TRAFFIC ADVISORY S. Dupont Blvd (RT 13) at Brenford Road Closed Due to Crash-Smyrna



Smyrna – Delaware State Police are on scene of a two vehicle crash involving a tractor trailer that occurred at approximately 6:02 a.m., Monday, May 7, 2018, which has southbound South Dupont Boulevard (RT. 13) at Brenford Road closed.

Motorists can expect delays in the area and are advised to seek alternate routes of travel. For information regarding traffic conditions 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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Troopers Arrest Theft Suspects – Rehoboth Beach and Angola Area

Rehoboth Beach / Angola – The Delaware State Police have arrested four suspects in connection with multiple crimes including thefts from vehicles.

The suspects identified as Brian H. Davis, 28 of Rehoboth Beach, Brittani N. Pate, 24 of Dover, Richard T. Descano, 27 of Hockessin and Zachary Huss, 24 of Lewes, were connected to multiple crimes which included thefts from motor vehicles in the Rehoboth Beach and Angola areas. This active and ongoing investigation initiated two months ago with several vehicle

break in complaints. Through investigative measures, the Property Unit Detectives were able to link the suspects to these thefts and obtained warrants for their arrests. Brian Davis and his girlfriend, Brittani Pate, also had felony theft warrants out of the Millsboro Police Department where the victim is over 62 years old.

On Thursday, May 2, 2018, Brian Davis and Brittani Pate were sighted at the Rehoboth Beach Mall and fled from responding units. The very next day at approximately 8:52 a.m., troopers from Troop 7 sighted Brian Davis and Brittani Pate walking on SR 1 north of SR 24 in the Rehoboth area. Brittani Pate was apprehended after a brief foot pursuit. Brian Davis fled into the nearby Maplewood development. Multiple troopers from Troop 4 Criminal Investigative Unit, Troop 7 Administration and Patrol Troopers, Troop 7 Proactive Criminal Enforcement Unit with the Delaware State Police Aviation Unit established a perimeter and conducted a search of the area. A concerned and helpful citizen called 911 to report the suspect fleeing on a bicycle through the development. Troopers observed Brian Davis traveling on Postal Lane on a bicycle. He was taken into custody without further incident after he had been hiding in the crawlspace of a residence in the Maplewood Development. Davis had also stolen the bicycle from that residence. That homeowner was contacted and the bicycle was returned. Brian Davis was charged for the additional theft. Richard Descano and Zachary Huss who conspired with Brian Davis, to enter multiple vehicles and commit the thefts were arrested as well on May 3, 2018 without incident.

Brian H. Davis, 28 of Rehoboth Beach, was transported to Delaware State Police Troop 4 and charged with multiple crimes. He was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Court 3 and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution in default $54,000.00 secured bond. He was arrested on 74 criminal charges consisting of:

- Criminal Trespassing

- Attempted Theft
- Theft (F)
- Theft Under $1500.00 and Victim is 62 Years of Age or Older (F) (Millsboro PD)
- Conspiracy (F)
- Criminal Mischief
- Resisting Arrest
- Shoplifting
- Unlawful Use of a Payment Card (Millsboro PD)

Brittani N. Pate, 24 of Dover, was transported to Troop 4 and subsequently committed to the Delores J. Baylor Women's Correctional Institution in default of $5000.00 secured bond, stemming from her Millsboro Police Department charges of Theft Under $1500 and Victim is 62 years of Age or Older (F), Conspiracy and Resisting Arrest.

Richard T. Descano, 27 of Hockessin, was transported to Delaware State Police Troop 4 and charged with multiple crimes. He was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Court 3 and released on $52,000.00 unsecured bond. He was arrested on 70 criminal charges consisting of:

- Criminal Trespassing
- Attempted Theft
- Theft (F)
- Conspiracy (F)
- Criminal Mischief

Zachary A. Huss, 24 of Lewes, was transported to Delaware State Police Troop 4 and was charged with multiple crimes. He was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Court 3 and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution in default of $52,000.00 secured bond. He was arrested on 70 criminal charges consisting of:

- Criminal Trespassing
- Attempted Theft

- Theft (F)
- Conspiracy (F)
- Criminal Mischief

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with additional information regarding these or other incidents is asked to contact Sgt. L. Weller of the Troop 4, Georgetown Property Crimes Unit at 302-752-3802.

