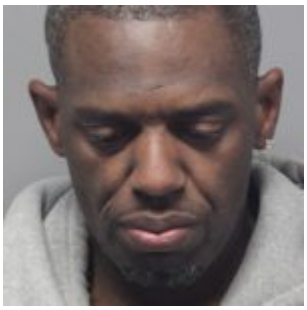
Troopers Seek Public's Assistance in Locating Shoplifting Suspect – Sussex County



Terrence V. Purnell, 41 of Millsboro WANTED



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Millsboro, Long Neck, Rehoboth Beach – The Delaware State Police are asking for the public's assistance in locating Terrence V. Purnell who is currently wanted for multiple shoplifting incidents that occurred in July of this year.

Terrence V. Purnell, 41 of Millsboro, entered the following businesses and removed merchandise consisting of consumable goods, bath products and clothing without paying:

- July 11, 2018 Marshalls Rehoboth Beach 4575 Highway 1 (Shoplifting, Possession of Shoplifting Tools and Conspiracy 3rd degree)
- July 19, 2018 Giant Grocery Story 25939 Plaza Drive Millsboro (Shoplifting and Possession of Drug

Paraphernalia – left drug paraphernalia at store)

- July 25, 2018 Weis Store 24832 John J. Williams Highway, Millsboro (Possession of Shoplifting Tools and Shoplifting)
- July 28, 2018 Giant 38069 Ocean View Town Center (Shoplifting)

In addition, Purnell is currently wanted by Justice of the Peace Court 3 for Driving Suspended, No Insurance and Violation of Probation and wanted by the Sussex County Court of Common Pleas for Shoplifting and Violation of Probation.

Purnell is described as a black male, approximately 41 years of age, 6'02" tall, with black hair and brown eyes. He is listed as homeless and frequents the Millsboro, Long Neck and Rehoboth Beach areas.

If anyone has any information in reference to the location of Terrence V. Purnell, they are asked to please contact Corporal J. Oneal at Troop 7, (302) 703-3323. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com.

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Troopers Investigating a Subject Struck by a Train – Newark



Newark, DE – Troopers are currently on the scene of a crash involving a subject who was struck by an Amtrak train in the area of Red Mill Road.

Preliminary investigation reveals the incident occurred around

12:01 p.m. this afternoon when a southbound Amtrak train struck a subject that was on the tracks. The subject has not been identified. The operator was able to bring the train to a stop after the collision.

The investigation into this incident is in the early stages and more information will be released as it becomes available.

Presented by the Director of Public Information Sergeant Richard D. Bratz

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Troopers Investigate Attempted Carjacking-New Castle

New Castle – The Delaware State Police arrested a man from Buffalo, New York for an attempted carjacking and assault that took place yesterday in New Castle.

The incident occurred at approximately 10:30 a.m., Friday, August 3, 2018, in the parking lot of the Dollar General located at 3056 New Castle Avenue. The victim, an 80-year-old female parked her vehicle and entered the store. After leaving the Dollar General, she was confronted by a white male, later identified as Shawn R. Hollowood, 30 of Buffalo, New York, in the area of her vehicle. Hollowood requested a ride from the victim, she declined and he assaulted her with a box cutter. It was at this time several patrons responded to her aid. The suspect then fled from the parking lot on foot into a nearby

wooded area. The victim was treated by EMS at the scene for her non-life threatening injury to her wrist.

At approximately 12:30 p.m. the New Castle County Police Department received a call that a male subject with self-inflicted injuries was in the area of East Avenue in New Castle. Through investigative measures the detectives were able to confirm him as the suspect involved in the attempted carjacking and assault at the Dollar General.

Hollowood was transported to a local area hospital where he was treated and released. After his release from a local area hospital, he was transported to Troop 2 where he was charged with Attempted Carjacking, Possession of a Deadly Weapon during the Commission of a Felony and Assault 2nd Degree. He was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institution in default of $45,000.00 secured bond.

Please call Delaware Crime Stoppers to report a crime at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com

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LAW ENFORCEMENT GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Who:

- 86th Municipal Recruit Class

When:

- Friday, August 3, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

Location:

- Wilmington University
- 3282 North DuPont Highway Dover, Delaware

Dignitaries Addressing the Graduates:

- Senator Thomas Carper
- Kate Rohner; Representing Senator Chris Coons
- Lieutenant Governor Bethany A. Hall-Long, State of Delaware

- Chief Prosecutor Stephen Welch, Representing Attorney General's Office
- Secretary Robert M. Coupe, Department of Safety and Homeland Security
- Colonel Nathaniel McQueen Jr., Superintendent, Delaware State Police

Class Speaker:

- John Wharton III – Millsboro Police Department

Dover – Delaware State Police Superintendent Colonel Nathaniel McQueen Jr. announces the graduation ceremonies for the 86th Municipal Recruit Class. The ceremonies celebrated and recognized the successful completion of Law Enforcement Training of eight Law Enforcement Officers representing the following; Department of Natural Resources Fish and Wildlife, Dover Police Department, Georgetown Police Department, Laurel Police Department, Middletown Police Department and Millsboro Police Department.

