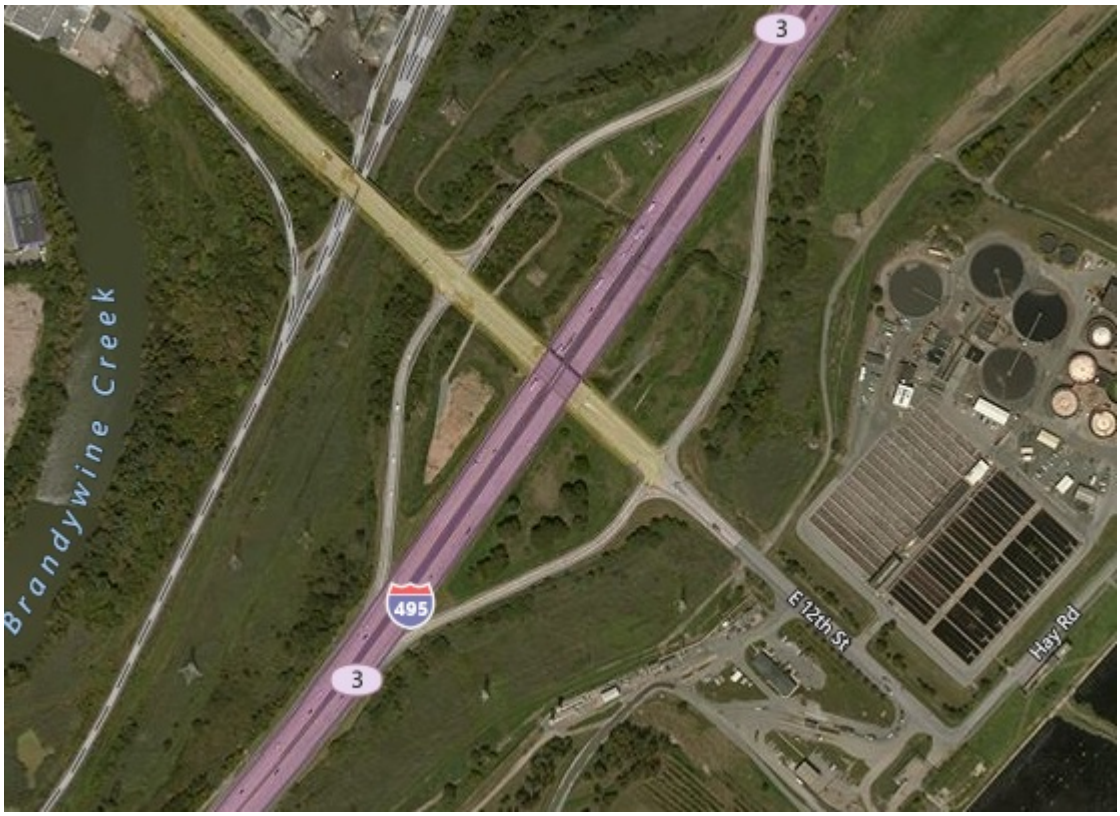
UPDATE-Roadway Re-opened Vehicle Crash has I-495 Northbound Closed at Terminal Avenue



Wilmington All lanes of I-495 northbound, that were closed as a result of a motor vehicle crash that occurred at approximately 1:37 pm., Wednesday, April 4, 2018, in the area of 12th Street, have been re-opened.

The investigation is ongoing with further details being released as they become available.

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Traffic Advisory Vehicle Crash has I-495 Northbound Closed at Terminal Avenue