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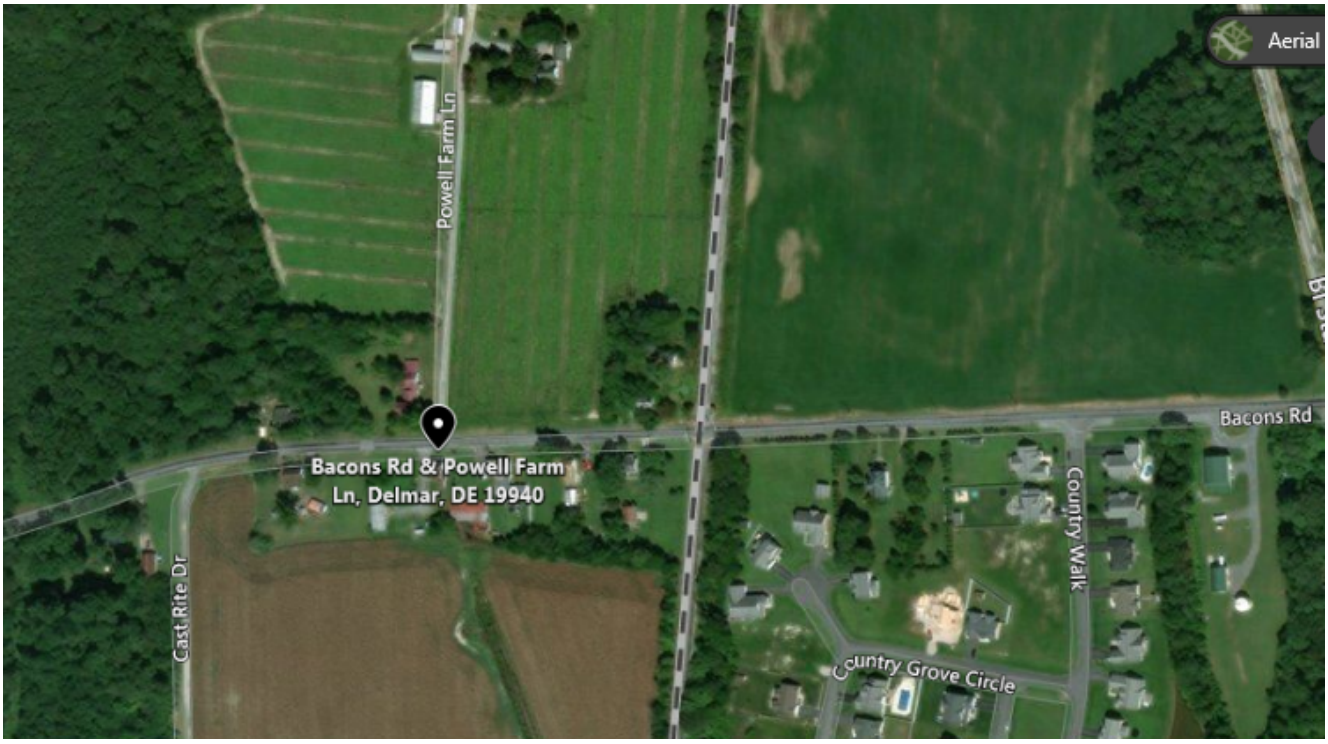
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Final Update Troopers

Investigating Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash Involving a Train-Delmar



Delmar – The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit are currently investigating a fatal crash involving a vehicle and a train that occurred yesterday morning north of Delmar.

The preliminary investigation revealed the incident occurred at approximately 8:57 a.m., Friday, May 4th 2018 on Bacons Road between Powell Farm Lane and Country Walk west of Bi-State Boulevard north of Delmar.

A 2017 Ford Focus passenger vehicle was traveling east bound on Bacons Road approaching a railroad crossing with the red railroad crossing signals flashing and the audible bell sounding. At that same time, a train was traveling south bound approaching Bacons Road. The engineer of the train was sounding the audible horn as the train approached the

intersection.

For unknown reasons, the driver failed to see and or hear the active railroad crossing warning safety devices. The passenger vehicle crossed the tracks in front of the train and as a result, the front of the train struck the left side of the vehicle. After impact, the vehicle was forced south bound as it rotated clockwise off the west side of the tracks. The vehicle came to rest in a private yard on the south west corner of the intersection. The locomotive which was pulling five empty grain cars and one additional locomotive was stopped upright on the tracks south of the intersection.

The operator of the Ford Focus, Raelyn Huffman, 22 of Delmar, who was not properly restrained, was pronounced deceased on scene as a result of the injuries she sustained in this collision.

The Engineer and the Conductor on the train did not sustain any injuries.

The locomotive is a 1970 General Motors Diesel GMD SD40-2, owned by Delmarva Central Railroad.

The traffic signal crossing warning devices were checked and found to be functioning properly following the collision.

The National Transportation Safety Board and the Federal Railroad Administration were contacted and notified of this collision.

