Troopers Investigating Knifepoint Gas Station Robbery – Wilmington

Wilmington (19808) – The Delaware State Police are investigating the knifepoint robbery of a Wilmington area gas station that took place early this morning.

The incident occurred at approximately 2:16 a.m., Monday, January 7, 2019 at the Valero gas station located at 1327 McKennan's Church Rd., Wilmington. A male suspect with has face concealed and brandishing a knife, confronted an employee behind the sales counter and ordered him to open the register. The employee complied with the demand by opening the register at which time the suspect removed an undisclosed amount of cash. The suspect also took multiple packs of cigarettes before exiting the business where he then entered into an awaiting vehicle which was parked at the entrance doors. The employee was not injured as a result of the incident.

The suspect was described as a white male, 20-25 years of age, 5'7" tall, wearing a red hooded sweatshirt, light colored pants and a cloth covering his face. He entered the front passenger seat of a dark gray Chevy Malibu, bearing an unknown Delaware tag, which was being driven an unknown suspect.

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 Investigating Home Invasion/Shooting- Dover

Dover (19901)— The Delaware State Police are investigating a report of home invasion in which one individual was shot last

evening.

The incident occurred on January 5, 2019 at approximately 5:57 p.m. when Troopers were dispatched to the 200 block of Kentwood Drive, Kentwood Mobile Home Park for a report of a home invasion and shooting. Upon arrival, it was discovered that a 30-year-old male had sustained a gunshot wound to his upper body.

Further investigation revealed that two unknown suspects had entered the residence. Upon the victim being shot, both suspects fled the scene. There were two other adult individuals in the residence during this incident. Both individuals were not injured.

The 30-year-old victim from Cambridge, MD was transported to a local area hospital in serious condition.

The suspects fled the residence without obtaining any property.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Detective D. Grassi at (302) 365-8441. 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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Check Your Wanted Status in Delaware

The Delaware State Police is encouraging citizens to check the Delaware Criminal Justice Information System Online Wanted Person Review to see if there is an active warrant or capias out for their arrest.

By clicking on the following link and entering the appropriate information you will be able to check your status:

https://pubsrv.deljis.delaware.gov/WantedPublic/Default.aspx

We understand that you may not be aware of your wanted status. Checking this website is an opportunity for you to become aware that there is possibly an active capias or warrant out for your arrest. A warrant for your arrest means a law enforcement officer has the right to take you into custody wherever you are. Becoming aware of your status now, provides you with the opportunity to turn yourself in voluntarily and resolve the issue as opposed to being inconvenienced in the future. The warrants available in this database consist of warrants issued by the courts of Delaware. Recent changes in the status of the warrants may not be reflected in this online database. Do not attempt to make an arrest based on this warrant information. Only law enforcement officers can arrest a person for an outstanding warrant.

If you find that you are in fact wanted, we encourage you to contact the agency that issued the warrant or capias and turn yourself in as soon as possible.

Click on the following link for Delaware State Police Troop locations and phone numbers:

https://dsp.delaware.gov/locations/

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Troopers Investigating Royal Farms Robbery – Newark

Newark (19713) – The Delaware State Police are investigating the robbery of a Newark area Royal Farms that took place early this morning.

The incident occurred at approximately 4:32 a.m., Friday, January 4, 2019 at the Royal Farms located at 455 Stanton-Christiana Rd., Newark. A male suspect entered the business and walked behind the sales counter where he proceeded to remove an undisclosed amount of cash and cigarettes. When

confronted by an employee the suspect displayed a canister of pepper spray and threatened to spray the employee. The suspect then exited the business with the property and was last seen fleeing the parking lot in a silver SUV with unknown Delaware tags. The employee was not injured as a result of the incident.

The suspect was described as a black male, wearing all dark clothing and a knit hat.

No surveillance images are available at this time.

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

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Troopers Investigating North Wilmington Pharmacy Robbery

Wilmington (19809) – The Delaware State Police are investigating the robbery of a north Wilmington Walgreens in which the cashier was threatened with pepper spray.

The incident occurred at approximately 9:05 p.m., Thursday, January 3, 2019 at the Walgreens pharmacy located at 1508 Philadelphia Pike, Wilmington. A male suspect approached the sales counter while displaying a canister of pepper spray and then threatened to spray the cashier while demanding cigarettes. The employee complied with the demand by turning over multiple packs of cigarettes to the suspect who then fled in an unknown direction. The employee was not injured as a result of the incident.

The suspect was described as a black male, wearing all dark clothing and a knit hat.

No surveillance images are available at this time.

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Delaware State Police Host Camp Barnes Wrestling Tournament

Sussex County, Delaware – This once-a-year wrestling tournament was held at the Indian River High School located in Dagsboro, Delaware. Families from Delaware and several surrounding states came for this awesome opportunity to compete. The Delaware State Police Honor Guard commanded by Captain Jason Sapp presented the colors to begin the event. The National Anthem was performed by Adria Windish, daughter of Lieutenant Gerald & Lynn Windish.

On Saturday, December 29, 2018, the Delaware State Police hosted this prestigious event; the ***7th Annual Camp Barnes Wrestling Classic***. Some experienced wrestlers were on hand and some for the first time. Just like the kids, many parents embraced the opportunity to have some fun and welcomed the chance for their children to work on and share wrestling skills.

There were 302 determined wrestling participants from the Mid-Atlantic Region which included the following five states; Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The wrestlers who participated in this event and fiercely competed ranged from the age of four to 14 years old.

Master Corporal John Messick, event coordinator, said, *"I feel really passionate about this event and how it helps the kids of Delaware build life skills to be good citizens. This initiative also helps children throughout Delaware, who may not have a chance to attend a camp, to be selected for Camp Barnes. I see this as a win-win for youth and parents in many states but especially for the First State. This is absolutely a great community outreach program for the Delaware State*

Police. This essentially provides a platform for kids to participate in the sport of wrestling and helps establish lifelong friendships during the winter break."