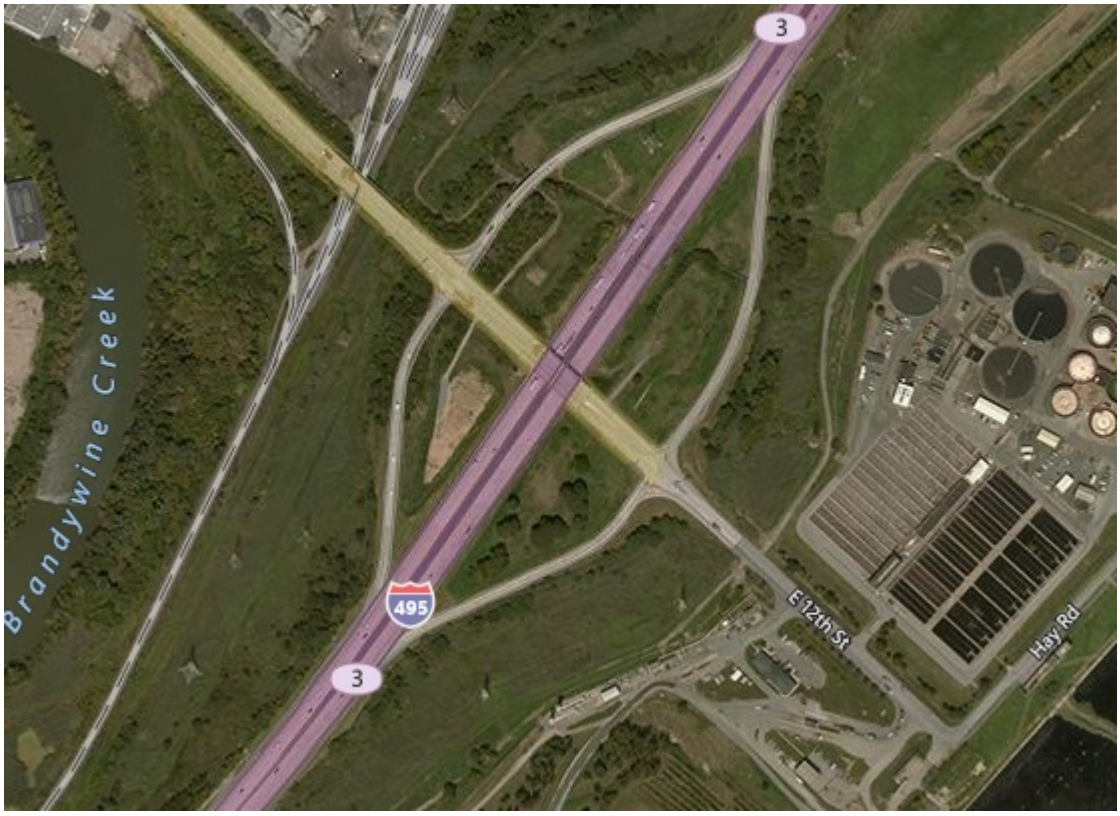
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Traffic Advisory Vehicle Crash has I-495 Northbound Closed at Terminal Avenue



Wilmington – Delaware State Police are currently on scene of a motor vehicle crash that occurred at approximately 1:37 pm., Wednesday, April 4, 2018, on I-495 northbound in the area of 12th Street. All lanes of I-495 northbound are closed, with all traffic being forced to exit at Terminal Avenue.

For updated traffic conditions and road closure information log onto:

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Traffic Stop Leads to Weapon and Drug Charges-Felton

Felton- The Delaware State Police arrest a suspect after a traffic stops leads to the discovery of a weapon and drugs.

The incident occurred on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at approximately 5:50 p.m. when Troopers observed a 2006 red Ford Mustang traveling northbound on South Dupont Highway with a cracked windshield. Troopers initiated a traffic stop on the vehicle and made contact with the operator, identified as 24-year-old **Robert Harding** of Felton. Further investigation led to the discovery of a loaded 40 caliber Glock handgun with 15 rounds, located in Harding's waistband. A further search of Harding's person yielded 18.53 grams of crack cocaine, 4.38 grams of cocaine, and 10 Ecstasy pills. A search of the vehicle revealed a digital scale.

Harding was transported to Troop 3 where he was charged with three counts of Possession With Intent to Deliver, Possession

of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony, Possession of a Substance in a Tier 3 Quantity, Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon, two counts of Possession of a Controlled or Counterfeit Substance Without a Prescription, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and a Safety Glass violation. He was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center on $42,201.00 secured bond.

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Traffic Stop Leads to Drug

Arrest- Georgetown

Georgetown- The Delaware State Police arrest a suspect after a traffic stops leads to the discovery of drugs.

The incident occurred on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at approximately 10:25 a.m. when a Trooper observed a red Ford Taurus traveling eastbound on Hardscrabble Road, above the posted speed limit. As the Trooper activated his emergency equipment, the operator, identified as 20-year-old **Cory R. Mister** of Seaford continued traveling eastbound. Mister lost control of his vehicle, crashed into a ditch and attempted to flee the scene on foot. A brief foot pursuit ensued and subsequently Mister was taken into custody. Further investigation revealed that Mister was in possession of over $17,000 in suspected drug proceeds and 407.65 grams of marijuana.

