# Troopers Investigate Shooting Incident-Seaford

***Seaford***– The Delaware State Police are investigating a shooting incident that occurred last evening.

The incident was reported on Monday, October 29, 2018 at approximately 11:29 p.m., when Troopers responded to the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital for a report of a victim being shot. Upon arrival, Troopers made contact with a 26-year-old male from Seaford. The victim advised that he was visiting a friend in the 24000 block of German Road and while he was standing in the front yard, he heard what appeared to be gun fire. The victim proceeded to take off running when he realized he had been shot in his lower extremity.

The victim transported himself to the hospital where he was treated and released with a non-life threatening injury. There is no suspect information at this time.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Troop 4 Major Crimes Unit, Detective R. Mills at 302-752-3800. 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 Tractor Trailer Crash – I-295

# New Castle



***New Castle*** – The Delaware State Police are investigating a single vehicle crash involving a tractor trailer that occurred Sunday night on I-295.

The incident occurred at approximately 9:33 p.m., Sunday, October 28, 2018 on southbound I-295, just north of DE-141. A 2017 Freightliner tractor trailer, hauling approximately 35,000 pounds of produce, operated by a 37 year old male from Ellicott City Maryland, was traveling in the right lane when he swerved to avoid striking another vehicle. After avoiding the vehicle the tractor trailer continued to veer right, striking a guardrail. After impacting the guardrail the tractor trailer traveled off the roadway, and down an embankment where it came to rest. There were no other vehicles involved in the collision, and the operator of the tractor trailer was not injured.

Traffic on I-295 southbound is restricted to a single lane while repairs are done to the damaged section of guardrail.

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# Troopers Investigating Serious Crash- Seaford

***Seaford, Delaware***– The Delaware State Police are investigating a serious crash that occurred yesterday afternoon.

The incident occurred on Saturday, October 27, 2018 at approximately 1:04 p.m. when troopers responded to Hastings Farm Road in the area of Old Furnace Road for a report of a motor vehicle collision. Upon arrival EMS units were attempting to remove the driver from a 2013 Chevrolet Traverse. It was reported the black SUV went off the road and struck a tree.

The vehicle was traveling west bound on Hastings Farm Road and exited the south side of the road and struck an electrical phone box with its front right bumper. The vehicle continued to travel in a south west direction and sideswiped a tree with its side and then rotated counterclockwise.

The operator of the 2013 Chevrolet Traverse, a 17 year old of Greenwood, was not wearing a seat-belt at the time of the collision. The driver was initially transported by ambulance to the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital in Seaford. He was later

transferred to the Chistiana Hospital due to his serious injuries. During the investigation, the trooper noticed an odor of marijuana coming from within the vehicle. In addition, EMS administered narcan to the driver.

The operator is facing the following charges; Driving Under the Influence-Drugs, Out of State Vehicle-Fail to have Insurance and Failure to Remain within a Single Lane.

The crash continues to remain under investigation by the Delaware State Police. Hastings Farm Road in the area of the crash was closed while the crash was investigated and cleared.

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# *UPDATE #2- Victim Identified* Chestnut Hill Rd. Closed at Marrows Rd. Due to Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash – Newark

***Newark*** – The Delaware State Police are identifying Shadi Mabrouk, 64 of Wilmington as the operator of a Mazda M3, who was killed in a single vehicle crash that occurred at approximately 1:01 p.m., Friday, October 26, 2018 on E. Chestnut Hill Rd. (DE Rt. 4) in the area of Marrows Rd.

Click on the following links to view related releases:

https://dsp.delaware.gov/2018/10/26/traffic-advisory-chestnut-hill-rd-closed-marrows-rd-due-serious-motor-vehicle-crash-newark/

https://dsp.delaware.gov/2018/10/26/update-crash-now-classified-as-fatal-chestnut-hill-rd-closed-at-marrows-rd-due-to-serious-motor-vehicle-crash-newark/

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# *Update #3 Name Released* Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash-Lewes

***Lewes-*** The Delaware State Police have identified the name of the individual who was killed in a crash on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at approximately 6:38 p.m., on John J. Williams Highway (SR 24) approaching the entrance of the Peddler's Village Shopping Center as 28-year-old **Christopher F. Keech** of Georgetown..

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

https://dsp.delaware.gov/2018/10/26/update-2-driver-succumbs-injuries-troopers-investigating-crash-involving-moped-lewes/

https://dsp.delaware.gov/2018/10/24/update-troopers-investigating-serious-crash-involving-moped-lewes/

https://dsp.delaware.gov/2018/10/23/traffic-advisory-john-j-williams-hwy-harts-road-closed-due-serious-crash-lewes/

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# Multi-Agency Crime Blitz

# Results in Mass Arrests

***New Castle –*** A multi-agency operation conducted on Thursday, October 25, 2018, at targeted locations in the greater New Castle area has resulted in the arrest of 42 individuals on criminal charges.