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control was notified and found no fluids or contaminants to be leaking.

The roadway in the area of the crash was closed for approximately four hours while the investigation was completed and the roadway was cleared.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information

regarding the incident is asked to contact Master Corporal K. Argo of the Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit at 302-644-5020.

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Homeless Sex Offender Notification

Dover– The following are not wanted. This is a Homeless Sex Offender Public Notification. 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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Troop 4, Georgetown Presents a “Year in Review” to the Communities We Serve

The Delaware State Police Troop 4 Administration held a community meeting on Thursday, April 26, 2018 at 10:00 a.m., at the Sussex County Emergency Operations Center, 21911 Rudder Lane, led by Captain Rodney Layfield. Troopers were privileged to have hosted a meeting where the public was provided with an overview of the great work done by the men and women of DSP Troop 4 in 2017. Achieving a 35.3% reduction

in Robberies, a 17.8% reduction in Burglaries, and 28.8% reduction in Shopliftings simply exemplifies the exceptional work the troopers are doing. Moreover, when you examine many of our clearance rates of crime we demonstrate a deep desire to solve our crime. With Aggravated Assaults having the highest clearance rate since 2008, Thefts having the highest clearance rate on record, and an overall reduction in crashes clearly shows the dedication of our troopers.

Equally important to our crime fighting and traffic enforcement measures is our commitment to suppress and prevent crime through our community outreach and engagement efforts. In 2017, Troop 4 embarked on several community based programs to build trust, open lines of communication, foster positive and open relationships that are inclusive of all citizens and the police, all aimed at crime reduction and making our communities as safe as possible. Some of the most memorable events in 2017 included:

- Hosting Community Cafés at the McDonalds in Selbyville and Fenwick
- Participating at the Brandywine Assisted Living Mother’s Day Event
- Assisting with the Georgetown Elementary Career Day
- Partnering with the DSP Mounted Patrol Unit for a Camp Barnes Demonstration
- Participating in the Anti-Drug March in Georgetown
- Hosting the DSP Trunk or Treat
- Assisting with the Turkey Delivery at the Boys and Girls Club in Georgetown

These pro-active efforts not only provide the community with a better understanding of the Delaware State Police, it also enhances Troopers awareness of the various cultures that exist within the communities they serve.

We truly appreciate and thank all those in attendance for joining us to learn more about DSP T4.

Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Melissa Jaffe

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Troopers Investigating Robbery of Newark Gas Station



Newark (19702) – Delaware State Police are investigating a robbery at a Newark area gas station that took place yesterday morning.

The incident occurred at approximately 9:07 a.m., Thursday, May 3, 2018, at the Shore Stop, located at 796 S. Old Baltimore Pike, Newark. A black male suspect approached the 24 year old male employee at the sales counter and proceeded to make a purchase. As the employee was completing the

transaction, the suspect demanded money from the register while implying that he had a gun. The employee complied with the demand by turning over an undisclosed amount of cash. Once obtaining the money, the suspect fled in an unknown direction. The employee was not injured as a result of the incident.

The suspect was described as black male, 6'00"-6'4" tall, 150-190 lbs., wearing a light colored shirt and jeans.

No surveillance images are available at this time.

