

State Police Conducting Death Investigation – Portsville

Portsville – The Delaware State Police are currently conducting a death investigation after an adult male was discovered deceased in the area of Portsville MillPond.

The preliminary investigation has determined at approximately 9:22 a.m., Wednesday, September 26, 2018, troopers responded to the area of Portsville Road and Dogwood Lane, west of Laurel for a report of a male subject that was found in the pond. Sussex County Paramedics responded to the scene and pronounced the victim deceased at the scene.

The Delaware Division of Forensic Science was contacted to remove the male victim, whose name is being withheld pending notification of next of kin and extended family, to conduct an autopsy to determine the cause and manner of death. The investigation into the death of the male subject is in its early stages and information will be released as it becomes available.

At this time the Portsville Road in the area of Dogwood Lane is closed.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Detective M. Csapo at 302-741-2729. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

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Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov

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Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash - Harrington

Harrington— The Delaware State Police are releasing the name of the man that was killed in a crash during the early morning hours on Tuesday, September 25, 2018 on Whiteleysburg Road at the intersection of Ingram Branch Road, as 86-year-old Philip Caliendo of Harrington, Delaware.

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

<https://dsp.delaware.gov/2018/09/25/update-troopers-investigating-fatal-crash-harrington/>

<https://dsp.delaware.gov/2018/09/25/traffic-advisory-whiteleysburg-road-ingram-branch-road-closed-due-serious-crash-harrington/>

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Public's Assistance Sought in Identifying Robbery Suspects

Wilmington – The Delaware State Police and the Wilmington Police Department are investigating a series of robberies that occurred earlier this month and are asking for the public's help in identifying the suspects.

The pictured suspects are wanted for their involvement in two robberies being investigated by the Delaware State Police. The first incident occurred on Sunday, September 9th, 2018 at the 7-Eleven located at 2100 Foulk Rd. and the second on Thursday, September 13, 2018 at the Family Dollar located in the Canby Park Shopping Center. These same suspects are being sought by the Wilmington Police Department for a robbery that occurred on September 12, 2018 at the 7-Eleven located at 1801 Pennsylvania Avenue.

In each of these incidents the pictured suspects enter the business to survey the interior, and then exit. Immediately upon their exit, multiple masked suspects enter, one of which is brandishing a handgun, and then proceed to carry out the robbery. After demanding and receiving cash and cigarettes from the victim-employee, all suspects enter in to a dark colored vehicle and flee the scene.

Click on the following links to view related releases:

<https://dsp.delaware.gov/2018/09/10/troopers-investigating-convenience-store-robbery-north-wilmington/>

<https://dsp.delaware.gov/2018/09/14/troopers-investigating-armed-robbery-wilmington/>

Anyone who may know the identities of the suspects or may have further information regarding these robberies are asked to contact Detective T. Dukes of the Troop 2 Robbery Unit by calling 302-365-8412 or Detective S. Bender of the Wilmington Police Department at 302-576-3621.

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Update Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash-Harrington

Harrington— The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is currently investigating a fatal crash that occurred earlier this morning.

The incident occurred at approximately 7:58 a.m., on Tuesday, September 25, 2018, when a blue Dodge Dakota was traveling northbound on Ingram Branch Road approaching a posted stop sign at the intersection of Whiteleysburg Road. A teal green Lincoln Town Car was traveling eastbound on Whiteleysburg Road approaching the intersection of Ingram Branch Road. For unknown reasons, the operator of the Dakota failed to stop at the posted stop sign and attempted to make a left turn onto Whiteleysburg Road, striking the Town Car head on in the eastbound lane of Whiteleysburg Road. After the impact, the Town Car traveled off the roadway in a grassy ditch, where it caught fire.

The operator of the Dodge, an 86-year-old male from Harrington, was not wearing his seatbelt and was pronounced deceased at the scene. Identification is pending notification of next of kin.

The operator of the Town Car, a 33-year-old male from Galena, Maryland was wearing his seatbelt and was transported to the Bayhealth Kent General Hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

Whiteleysburg Road in the area of Ingram Branch Road was closed for approximately 3 hours while the crash was

investigated and cleared.

<https://dsp.delaware.gov/2018/09/25/traffic-advisory-whiteleys-burg-road-ingram-branch-road-closed-due-serious-crash-harrington/>

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State Police to Conduct Citizens Police Academy in Sussex County

Sussex County- The Delaware State Police are now accepting applications for the Fall/Winter 2018 Citizens Police Academy.

The 2018 Spring Delaware State Police Citizen's Police Academy will begin on Thursday, October 25th, 2018 and will conclude on Thursday, January 10, 2019. The academy will consist of ten, Thursday night sessions, running from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Most of the classes will take place at the Delaware State Police Sussex County Emergency Operations Center, located at 21911 Rudder Lane, Georgetown, Delaware.

Participants will learn about a wide variety of police activities consistent with what a Delaware Trooper experiences today. The instruction includes criminal and traffic investigations, special units, and various other law enforcement related topics. Additionally, participants will have the opportunity to ride with patrol troopers. Class size will be limited to 20 participants and a background check will be conducted on all applicants. Deadline for registration is October 18, 2018. Applications must be returned by that date in order to be processed. If interested, access the application on-line by visiting www.dsp.delaware.gov and clicking on the "Community" tab. Please complete the application and send an email with the attached application to Richard.Bratz@delaware.gov of the Delaware State Police Public Information Office in order to be enrolled for the class.

Presented by the Director of Public Information, Sergeant Richard Bratz

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Troopers Investigating Shots Fired Incident-Harrington

Harrington- The Delaware State Police are currently investigating a shots fired complaint that occurred last evening.