This crime blitz focused on the Route 13/40 corridor as well as Rt. 9 (New Castle Avenue). The operation was conducted in these areas to target criminal activity and to address ongoing quality of life issues.

During the eight hour enforcement blitz, police arrested 44 individuals for either a criminal charge or outstanding capias, resulting in the clearance of  78 active warrants. Seized during the operation was a .45 Caliber handgun, 85.5 grams of Marijuana, 3.064 grams of Heroin, 17 grams of crack cocaine, $720.00 in suspected drug proceeds, 8 prescription pills, and an assortment of drug paraphernalia. In total 57 traffic arrests, 41 criminal arrests, 11 prostitution arrests and 1 DUI arrest occurred during the crime initiative.

Two significant felonious arrests made during the operation were of Percy A. Skinner, 32,  and Paul R. Anderson, 42, both of Wilmington.

Skinner was found to be in possession of 2 grams of raw heroin, 61 bags of heroin, 17 grams of crack cocaine and $466 in suspected drug proceeds. He was charged with Possession of Heroin, Possession with Intent to Deliver Cocaine, Possession of Cocaine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Anderson was found to be in possession of a Springfield Armory .45 ACP and 13 rounds of ammunition, 4.1 grams of Marijuana and related paraphernalia. He was charged with Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon, Possession of a Firearm while Possessing Drugs and Possession of Marijuana

***This initiative was a collaborative effort between the Delaware State Police, Governors Task Force, Probation and Parole, New Castle County Police Department, Department of Corrections and Justice of the Peace Courts.***

This combined effort highlights how the cooperation of multiple law enforcement agencies can effectively combat crime which in turn increases the quality of life for the communities we serve.

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# Happy Halloween – Public

# Safety Trunk or Treat Events in Dover and Georgetown

Halloween is right around the corner and the Delaware State Police would like to remind parents, children, motorists and those handing out treats to remain alert and to stay safe during this Halloween season. Please take a minute to read over these safety tips and share with your friends and families, so everyone can have a safe and fun night!

**Motorist Safety**

- Motorists are being asked to not only drive with extreme caution, but also to drive extra slow in neighborhoods and residential areas because children may inadvertently dart across the street into the path of moving vehicles.
- Practice extra caution at intersections and corners.
- Pull in and out of driveways carefully.
- Children will be walking house to house and depending on the availability of sidewalks, may be near or actually on the roadway.

**Trick or Treating Safety**

- Children should never go “trick or treating” alone, they should always have a parent or a group of friends with them at all times and always carry a flashlight.
- Children should never go into a stranger’s home, car, or take short cuts through backyards or alleys.
- Stay off the main roadways.
- For added visibility consider using “glow sticks” and/or reflective tape attached to the costumes or bags.
- Before crossing the street, always look in both directions twice to make sure there is no moving traffic.

- Costumes should always fit properly and avoid using props that may cause alarm to the community, such as guns.
- Consider face paint instead of masks as they can obstruct a child's vision.
- Children should never eat fruit or candy until examined by their parents or guardian. Never trust candy that has loose wrapping, unwrapped or holes in the package. **WHEN IN DOUBT-THROW IT OUT!**

**For those homes participating in handing out treats**

- Pre-plan and eliminate any hazards surrounding your porch or walkway. Check around your property for low tree limbs, support wire or garden hoses that may be hazardous to young children rushing from house to house.
- Keep on your outside lights.
- Keep your pets locked in the house away from "Trick or Treaters"

***The Delaware State Police wishes everyone a Safe and Happy Halloween!***

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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 offenders after they 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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# 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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# *UPDATE* Chestnut Hill Rd. Closed at Marrows Rd. Due to Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash – Newark




***Newark*** – The Delaware State Police are continuing to investigate a fatal crash involving a single vehicle that occurred at approximately 1:01 p.m., Friday, October 26, 2018 on E. Chestnut Hill Rd. (DE Rt. 4) in the area of Marrows Rd.

The investigation has determined that a 2006 Mazda M3 operated by a 64 year old Wilmington man was traveling eastbound on E.

Chestnut Hill Rd., east of Marrows Rd., when the vehicle drifted off the right side of the road and struck a traffic signal pole. After impacting the pole the vehicle continued in a south-easterly direction striking a concrete curb before veering left, eventually coming to rest partially in the left lane of E. Chestnut Hill Rd. and the center grass median.

The victim was transported to the Christiana Hospital where he was pronounced deceased. It was determined that there were no significant traumatic injuries suffered and that an undetermined medical event was the contributing factor in the crash. Identification of the victim is pending notification of next of kin.

The eastbound lanes of E. Chestnut Hill Rd. were closed for approximately 1 hour 45 minutes while the scene was investigated and cleared.

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