"One of the things that provides hope to the communities, strength to law enforcement and continues to inspire us all is knowing that there are citizens like you. Citizens willing to take up the cause, make the commitment to protect and serve and to accept the responsibility and the risk that comes with being a police officer."

Superintendent of the Delaware State Police, Colonel Nathaniel McQueen Jr.

Awards

The Attorney General's Award for Legal Excellence:

- Agent Nathaniel Valenti – Department of Natural Resources Fish and Wildlife

The Secretary of Safety and Homeland Security Award:

- Officer Dale Starke – Dover Police Department

The Delaware Police Chiefs' Council Award:

- Officer Makenzi Carter – Middletown Police Department

The Delaware State Police Academy Law Enforcement Core Values Award:

- Officer Giovanni Gomez – Georgetown Police Department

The Outstanding Proficiency in Police Firearms Award:

- Agent Nathaniel Valenti – Department of Natural Resources Fish and Wildlife

The Delaware State Police Academy Physical Fitness Award:

- Agent Nathaniel Valenti – Department of Natural Resources Fish and Wildlife

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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 Investigating Fatal Crash Involving a Motorcycle – Bear



Bear – The Delaware State Police have identified Spud M. Burns 3rd, 36, of Wilmington as the operator of a motorcycle, who was killed in a crash that occurred at approximately 11:29 p.m., Wednesday, August 1, 2018 on U.S. Rt. 40 eastbound, east of Church Rd., Bear.

Click on the following link to view the original release:

Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash Involving a Motorcycle – Bear

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information

regarding the incident is asked to contact Cpl. J. Breen of the Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit at 302-365-8486.

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 Arrest Millsboro Woman For Assault and Other Related Charges

Millsboro– The Delaware State Police have arrested a Millsboro woman after a domestic led to one victim sustaining serious injuries.

The incident occurred on Thursday, August 2, 2018 at approximately 5:21 p.m. when Troopers were dispatched to the area of Phillips Branch Road and Harbeson Road for a fight in progress. Upon arrival, Troopers observed a white Nissan Armada on the edge of the roadway with substantial damage to its passenger's side, and a Kawasaki motorcycle that was laid on its side. Contact was made with the driver of the motorcycle, a 27-year-old male and his wife, 25-year old **Yeiricel Contreras-Garcia,** who was standing next to him arguing.

It was learned that Contreras-Garcia had struck the motorcycle with her vehicle (Nissan Armada) because she saw her husband driving with his girlfriend on the back of the bike. After striking the motorcycle, Contreras-Garcia proceeded to engage in a physical altercation with the 28-year-old female of Selbyville, who was riding on the back of the bike.

The 28-year-old female was transported by ambulance to a local area hospital where she was later transferred to another hospital and admitted with serious injuries. The 27-year-old male declined medical treatment at the scene.

Yeiricel Contreras-Garcia was transported back to Troop 7 where she was charged with the following:

- Assault First Degree
- Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a

Felony (2 counts)
- Assault Second Degree
- Reckless Endanger First Degree (2 counts)
- Criminal Mischief
- Reckless Driving

Contreras-Garcia was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to the Delores J. Baylor Womens Correctional Institution on $70,000.00 secured bond.

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Domestic Incident Led to Shots Fired- Rehoboth Beach

Rehoboth Beach– The Delaware State Police have arrested two suspects after an altercation led to the discharge of a weapon.

The incident occurred on Thursday, August 2, 2018 at approximately 11:10 a.m., when police were dispatched to the 37000 of Johnson Street, for a report of a domestic incident. Upon arrival, Troopers located a 19-year-old male victim with injuries.

