

# Traffic Stop Leads to Drug Arrest – Seaford

**Seaford**-The Delaware State Police have arrested a Laurel man after a traffic stop led to the discovery of drugs.

The incident occurred at approximately 7:46 p.m., on Monday, September 10, 2018 when a Trooper observed a black Chevrolet Pickup truck traveling westbound on Concord Road approaching Sussex Highway. The vehicle proceeded to turn onto northbound Sussex Highway when the operator failed to use their turn signal. A traffic stop was initiated, and it was discovered that the driver, 43-year old, **Todd A. Hathaway** had a suspended license.

A search of the vehicle was conducted and located inside was approximately 15.06 grams of methamphetamine, over \$1,200.00 in suspected drug proceeds, and drug paraphernalia.

Hathaway was transported back to Troop 5 without incident. He was charged with the following:

- Possession With Intent to Deliver a controlled substance
- Possession of a Controlled Substance
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (2 counts)
- Driving While Suspended or Revoked
- Failure to Signal Lane Change

Hathaway was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 3 and released on \$52,025.00 unsecured bond.

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# Community Partners Prepare for Hurricane Florence

Our thoughts are with your communities as you prepare for the potential impact of Hurricane Florence. The Delaware State Police will continue to closely monitor Hurricane Florence and work with our state partners for your safety. We also hope our partnership with Nextdoor.com will be a helpful resource for you over the next few days. [Delaware State Police on Nextdoor.com](#)

As Delaware prepares for the impending storm of Hurricane Florence, we encourage all residents to prepare now by taking the following precautions:

-Ensure you have food, water, and medications for each person in your home for seven days.

-Be ready for power, utility, and phone service outages. Keep your mobile phones charged.

-Refill your gas tank and stock your vehicle with emergency supplies and a change of clothes

-Bring patio furniture and garbage cans inside; they could become dangerous in high winds

-Check out <https://www.ready.gov/hurricanes> to learn more about how to prepare

As the storm approaches, coastal and inland flooding is possible. Be aware of quickly moving water and flooded roads. Do not drive around barricades, or through high water. Pay close attention to the water saturated ground as it can easily cause down trees and power lines in heavy winds.

Know how you'll communicate with family members and neighbors once the storm passes. You can call, text, email or use social media. Remember that during disasters, text instead of calling because phone lines are often overloaded.

In addition, it is important to prepare now for any possible effects in Delaware from Florence; check emergency kits, know your evacuation routes and continue to monitor weather reports. Should it become necessary for emergency shelters to be opened, locations will be announced at that time.

[Troopers Offer Safety Tips for Navigating Rain Storms and Flooded Roadways](#)

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# Troopers Arrest Felton Man for Aggravated Menacing- Harrington

*Harrington*— The Delaware State Police have arrested a Felton man after he threatened a co-worker with a gun while working.

The incident occurred on Monday, September 10, 2018 at approximately 10:17 a.m., when Troopers were dispatched to Kirby and Holloway Meats located at 966 Jackson Ditch Road, for a report of an employee with a handgun. Upon arrival, Troopers learned that a temporary employee, **David Frasier**, 26, had engaged in an argument with a 56-year-old male employee. As a result of the argument, Frasier exited the facility and retrieved a handgun from his vehicle. Frasier re-entered the facility and proceeded directly towards the victim, while waving the firearm in the air. Frasier then returned to his vehicle and fled from the scene without further incident. No injuries were reported.

Troopers made contact with Frasier who agreed to turn himself

in at Troop 3. Frazier was charged with Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony and Aggravated Menacing. He was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and released on \$20,000.00 unsecured bond.

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# Troopers Investigating Cabela's Burglary-Reward Offered

**Newark** – The Delaware State Police with assistance from the Wilmington Field Office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) Baltimore Field Division, is continuing to investigate a burglary that took place at the Cabela's Christiana Mall location in late August.

The incident occurred at approximately 1:15 a.m., Thursday, August 30, 2018 at the Cabela's, located at 1100 Christiana Mall, Newark. An employee who was working the overnight shift, was alerted to the ringing of the main entrance door motion sensor. The employee thought this was suspicious since the door should have been secured, so he proceeded to the area to investigate further. As he approached the doors he observed multiple suspects fleeing the store.

The investigation has determined that a total of four suspects were able to enter the store after prying open the entrance doors. A fifth suspect remained at the doors while the others proceeded inside. The suspects were able to remove an assortment of BB guns, and associated ammunition (detailed below) before fleeing to an awaiting vehicle that was parked on the ramp from northbound SR 1 to I-95 northbound.

The BB guns taken, which all resemble actual firearms consisted of the following:

- BB Gun Air Rifle Machgun .177 cal.
- M4-177 Rifle Kit
- BB-177 Caliber Pump
- Umarex Steel Force BB Gun

- Umarex XBG .177 BB ammunition

Surveillance cameras were able to capture the following images of the five suspects.