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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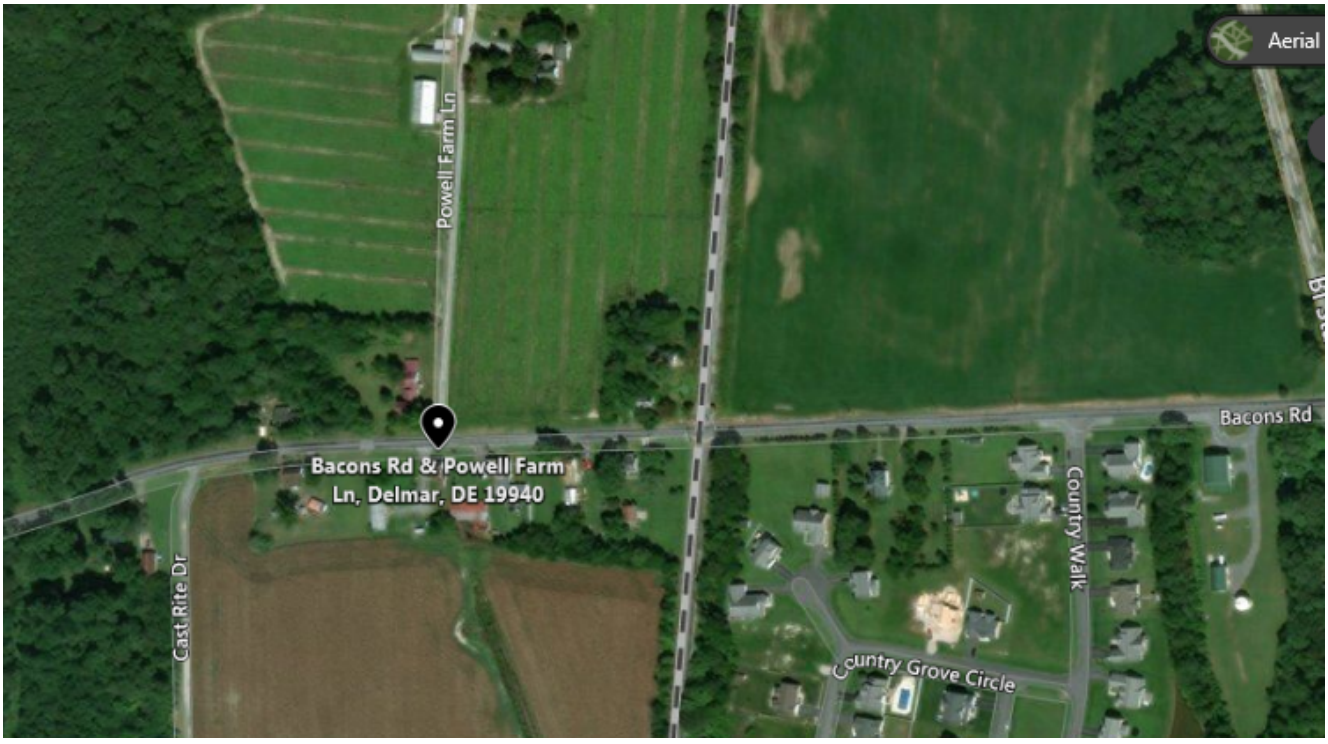
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Update Troopers Investigating Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash Involving Train



Delmar – Delaware State Police are on scene of a fatal crash involving a vehicle and a train that occurred this morning.

The incident occurred at approximately 8:58 a.m., Friday, May 4, 2018, on Bacons Road between Powell Farm Lane and Country Walk. A passenger vehicle was traveling eastbound on Bacons Road when a train was traveling southbound on the railroad tracks. The vehicle had crossed onto the railroad tracks and

was subsequently struck by the train. The driver of the passenger car was pronounced dead at the scene by EMS.

The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) has been notified of the crash and officials from the Delmarva Central Railroad are on scene. Bacons Road between Powell Farm Lane and Country Walk still remains closed at this time.

Motorists can expect delays in the area and are advised to seek alternate routes of travel. For information regarding traffic conditions and road closure information click on the following link:

http://www.deldot.gov/Traffic/travel_advisory/index.shtml#advisories.

Click on link for original release: *TRAFFIC ADVISORY* Bacons Road Closed Due to Crash- Delmar

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding the incident is asked to contact Master Corporal K. Argo of the Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit at 302-644-5020.

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Vehicle Pursuit Leads to the Arrest of Two Suspects and Multiple Charges-Seaford

Seaford– The Delaware State Police arrest two suspects after the discovery of a stolen motor vehicle led to a pursuit.

The incident occurred on Friday, May 4, 2018 at approximately 12:25 a.m. when a Trooper witnessed a silver Cadillac CTS traveling southbound on Old Furnace Road in the area of Middleford Road. A computer check revealed that the vehicle was reported stolen out of the Salisbury Police Department. As the Trooper activated their emergency equipment in an attempt to stop the vehicle, the operator pulled into a private driveway on Hastings Farm Road. When the Trooper exited their vehicle, the driver of the Cadillac

proceeded to pull off and a pursuit ensued. The vehicle collided into a stop sign at the intersection of Church Road and Concord Road, before coming to a stop. The operator, identified as 21-year-old **Mikeyah Brewer** of Seaford and passenger, 33-year-old **Troy Sanders** of Laurel exited the vehicle and a foot pursuit ensued. With the assistance of the Delaware State Police Aviation unit, both suspects were apprehended and subsequently taken into custody without further incident. A search of the vehicle was conducted and yielded drug paraphernalia.

Brewer and Sanders were transported back to Troop 5. Brewer was charged with Receiving Stolen Property (Felony), Failure to Stop on the Command of a Police Officer (Felony), Resisting Arrest, Reckless Driving, Driving While Suspended, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and multiple related traffic offenses. She was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 3 and committed to the Delores J. Baylor Women's Correctional Institution on $7,911.00 secured bond. Sanders was charged with Conspiracy 1st (Felony) and Resisting Arrest. He was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 3 and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on $6,000.00 secured bond.