Mister was transported back to Troop 4 where he was charged with Possession of Marijuana, Resisting Arrest, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Tampering With Physical Evidence, Reckless Driving, and other multiple traffic related offenses. He was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and released on $9,110.00 unsecured bond.

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DSP S.O.A.R. Searching For Wanted Sex Offenders

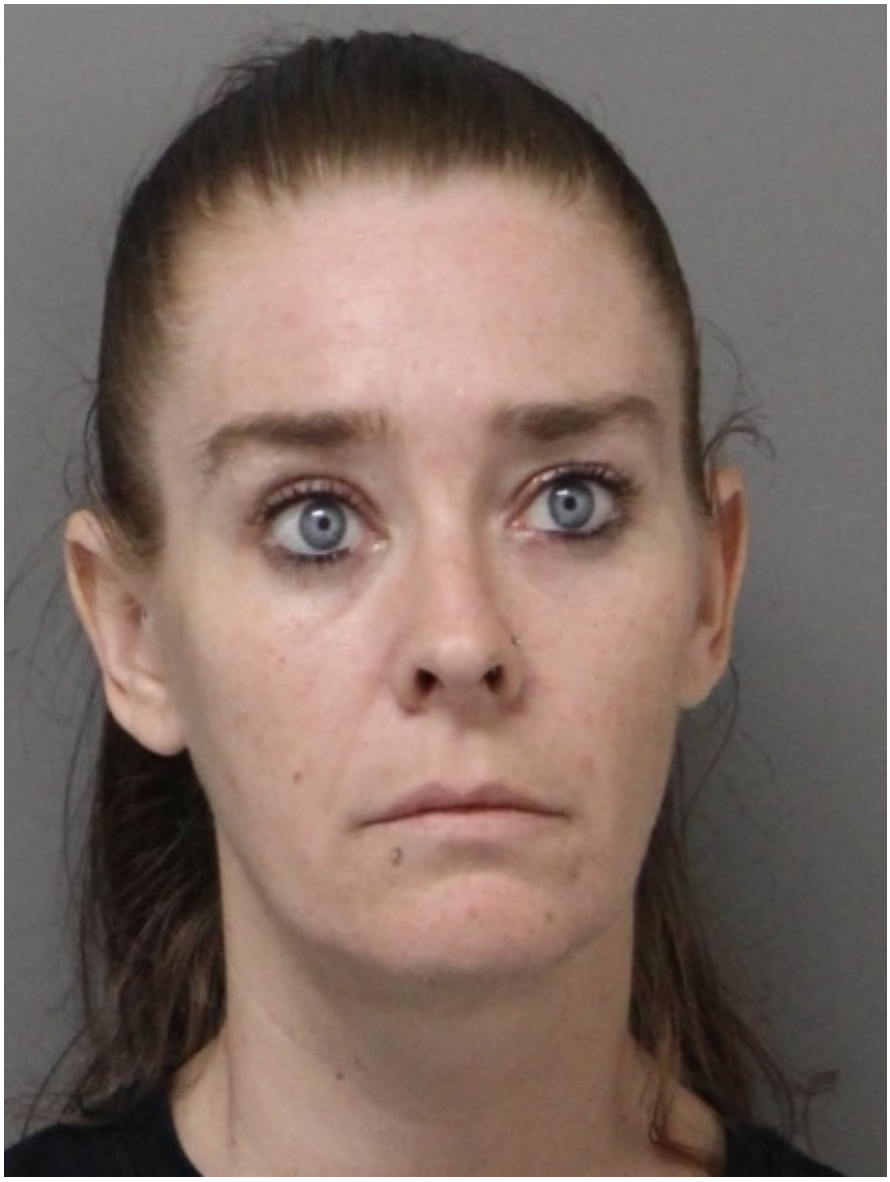
Dover, DE- The Delaware State Police Sex Offender Apprehension and Registration Unit (S.O.A.R) is currently looking for the following wanted sex offenders after they either failed to register or re-register their current address. If anyone knows the location of these subjects, they are asked to call 302-672-5306. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com/

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Troopers Arrest House Cleaner for Identity Theft – Greenwood



Greenwood – Delaware State Police have arrested a local house cleaner on multiple felony charges, after it was discovered that over over a three month time period, she had stolen multiple checks from her 72 year old client, and then forged their signature, before cashing them.

