

Troopers Arrest Newark Man for Pair of Knifepoint Robberies



Christian REDCAY

Newark— Delaware State Police have arrested **Christian J. Redcay**, 18, of Newark, on multiple charges stemming from two knifepoint robberies that took place in early May

The investigation began at approximately 8:46 p.m., Monday, May 7, 2018 when a robbery was reported at the Wings to Go, located in Peoples Plaza, Newark, in which a masked suspect

approached an employee while brandishing a knife and demanded money from the register.

A second incident which also involved a masked suspect brandishing a knife occurred at approximately 9:30 p.m., Sunday, May 13, 2018, at the Valero gas station, located at 2565 Pulaski Highway, Newark.

In both incidents the employee victims were not injured and the suspect made off with undisclosed amounts of cash.

Through a variety of investigative leads and measures detectives were able to develop Redcay as a suspect, and a search warrant executed at his residence on Wednesday, May 23, 2018, produced evidence positively linking him to both robberies.

Redcay was taken in to custody and transported to Troop 2 where he was charged with two counts each of Robbery 1st Degree, Wearing a Disguise During the Commission of a Felony, Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony and one count of Conspiracy 2nd Degree. He was then arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #2 before being committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institution in lieu of \$254,000.00 secured bail.

Anyone with further information regarding these incidents are asked to contact Det. B. McDerby of the Troop 2 Robbery Unit at 302-365-8436.

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Troopers Seek Public's Assistance in Identifying Burglary Suspects

Newark – Delaware State Police are investigating a burglary that took place at a Newark area liquor store in April and are asking for the public's assistance in identifying the suspects.

The incident occurred at approximately 2:49 a.m., Friday,

April 27, 2018, at Paper Mill Liquors, located at 364 Possum Park Road Newark. Two suspects wearing all dark clothing smashed out the front entry door to gain access to the business. Once inside the suspects removed the ATM machine and loaded it onto an industrial style flatbed truck which was equipped with a hydraulic lift. They then fled northbound on Paper Mill Road.

Further investigation determined that the truck, which was confirmed to be a 2006 Chevrolet 4500, had been stolen from a construction site located in the 1800 block of DuPont Parkway, Middletown, at approximately 12:10 a.m., this same date.

Both the ATM and the truck have since been recovered.

Anyone with information regarding this incident or who may be able to identify the pictured suspects is asked to contact Detective D. DeFlaviis at Troop 2 by calling 302-365-8388.

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Traffic Stop Leads To Drug Arrest – Dover

Dover – Delaware State Police have arrested **Jeffrey M. Helm Jr., 31, of Dover** on multiple drug related offenses after he was stopped for a traffic violation Monday evening.

The incident occurred at approximately 6:26 p.m., Monday, May 21, 2018, when a Trooper stopped a silver Ford Crown Victoria for speeding, on E. Lebanon Road (SR 10) in the area of S. State Street, Dover. Contact was made with Helm, the driver and sole occupant of the vehicle, who was unable to provide proof of insurance.

While conducting an inventory search of the vehicle the Trooper detected an odor of marijuana emanating from the center console area. Upon continuing the search the following was discovered:

- 1.35 grams of heroin
- 409 doses of LSD
- 70.06 grams of psilocybin mushrooms
- 375.16 grams of marijuana
- 2.6 grams of cocaine
- 72.4 grams of THC infused cookies
- 105.48 grams of butane honey oils
- 375 mgs. Of “Cheese Hits” (marijuana infused cheese snacks)
- 26 grams of resin oils in multiple glass containers
- 49 THC cartridges

Helm was transported to Delaware State Police Troop 3 where he was charged with the following:

- Possession with Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance (5 counts)
- Possession of Controlled Substance in a Tier 1 Quantity
- Possession of a Controlled Substance in a Tier 4 Quantity
- Possession of a Controlled Substance in a Tier 5 Quantity
- Possession of a Controlled Substance in a Tier 1 Quantity w/ Aggravating Factor
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
- Speeding
- No Proof of Insurance

Helm was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #7 and released on \$56,851 unsecured bail.