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Troopers Investigating Hockessin Bank Robbery



Hockessin– Delaware State Police are investigating a robbery at the Lantana Square M&T Bank that took place Wednesday afternoon.

The incident occurred at approximately 4:34 p.m., Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at the M&T Bank, located at 151 Lantana Drive, Hockessin. A white male suspect approached the teller counter and presented a demand note to a 58 year old female employee. The employee complied with the instructions on the note and turned over an undisclosed amount of cash to the suspect, who then fled in an unknown direction. The employee was not injured as a result of the incident.

The suspect was described as a white male, 25-30 years of age, 5'6"-5'9", 150-160 lbs., wearing all dark clothing.

No surveillance images are available at this time.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Detective A. Tenebruso of the Troop 2 Robbery Unit at 302-365-8435.

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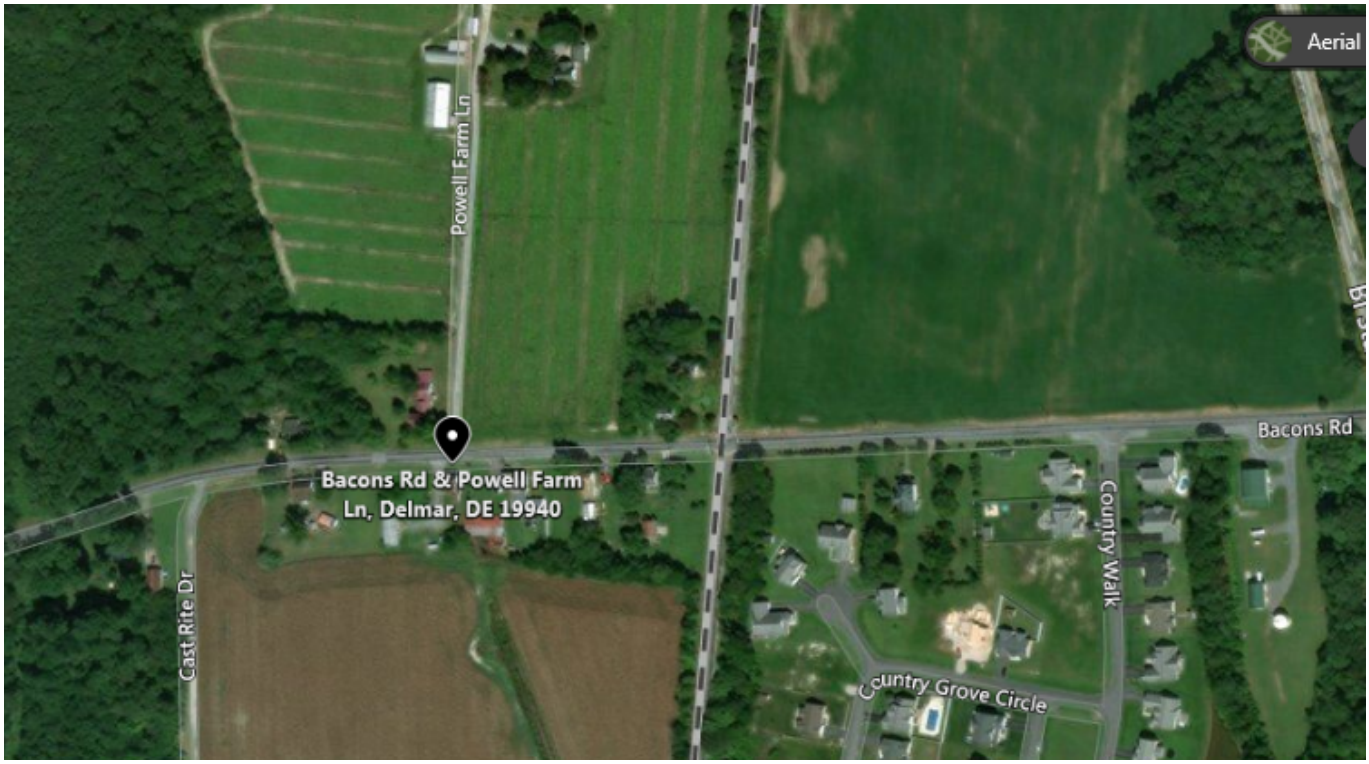
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TRAFFIC ADVISORY Bacons Road Closed Due to Crash-Delmar



Delmar – Delaware State Police are on scene of a crash involving a vehicle and a train that occurred at approximately 8:58 a.m., Friday, May 4, 2018, which has Bacons Road between

Powell Farm Lane and Country Walk closed.

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