The investigation determined that in December of 2017, Jodi L Wright, 39, of Felton was hired to clean a private residence, located in the 9000 block of Blacksmith Shop Road, Greenwood. In March, 2018 the victim noticed suspicious activity on her bank account at which time multiple unauthorized transactions were discovered. Further examination of bank records identified 25 fraudulent transactions in which checks were cashed, totaling $9,200.00.

On Friday, March 29, 2018 Wright was arrested and formally charged with the following:

- Identity Theft (F)
- Theft Under $1500 (Victim 62 years of age or older) (F)
- Forgery 2nd Degree (F) 25 COUNTS
- Theft by False Pretense Over $1500 (F)

Wright was then arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #3 and released on $128,000.00 unsecured bond.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact M/Cpl. C. Arnold at Troop 5 by calling 302-232-3479.

If you have employed Wright and believe you may have been victimized contact your local police agency.

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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Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

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Traffic Stop Leads to Recovery of Guns and Drugs –

Townsend

Townsend – Delaware State Police have arrested two Smyrna men on weapons and drug offenses, after being stopped for a traffic violation early Saturday morning.

The incident occurred at approximately 12:50 a.m., Saturday, March 31, 2018, when Troopers pulled over a 2014 Kia Forte, for failing to stop at a red light at the intersection of U.S. 13 northbound and DE Rt. 71, in Townsend.

Upon making contact with the occupants, who were identified as Raymond C. Robinson Jr., 23, the driver and Mark A. Lee, 20, a passenger, an odor of marijuana was detected coming from the vehicle. Robinson's 6 month old daughter was also an occupant in the vehicle.

A subsequent search of the vehicle produced a loaded Smith & Wesson 9mm handgun, a loaded Taurus 9mm handgun, along with additional ammunition and a 9mm magazine. In addition to the firearms, Troopers also recovered .7 grams of Heroin, 16.81 grams of Marijuana and $497.00 in suspected drug money.

Upon being advised of his arrest Robinson briefly struggled with Troopers while being handcuffed but was quickly subdued, and taken into custody without further incident. Lee was compliant, and was taken into custody without incident. The daughter was turned over to the custody of family members.

Robinson and Lee were transported to Delaware State Police Troop 9 where they were each charged with the following:

- Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon (2 counts)
- Possession of a Deadly Weapon by Person Prohibited (2 counts)
- Endangering the Welfare of a Child
- Possession of Heroin
- Possession of Marijuana

Robinson was additionally charged with Resisting Arrest and Failing to Stop at a Flashing Red Light.

Robinson was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #11 and then committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institution in lieu of $27,252.00 cash bail.

Lee was also committed to HRYCI in lieu of $26,571.00 cash bail.

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Troopers Investigating

Robbery of Newark Gas Station



Newark (19702) – Delaware State Police are investigating the robbery of a Newark area Shell gas station that occurred Sunday morning.

The incident occurred at approximately 11:56 a.m., Sunday, April 1, 2018, at the Shell gas station, located at 2410 Pulaski Highway, Newark. A male suspect approached the 68 year old employee at the sales counter and proceeded to make a purchase. As the employee opened the register to complete the transaction, the suspect demanded all the money from the register and then ordered the victim to lie down on the floor. The victim complied, at which time the suspect reached into the register and removed an undisclosed amount of cash, before proceeding behind the sales counter, where he removed an unknown quantity of lottery tickets. After obtaining the cash and lottery tickets the suspect fled the business in an

unknown direction. The employee was not injured as a result of the incident.

The suspect is described as a black male, early to mid-20's, wearing a light colored sweatshirt.

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.