The incident occurred at approximately 10:27 p.m., on Monday, September 24, 2018, when Troopers were dispatched to a residence in the 5000 block of Milford Harrington Highway for a shots fired complaint. Upon arrival, contact was made with a 62-year-old female resident who advised that while she was inside, she heard a vehicle speeding by, followed by a loud popping sound. Further inspection of her residence led to the discovery of a bullet hole through her front window. Her 69-year-old husband was also inside of the residence at the time of this incident, and neither sustained injuries.

This case continues to remain under investigation. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Troop 3 Criminal Investigative Unit at 302-698-8443. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

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***Traffic Advisory* - Whiteleysburg Road and Ingram Branch Road Closed Due to Serious Crash-Harrington**

Harrington-The Delaware State Police are currently on scene of a serious crash that occurred at approximately 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 25, 2018 on Whiteleysburg Road. As a result of this crash Whiteleysburg in the area of Ingram Branch Road is closed.

Motorists can expect delays in the area and are advised to seek alternate routes of travel. For further traffic updates

and road closure information click on the following link:
http://www.deldot.gov/Traffic/travel_advisory/index.shtml#advisories.

The investigation is ongoing with further information being released as it becomes available.

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Georgetown Man Indicted for Additional Sexual Assaults

Georgetown- The Delaware State Police have indicted 22-year-old **Clay Conaway** on six additional counts of Rape in the Second Degree.

The Delaware State Police Major Crimes Unit began an investigation involving an incident that occurred on June 20, 2018 at a residence in Georgetown. A 20-year-old female reported that she was sexually assaulted. Detectives identified Clay Conaway as the suspect.

On August 22, 2018, Conaway was taken into custody without incident. Conaway was transported back to Troop 4 on a warrant stemming from an August 20, 2018 indictment for Rape in the First Degree. He was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 3 and committed to the Sussex Correctional

Institution on \$70,000.00 secured bond.

Since Conaway's arrest, the Delaware State Police Major Crimes Unit has identified five additional victims all stating they were sexually assaulted by Clay Conaway.

Two victims stated they were sexually assaulted by Conaway in 2013. One case is from an incident in 2017, and two additional incidents occurred in 2018.

On September 24, 2018, Conaway was indicted on six counts of Rape in the Second Degree involving five separate incidents. Conaway's next court appearance is currently scheduled for October 1, 2018 at Sussex County Superior Court.

The Delaware State Police is asking for anyone who has information in reference to any additional criminal incidents involving this defendant to contact Troop 4, Major Crimes Unit, Detective D. Kristunas at 302-752-3856. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

This case continues to remain under investigation. Because of the sensitivity of this case, and in consideration of the victims, only limited information will be released at this time.

<https://dsp.delaware.gov/2018/08/24/georgetown-man-arrested-for-sexual-assault/>

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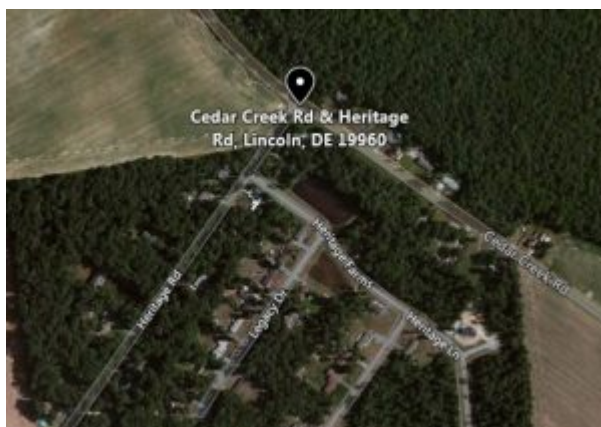
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***UPDATE-Victim Identified* Troopers Investigating Fatal Motorcycle Crash – Lincoln**



Lincoln – The Delaware State Police have identified Carlos R.

Marin-Landa, 28, of Millsboro, as the operator of a Kawasaki 1000cc motorcycle, who was killed in a crash that occurred at approximately 11:23 p.m., Saturday, September 22, 2018, on Cedar Creek Rd., in the area of Heritage Rd., Lincoln.

Click on the following link to view the original release:

<https://dsp.delaware.gov/2018/09/23/troopers-investigating-fatal-motorcycle-crash-lincoln/>

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Cpl. K. Argo of the Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit by calling 302-703-3264.

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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Delaware State Police Troop 5 and the Seaford Police Department Invites All to the Community Night Out-Against Drugs and Crime

Seaford-Troopers are joining the Seaford Police Department and the Western Sussex Boys and Girls Club for the 27th Annual Seaford Community Night Out-Against Crime and Drugs on **Thursday, September 27, 2018, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** There will be free dinners provided by the USDA. This will be held on the 300 block of Virginia Avenue between the Seaford Police Department and the Western Sussex Boys and Girls Club. Delaware Night Out gives everyone the opportunity to interact with first responders.

We have a host of invited specialty units and agencies. The Delaware State Police will showcase the Mounted Patrol Unit, the Evidence Detection Unit, the K-9 Unit with a

demonstration, the Explosive Ordnance Disposal Unit, Scuba, SORT, the Command Post, and the Aviation Unit (weather permitting). The Chief, the Troop Commander and members of both agencies will be mixing and mingling amidst the event. Numerous public safety partners will also be highlighted, including, but not limited to the State Fire Marshal's Office, Office of Highway Safety, the Seaford Volunteer Fire Department, Sussex County Paramedics, the Division of Consumer Protection, the Citizen Volunteer Corps, Young Marines, Habitat for Humanity, Community Legal Aid, Teen Challenge, and many others.

All are welcomed to come out and enjoy the evening.

We look forward to seeing everyone there!

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