in reference to a robbery. The first Trooper arrived on scene within three minutes, and was able to confirm that a white male suspect, wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, with the hood pulled up over his head, and a navy colored wool

coat, approached an employee at the sales counter, implied he had a weapon and demanded cash. After obtaining an undisclosed amount of money the suspect fled in an unknown direction.

The description of the suspect was broadcast to other units and at approximately 2:55 p.m. an assisting New Castle County police officer located a subject matching the suspect description at the Circle K gas station, located at 1801 Concord Pike. The subject, later identified as Goldberg, was taken in to custody without incident. Further investigation was able to confirm that Goldberg was the subject who committed the robbery. A subsequent search of Goldberg produced evidence further linking him to the crime.

Goldberg was transported to Troop 2 where he was charged with one count each of Robbery 1st Degree and Wearing a Disguise during the Commission of a Felony. He was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #2 and then committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institution in lieu of \$66,000.00 secured bail.

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Troopers Investigating Fatal Pedestrian Crash – New Castle

New Castle – The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal crash involving a pedestrian that occurred at approximately 9:58 p.m., Thursday, January 10, 2019 on U.S. 13 in the area of Federal School Lane.

The initial investigation has determined that a 2014 Chrysler Town and Country operated by a 47 year old Bear man was traveling southbound in the right lane of U.S. 13, just north of Federal School Lane. A 54 year old male pedestrian had entered the roadway from an unknown direction and was struck by the right front of the Chrysler. After impact the pedestrian came to rest in an adjacent private driveway. The Chrysler came to a controlled stop in the same area. There are no marked crosswalks nor pedestrian crossing signals in the area where the collision occurred.

The pedestrian who was pronounced deceased on scene was not wearing any reflective clothing nor was he carrying a light. Impairment on his behalf is undetermined at this time. Identification is pending notification of next of kin.

The driver of the Chrysler was wearing a seatbelt and was not injured. Neither speed nor impairment are factors on his behalf.

U.S. 13 southbound, between Saienni Blvd. and Federal School Lane was closed for approximately 2 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.

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Troopers Involved in Pursuit with Wrong Way Driver- I-95 Wilmington

Wilmington – The Delaware State Police are currently conducting a joint investigation with the Pennsylvania State Police in reference to the pursuit of a vehicle that was driving the wrong way on I-95.

At approximately 7:19 p.m., Wednesday, January 9, 2019 a 911 call was received by Delaware State Police dispatchers that a vehicle was traveling southbound in the northbound lanes of I-95, in the area of Martin Luther King Blvd., Wilmington. Responding Troopers first observed the vehicle, which was identified as a dark colored Ford SUV, in the area of the Churchman's Rd. exit, at which time they activated their emergency equipment and attempted to stop the vehicle. The vehicle refused to stop and continued to travel southbound in the northbound lanes before entering into Delaware Service Plaza. The vehicle then turned around and began traveling I-95 northbound, now in the northbound lanes, still refusing to stop.

Upon encountering heavy traffic in the area of Harvey Rd. the vehicle traveled across the grass median and then continued northbound in the southbound lanes of I-95. As the vehicle approached the Pennsylvania state line, Pennsylvania

authorities were notified. It was also at this time that the Delaware State Police helicopter obtained visual contact with the vehicle. Pennsylvania State Police units engaged the vehicle just south of Chester and assumed the lead position with Delaware Troopers assisting. The vehicle continued northbound before becoming disabled after being involved in a collision with a Pennsylvania State Police vehicle, just south of the Philadelphia International Airport. The driver exited the disabled vehicle and attempted to flee but was taken in to custody by Pennsylvania Troopers after a short foot pursuit.

The driver, identified as 29 year old Kyle R. Merena, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania was transported to an area hospital for evaluation.

Warrants are currently on file charging Merena with Reckless Endangering 1st Degree and Disregarding a Police Officers Signal, along with multiple traffic related offenses.

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UPDATE #2 Victim Identified

Troopers Investigating Fatal Pedestrian Crash-North Wilmington

Wilmington – The Delaware State Police have identified Michael Rendle, 58, of Wilmington as the pedestrian who was struck and killed in a motor vehicle collision, that occurred at approximately 5:19 p.m., Monday, January 7, 2019 on Philadelphia Pike just north of Beverly place, Wilmington.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Cpl. J. Aube of the Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit by calling 302-365-8483.

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<https://dsp.delaware.gov/2019/01/07/traffic-advisory-troopers-investigating-fatal-pedestrian-crash-north-wilmington/>

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