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Troopers Investigating Serious Crash – Delmar



Delmar – Delaware State Police are investigating a single vehicle crash that took place Sunday evening, resulting in one subject being hospitalized in critical condition.

The incident occurred at approximately 7:17 p.m., Sunday, May 20, 2018, on Old Stage Road south of Whitesville Road, Delmar. A 2002 GMC Yukon, operated by Juan Gomez-Gomez, 35, of Laurel, was traveling Old Stage road northbound at an apparent high rate of speed while passing other vehicles. The GMC experienced a rear tire blow out which caused Gomez-Gomez to lose control. The vehicle then traveled off the roadway, overturning multiple times, resulting in the driver and his passenger being ejected from the vehicle.

Gomez-Gomez was transported to Peninsula Regional Medical Center (PRMC) in Salisbury, Maryland, where he was treated for minor injuries. The passenger, a 30 year old Laurel man, was also

transported to PRMC where he was admitted in critical condition.

Impairment was a factor on Gomez-Gomez behalf and warrants are currently on file charging him with Vehicular Assault 1st Degree, DUI, Unreasonable Speed and No Valid License. Arrest action is pending extradition from Maryland, where he is being held as an out of state fugitive.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding the incident is asked to contact Sgt. A. Mendez of the Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit at 302-644-5020.

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Troopers Attempting To Locate Robbery Suspect – Millsboro

Millsboro – Delaware State Police are investigating a robbery stemming from a domestic related incident and are asking for the public's assistance in locating the suspect.

The investigation began at approximately 3:10 a.m., Sunday, May 20, 2018, when Troopers responded to a domestic incident at a residence located in the Oak Forest development, Millsboro.

The investigation determined that the suspect, David A. Ciabattoni, 34, of Millsboro, unlawfully entered the residence, in violation of a no contact order, and assaulted the 38 year old female victim before fleeing with her purse and vehicle. The vehicle has since been recovered.

Warrants are currently on file charging Ciabattoni with Robbery 1st Degree, Terroristic Threatening, Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle and Breach of Release.

Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Ciabattoni is asked to contact Cpl. M. Venero of Troop 7 at 302-703-3290 or by calling 911.

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***UPDATE-Passenger Succumbs To
Injuries* Troopers
Investigating Head On
Collision- State Route 1
Middletown**



Middletown – Christopher Sadler, 41, of Concord, North Carolina, who was a passenger in a 2016 Nissan Pathfinder, that was involved in a head on collision that occurred at approximately 12:09 a.m., Saturday, May 19, 2018, on State Route 1 in the area of Pole Bridge Road, Middletown, succumbed to his injuries on Saturday, May 19 at 10:45 a.m.

The investigation is ongoing and no charges have been filed at this time. Anyone with information regarding the crash is asked to contact Cpl. J. Breen of the Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit at 302-365-8486.

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Troopers Investigating Serious Crash Involving Golf Cart – Dagsboro



Dagsboro – Delaware State Police are investigating a serious crash involving a golf cart that took place in Tuckahoe Acres last night.

The incident occurred at approximately 8:14 p.m., Saturday, May 19, 2018, at the Tuckahoe Acres Camping Resort, Dagsboro. Thomas Rivera, 47, of Lebanon, Pennsylvania was operating an EZ-Go golf cart on Tuckahoe Trail in the area of Sitting Bull Trail, with a 47 year old female, also from Lebanon

Pennsylvania as a front seat passenger. Rivera lost control of the golf cart which caused both he and his passenger to be ejected from the vehicle and thrown to the roadway.

The female passenger sustained serious injuries and was flown by Delaware State Police helicopter to Peninsula Regional Medical Center.

Thomas Rivera sustained minor injuries and was also treated at Peninsula Regional Medical Center.

Rivera was charged with Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and released, pending a future court appearance.

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Middletown High School Student Arrested for Brandishing Handgun

Middletown – Delaware State Police have arrested Tymere Moore, 18, of Middletown on weapons and assault charges stemming from an incident at Middletown High School.