***The ATF is offering a reward of up to \$2,500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the individuals responsible for this crime. The National Shooting Sports Foundation, the trade association for the firearms industry, is also offering to match up to \$1,000 of that reward, for a combined total possible reward of \$3,500.***

Anyone with information regarding this incident or who may know the identities or whereabouts of the suspects are asked to contact Detective D. DeFlaviis of the Troop 2 Criminal Investigative Unit at 302-365-8388.

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 Convenience Store Robbery – North Wilmington**



***Wilmington (19810)*** – The Delaware State Police are investigating the armed robbery of a North Wilmington 7-Eleven store that took place late Sunday night.

The incident occurred at approximately 11:05 p.m., Sunday, September 9, 2018 at the 7-Eleven convenience store located at 2100 Foulk Rd., in the area of Grubb Rd., Wilmington. Three suspects, all with their faces concealed, entered the business and confronted an employee at the sales counter. One of the

suspects displayed a handgun, while the other two proceeded to remove an undisclosed amount of cash from the register, along with a large quantity of tobacco products from the display. The suspects also took cash, a cell-phone and car keys from the victim's person before fleeing. The employee was not injured as a result of the incident.

Further investigation was able to determine that two other suspects remained outside the business during the robbery and that all five suspects entered into a dark colored vehicle, which was last seen fleeing eastbound on Grubb Rd.

No surveillance images are available at this time.

The suspects were described as follows:

- Suspect #1: black hooded sweatshirt, dark pants, face covered and in possession of a black hand gun. (Entered business)
- Suspect #2: All black clothing, face covered. (Entered business)
- Suspect #3: All black clothing, face covered. (Entered business)
- Suspect #4: All dark clothing. (Remained outside business)
- Suspect #5: All dark clothing. (Remained outside business)

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact the Troop 2 Robbery Unit at 302-365-8566.

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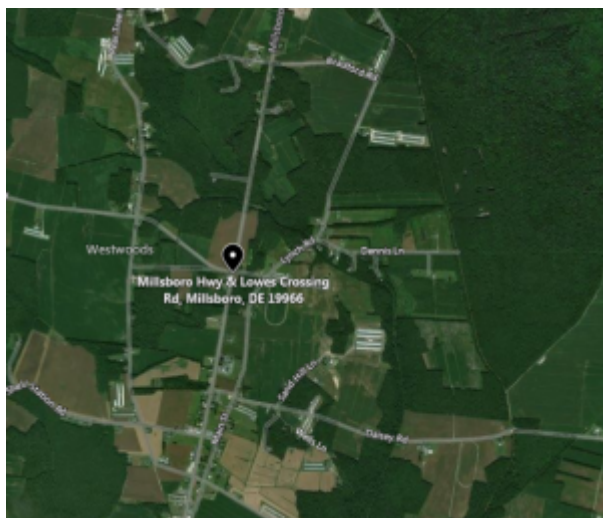
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**\*Update\* Troopers  
Investigating Fatal Crash-**

# Millsboro



**Millsboro-** The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is continuing to investigate a fatal crash, involving three vehicles that occurred earlier today.

The incident occurred at approximately 11:41 a.m. when a 1999 Jeep Cherokee was traveling eastbound on Lowes Crossing Road approaching the intersection of Millsboro Highway (SR 24) with a posted stop sign. A 2016 Dodge Caravan was traveling northbound on Millsboro Highway approaching the intersection of Lowes Crossing Road and Bald Branch Road. Millsboro Highway is a throughway and does not stop. A 2007 Dodge Ram Pick-up truck was traveling westbound on Bald Branch Road and stopped at the stop sign at the intersection of Millsboro Highway. The Cherokee failed to stop for the posted stop sign and crossed directly in front of the Caravan. As a result, the front of Caravan struck the right side of the Cherokee. The impact caused the Caravan to rotate off the east side of roadway where it struck the front of the Dodge Ram. The Cherokee was also forced off the east side of the roadway into the grass.

The driver of the Cherokee, a 30-year-old female from Frankford, was properly restrained. She was transported to the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital where she was treated and released with non-life threatening injuries. Her 6-year-old

daughter, a passenger in the second row seat was properly restrained. She was transported to the Nanticoke Memorial Hospital where she was pronounced deceased.

The driver of the Caravan, a 64-year-old male from Salisbury MD, was properly restrained. He was transported to the Peninsula Regional Medical Center where he was treated and released with non-life threatening injuries. His passenger, a female from Salisbury MD, was also transported to the Peninsula Regional Medical Center where she was treated and admitted with non-life threatening injuries.

The driver of the Dodge Ram, a 46-year-old male from Georgetown, was properly restrained and not injured.

Impairment does not appear to be a factor on behalf of either drivers. Millsboro Highway in the area of Lowes Crossing Road was closed for approximately 3 hours while the crash was investigated and cleared.