It was learned that the 19-year-old victim was visiting his mother's residence on Johnson Street, when his sister, 21 year-old **Delilah Boyernd** of Harrington, and her boyfriend 21-year-old **Marvin Burton** of Rehoboth Beach showed up at the residence. Marvin exited the vehicle and began confronting the 19-year-old, which led to a physical altercation. Marvin proceeded to go back to the vehicle he arrived in, at which time Delilah who was still in the driver's seat, placed the vehicle in drive and accelerated towards her brother's direction, missing him along with her other 22-year-old and 15-year-old brothers. However, Delilah struck a tree, causing the front windshield and passenger window to shatter. Delilah exited the vehicle and was screaming and yelling. Marvin then obtained a handgun from the glove box and a struggle between him and the 19-year-old ensued. Marvin struck the 19-year-old in the head with the handgun. While the two struggled over the gun, the weapon was discharged and the 19-year-old was able to take possession of the magazine. In

the meantime, Delilah's 50-year-old mother had exited her residence, at which time Delilah and she engaged in a physical altercation. Marvin and Delilah eventually proceeded back to the vehicle and fled the scene.

Troopers located the vehicle, a silver Kia Sol, along with the sole occupant, Delilah, in the subdivision of Aspen Meadows off of Munchy Branch Road, Rehoboth Beach. A short time later, Troopers located Marvin at his residence in the 35000 block of E. Atlantic Circle, where he was taken into custody without incident.

The 19-year-old male victim was transported by ambulance to a local area hospital where he was treated and released. The 22-year-old and 15-year-old male victims were not injured. The 50-year-old victim sustained minor injuries and declined medical treatment.

Located at the scene was a magazine for a .40 caliber handgun loaded with bullets. A search warrant was later executed on Marvin's residence, which led to the discovery of .40 caliber ammunition and a leather holster.

Marvin and Delilah were transported back to Troop 7.

Marvin Burton was charged with the following:

- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony
- Possession of a Firearm or Ammunition By a Person Prohibited (2 counts)
- Assault Second Degree
- Reckless Endanger First Degree
- Conspiracy 2nd

Marvin was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on $100,000.00 cash only bond.

Delilah Boyer was charged with the following:

- Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony (3 counts)
- Aggravated Menacing (3 counts)
- Conspiracy 2nd
- Assault 3rd Degree

Delilah was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to the Delores J. Baylor Women's Correctional Institution on $80,000 secured bond.

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Joint Investigation Leads to Multiple Charges -Dover

Dover- The Delaware State Police Kent County Drug Unit and the Dover Police Department Drugs, Vice, and Organized Crime Unit, concluded a two month drug investigation which led to multiple charges.

On Thursday, August 2, 2018 at approximately 9:30 a.m., a traffic stop was conducted on S. Dupont Highway in the area of Lebanon Road. Contact was made with the driver, 27-year-old **Eric K. Johnson** of Dover, who initially provided a false name. Subsequently Johnson was taken into custody and a search of his vehicle revealed approximately 1,326 bags of heroin (9.292 grams) and over $600.00 in suspected drug proceeds.

Johnson was known to frequent a residence in the River Chase Apartments, Dover. Subsequently a search warrant was executed at that residence. Upon the execution of the search warrant approximately 2,210 more bags of heroin (15.47 grams) and over $2,000.00 in suspected drug proceeds were located.

As a result of the search warrant and investigation, the home owner identified as 28-year-old **Maurita Guzman** was taken into custody without incident.

Eric K. Johnson was transported back to Troop 3 where he was charged with the following:

- Possession of Heroin in a Tier 5 quantity (2counts)
- Possession With Intent to Deliver Heroin Tier 4

(2counts)
- Conspiracy Second Degree
- Criminal Impersonation
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
- Traffic Violation

Johnson was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center on $102,501 secured bond.

Maurita Guzman was transported back to Troop 3 where she was charged with the following:

- Possession of Heroin in a Tier 5 quantity
- Conspiracy Second Degree
- Maintaining a Drug Property
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Guzman was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and released on $13,500.00 unsecured bond.

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Troopers Arrest Laurel Man for 7th Offense DUI

Laurel– The Delaware State Police arrest a Laurel man for his 7th offense DUI after he was involved in a single motorcycle crash.

The incident occurred on Wednesday, August 1, 2018 at approximately 2:03 p.m., when Troopers were dispatched to a crash on County Seat Highway, east of Fire Tower Road. Upon arrival to the scene, the Trooper located a subject laying on his side with his leg trapped in his moped. While speaking with the operator, 54-year-old **Bruce G. Williams Jr.,** an odor of alcohol was detected, and a DUI investigation ensued.

Williams was transported to the Laurel Police Department. A computer check revealed that Williams had six previous DUI convictions, making this his seventh offense. Williams was charged with 7th Offense DUI After 6 Prior Offenses, Driving After Judgment Prohibited, Driving While Suspended or Revoked, Failure to Have Insurance Identification in Possession, Operation of an Unregistered Motor Vehicle, and Fictitious Tags. He was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on $41,503.00 cash only bond.

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