The incident began at approximately 10:50 a.m., Friday, May 18, 2018, at Middletown High School, located at 120 Silver Lake Road, Middletown, when Moore became involved in a verbal altercation with an 18 year old female student in the hallway. The altercation escalated when Moore threw a bottle at the female, which struck her in the head, causing a minor injury. An 18 year old male student who witnessed the incident intervened, and became engaged in a verbal altercation with Moore, at which time the two agreed to move to a nearby bathroom to continue the argument. Once in the bathroom Moore removed a 9mm handgun from his book bag and pointed it at the male student. Both Moore and the male student then exited the bathroom without further incident. The male student was not injured as a result of the incident.

Soon after the incident school administrators received information that Moore was possibly in possession of a handgun. Moore was immediately located within the school and an attempt was made to escort him to a secure area. He refused to comply with the request and a physical altercation ensued, which resulted in Moore striking one of the administrators. Moore was eventually brought under control by assisting staff members and moved to a secure office. Once in the office an administrative search of Moore's book bag produced a 9mm

handgun.

Moore was taken in to custody by responding Troopers without incident and transported to Delaware State Police Troop 9. Further investigation determined that Moore stole the handgun from a vehicle, earlier this same day, prior to arriving at the school.

Moore was charged with one count each of the following:

- Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon
- Possession of a Weapon in a Safe School Zone
- Theft of a Firearm
- Aggravated Menacing
- Assault 3rd Degree
- Offensive Touching

Moore was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #2 and then committed to the James T. Vaughn Correctional Institution on \$29,250.00 secured bail.

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Juvenile Charged with Making Bomb Threat – Millsboro

Millsboro – Delaware State Police have arrested a 14 year old male from Millsboro for making a bomb threat at a local middle school.

The incident occurred at approximately 6:02 p.m., Friday, May 18, 2018, at Millsboro Middle School, located at 302 E. State Street, Millsboro, as the school's 8th grade formal dance was taking place.

The Sussex County Emergency Operations Center (SUSCOM) began to receive multiple 911 calls from an unknown male caller who stated that there was a bomb in the school. Due to the dance taking place, the Trooper assigned as the School Resource Officer was already on site and with the assistance of the Millsboro and Dagsboro Police Departments, the school was evacuated without incident. A subsequent K-9 search of the school determined that no explosive device was present.

Further investigative measures determined that the phone call was originating from an address in the Oak Orchard area of Millsboro. Troopers responded to the residence and made contact with a 14 year old male who was confirmed to have made the 911 calls.

The juvenile was taken in to custody and transported to Delaware State Police Troop 4 where he was charged with one count of Terroristic Threatening. He was then arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #3 and released to his parents on

\$1000.00 unsecured bail, pending an appearance in Family Court.

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Troopers Investigating Head On Collision- State Route 1 Middletown



Middletown – Delaware State Police are investigating a serious crash involving a wrong way driver on State Route 1 in Middletown, that has sent three people to the hospital.

The incident occurred at approximately 12:09 a.m., Saturday, May 19, 2018, on State Route 1 in the area of Pole Bridge Road, Middletown. A 2006 Chevrolet Malibu, driven by a 24 year old Wilmington woman, was traveling SR 1 southbound in the northbound lanes of travel, north of the Roth Bridge. The Chevrolet continued southbound in the northbound lanes, crossing the bridge and proceeding through the Biddles Toll Plaza.

A 2016 Nissan Pathfinder, being driven by a 39 year old Concord, North Carolina woman was traveling SR 1 northbound in the left lane, just north of the Pole Bridge Road interchange, following behind another vehicle. As the Chevrolet approached,

the lead vehicle was able to swerve out of the way to avoid a collision, however the Nissan was unable to do so and was struck head on.

The operator of the Chevrolet who was properly restrained, was transported to the Christiana Hospital with serious injuries. Impairment is being considered as a factor on her behalf.

The operator of the Nissan who was properly restrained, was transported to the Christiana Hospital with non-life threatening injuries. Impairment is not being considered a factor on her behalf.

A 41 year old Concord, North Carolina man, who was a passenger in the Nissan and not wearing a seatbelt, was also transported to the Christiana Hospital with serious injuries.

SR 1 northbound in the area of Pole Bridge Road was closed for approximately 2 hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

The investigation is ongoing and no charges have been filed at this time. Anyone with information regarding the crash is asked to contact Cpl. J. Breen of the Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit at 302-365-8486.

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