Benjamin Chorlton, 8 year old wrestler said, *"I like the tournament because my dad is a Trooper and it's an amazing fundraiser for Camp Barnes. It feels good to help others and raise money for other kids that can go to camp. I like the tough competition from other surrounding states."*

Master Corporal Dave Chorlton and parent of wrestler *said, "I would like to thank all of the committee members, volunteers and parents especially Captain Rodney Layfield and Master Corporal John Messick for putting together a top notch wrestling tournament. This well organized event allows wrestlers to compete with children from other states versus wrestling those just in the same state. All of the wrestlers develop both wrestling and life skills which goes well beyond the tournament. Congratulations to all of the wrestlers for a job well done!"*

Jack Callaway, 7 year old wrestler *said, "I like wrestling at the Camp Barnes Tournament because there is great competition, I'm wrestling for a good cause and representing my DSP family."*

<u>The Committee Members who have worked diligently since launching the wrestling tournament are:</u>

Captain Rodney Layfield

Lieutenant Gerald Windish

Master Corporal John Messick

Master Corporal Shawn Hatfield

Master Corporal Jeff Hudson

Master Corporal Rex Mears

Master Corporal Fred Chambers

Senior Corporal Anthony Andrews

Laurel Police Chief Dan Wright (DSP Retired)

There are also a host of generous volunteers, sponsors and parents that help with this event and without their assistance, the success of this event wouldn't be possible. The sponsors who helped make this event happen are the Delaware State Troopers Association, Harvard Business Services, Inc. and JD Shuckers Restaurant. The Delaware State Police thanks everyone who helped make this outreach event and wrestling tournament a tremendous success!

Excited to announce plans are currently underway for the ***8th Annual Camp Barnes Wrestling Tournament*** which will most likely be held during the Holiday Break in December 2019. Information and registration for that event will be released in October 2019. Please follow us for up to date information on the Delaware State Police Newsroom or the Delaware State Police Official Facebook Page

The proceeds from this event go toward helping Camp Barnes, a nonprofit organization operated by the Delaware State Police, which is located near Bethany Beach, Delaware. During the summer months, Camp Barnes hosts approximately 360 children from up and down the First State. This topnotch camp is offered to those between the ages of 10-13 and is a free week-long adventurous retreat. Southern Delaware's overnight summer camp features traditional camp activities and opportunities for attendees to enjoy recreational and camp-type activities including swimming, kayaking, archery, crafts, fishing, crabbing, canoeing and playing team sports. They demonstrate their skills at a weekly talent show and hang out with representatives from the Delaware State Police, the State Division of Fish and Wildlife, the Delaware Attorney General's Office and the Girl Scouts of America.

Find out more and click on: Delaware State Police Camp Barnes

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Troopers Seek Public's Assistance in Locating Wanted Subject-Laurel

Laurel- The Delaware State Police is seeking the public's assistance in attempting to locate a suspect who is wanted in connection with an attempted burglary.

The incident occurred on December 17, 2018 at approximately 7:56 p.m., when Troopers responded to a residence in the 34000 block of Columbia Road for a report of a burglary in progress. Upon arrival, Troopers learned that 31-year-old

Jamere D. Knox of Salisbury, MD (no photo available) had arrived at the residence with several subjects. Knox proceeded to attempt to kick in the front door to the residence and threaten his ex-girlfriend. During this incident there was a 23-year-old female, 49-year-old female, and 3-year-old child inside of the residence. Prior to the Troopers arrival, Knox fled the area. There were no reports of injuries.

Troopers have been unable to locate Knox who is currently wanted out of Troop 5 for the following:

- Attempted to Commit Burglary Second Degree
- Terroristic Threatening
- Conspiracy Second Degree
- Endangering the Welfare of a Child
- Criminal Mischief
- Disorderly Conduct

Anyone with information in reference to the whereabouts of Knox is asked to please contact Troop 5 at 302-337-8253. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com.

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Troopers Seek Public's Assistance in Locating Wanted Suspect-Frankford

Frankford/Millsboro- The Delaware State Police are seeking the public's assistance in attempting to locate the pictured suspect who is wanted in connection with numerous thefts from vehicles in the Millsboro and Frankford areas.

Cody J. Burroughs, 23 of Frankford is currently wanted out of Troop 4 for the following charges:

- Identity Theft (Felony)
- Attempted to Commit Theft Under $1500 Where a Victim is 62 years of Age or Older (Felony)
- Conspiracy Third Degree (2 counts)
- Theft Under $1500 (3 counts)
- Attempted to Commit Theft Under $1500 (2 counts)
- Unlawful Use of a Credit Card

- Criminal Mischief
- Criminal Trespass (5 counts)

Troopers have been unable to locate Burroughs. Anyone with information regarding the location of Burroughs is asked to please contact Troop 4 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://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com.

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Troopers Investigating Pharmacy Robbery – Wilmington

Wilmington (19804) – The Delaware State Police are investigating the robbery of a Wilmington area pharmacy that took place Tuesday evening.

The incident occurred at approximately 8:03 p.m., Tuesday, January 1, 2019 at the Rite Aid Pharmacy, located at 636 S. Maryland Avenue, Wilmington. A male suspect, with a concealed face, and who had had a knife tucked into his waistband, confronted an employee in the manager's office and demanded money. The suspect then removed an undisclosed amount of cash and fled the business through a rear door. The victim was not injured as a result of the incident.

The suspect was described as a male, 6'00"-6"1", wearing a dark hooded sweatshirt, blue jeans and a cloth concealing his face.

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

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