<https://dsp.delaware.gov/2018/09/09/traffic-advisory-millsboro-highway-lowes-crossing-road-closed-due-fatal-crash/>

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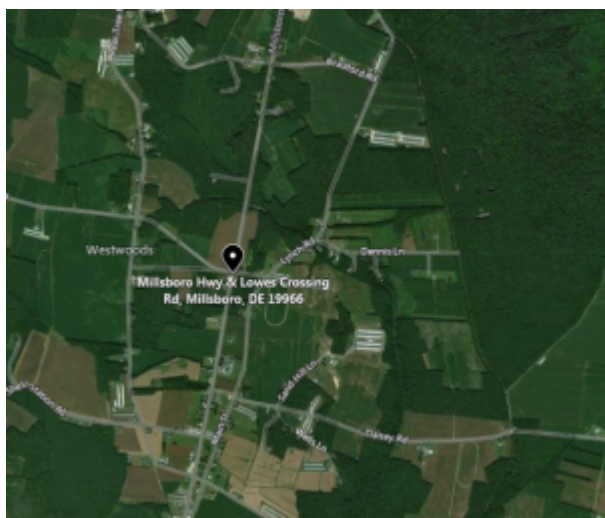
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## “Traffic Advisory” Millsboro Highway at Lowes Crossing Road Closed Due to Fatal Crash



**Millsboro-** The Delaware State Police are currently on scene investigating a fatal crash that occurred at approximately 11:42 a.m., Sunday, September 9, 2018 on Millsboro Highway at Lowes Crossing Road.

Millsboro Highway between Bradford Road and Daisey Road is

closed at this time.

Motorist should expect extended delays in this area and are advised to seek alternate routes of travel.

Further information will be released as it becomes available.

For updated traffic conditions and road closure information click on the following link:[http://www.deldot.gov/Traffic/travel\\_advisory/index.shtml#advisories](http://www.deldot.gov/Traffic/travel_advisory/index.shtml#advisories).

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# Troopers Investigating Robbery at Cosmetic and Beauty Supply Store – Bear



**Bear**– The Delaware State Police are investigating a robbery that took place at a Cosmetic and Beauty Supply Store earlier this morning.

The incident occurred at approximately 10:09 a.m., on Saturday, September 8, 2018 at the Beauty Max located at 1667 Pulaski Highway. The suspect entered the business and made contact with a store employee. While displaying a handgun in his waistband, and stating he had a gun, the suspect demanded the employee empty the cash register. The employee complied with the suspect's demands and turned over an undisclosed amount of cash. The suspect exited the store and fled on foot towards Salem Church Road. The store employee was not injured as a result of this incident.

The suspect was described as a white male wearing dark colored clothing.

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 Shots

# Fired Incident-Bridgeville



**Bridgeville**– The Delaware State Police are currently investigating a shots fired complaint that occurred earlier this morning.

The incident occurred at approximately 1:52 a.m., Saturday, September 9, 2018 when Troopers were dispatched to the area of Mill Park Drive and Coverdale Road for reports of shots being fired. Upon arrival to the area, Troopers did not locate anything suspicious. Troopers attempted to make contact with subjects at a residence in the 21000 block of Mill Park Drive with negative results. Several hours later, a 28-year-old male and a 27-year-old female responded to Troop 5 to report that their residence had been shot at.

Troopers responded back to the residence on Mill Park Drive and discovered that the house along with a vehicle had been struck by bullets. There were no reports of injury as a result of this incident.

This case continues to remain under investigation by Troop 4, Major Crimes Unit. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Detective K. Archer at 302-752-3791. 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 Stop Leads to Drug and Weapon Arrest – Seaford

**Seaford**– The Delaware State Police have arrested two suspects after a traffic stop led to the discovery of drugs and a weapon.

The incident occurred at approximately 1:52 a.m., on Saturday, September 8, 2018 when Troopers were dispatched to Coverdale Road in the area of Mill Park Drive for several reports of shots being fired. A Trooper was in the immediate vicinity and observed a vehicle leaving the area. A traffic stop was initiated on a Nissan Sentra on Hastings Farm Road east of Old Furnace Road. Upon contact with the occupants, the Trooper immediately observed marijuana inside of the vehicle. The

driver, identified as 29-year-old **Monte D. Murray** of Seaford and his passenger, 22-year-old **Tashyra N. Scott** of Hartly, were taken into custody without incident. A further search of the vehicle led to the discovery of the following:

- Approximately 2.91 grams of marijuana
- 5 Ecstasy tablets
- 9mm handgun
- A pistol magazine with (4) 9mm rounds
- Drug paraphernalia
- Over \$200.00 in suspected drug proceeds

Murray and Scott were transported back to Troop 5 where they were charged with the following:

- Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon A Firearm
- Possession of a Deadly Weapon By a Person Prohibited
- Possession of a Controlled Substance
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
- Possession of Marijuana

Murray and Scott were arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 3 and released on \$3,950.00 unsecured bond.

Further investigation into the initial complaints of shots being fired did not lead to the discovery of any shell casings or damage to property at this time.

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