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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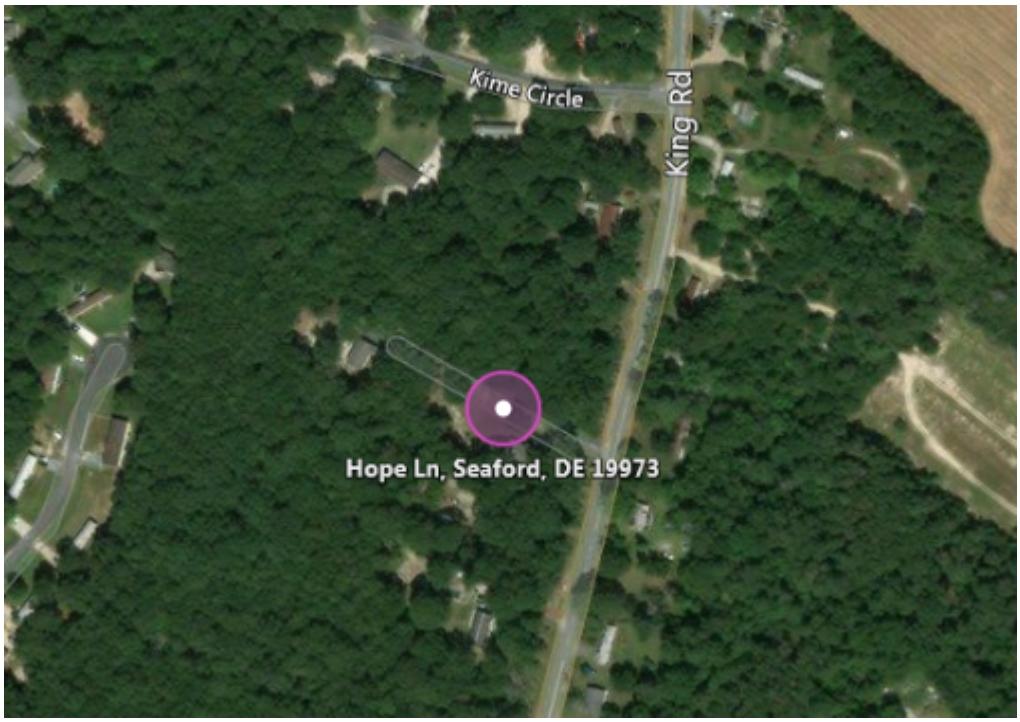
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Troopers Investigating Shots Fired Complaint- Seaford



Seaford- The Delaware State Police are investigating an incident in which several bullets were discovered to have been shot at a residence.

On Sunday, April 1, 2018, Troopers responded to a residence in the 11000 block of Hope Lane in reference to the discovery of several bullets fired at the residence. Upon arrival, Troopers made contact with the resident who advised that sometime between March 17 and March 31, 2018, someone had fired several shots at his residence. The resident advised that he discovered a bullet hole that had traveled through a window and lodged into a wall in the residence. Further investigation revealed that there were three other bullet

holes located in the exterior of the siding.

The residence was unoccupied during this incident and there were no reports of any injuries. At this time there are no suspects.

This case remains under investigation and the Delaware State Police is requesting anyone with information regarding this incident to contact Troop 5, Trooper Marvel at 302-337-1090. 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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Traffic Stop Leads to

Recovery of Stolen Property – Georgetown

Georgetown – Delaware State Police have arrested a Wilmington couple on felony charges after they were found to be in possession of a large quantity of stolen merchandise.

The incident occurred at approximately 1:55 a.m., Wednesday, March 28, 2018, when a Trooper stopped a silver Mercury Sable for speeding on U.S 113 northbound, in the area of Arrow Safety Road, Georgetown. Upon making contact with the occupants of the vehicle the Trooper observed a large quantity of assorted merchandise in the back seat of the vehicle, which had ant-theft devices still attached.

The driver of the vehicle Detwon Banner, 23, of Wilmington advised that he didn't know where the merchandise came from. The passenger in the vehicle, who initially gave a bad name, and was eventually identified as Jaleesa Banner, 29, also of Wilmington, stated that she also didn't know anything about the merchandise.

A subsequent search of the vehicle produced an assortment of electronic devices and miscellaneous merchandise which had anti-theft devices still intact, that had a total value of $5,537.47.

Through further investigation Troopers were able to determine that the merchandise had been stolen from a Wal-mart located in Berlin, Maryland, and the incident was currently being investigated by the Worcester County Sherriff's Office. As a result of this incident and the positive identification of the Banner's, Maryland authorities were able to link them to two prior shoplifting incidents at the same Wal-mart, in which merchandise in excess of $12,000.00 had been stolen.

Both subjects were transported to Delaware State Police Troop

4 where they were arrested and each charged with one count each of Receiving Stolen Property and Conspiracy 2nd Degree, both felonies.

Detwon Banner, who was additionally charged with Speeding, No Valid License, No Proof of Insurance and No Proof of Registration, was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #3 before being committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution in lieu of $4,202.00 cash bail.

Jaleesa Banner, who was additionally charged with Criminal Impersonation, was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #3 before being committed to the Dolores J. Baylor Women's Correctional Institution, in lieu of $5,000.00 cash bail.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact TFC M. Gambale at Troop 4 by calling 302-856-5850.

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