Delaware State Police Troop 9 to Host Community Café – Middletown



Middletown – Delaware State Police Troop 9, in partnership with the Middletown Police Department, will be holding a Community Café on Friday, February 23, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., at the Chick-fil-a, located at 701 S. Ridge Avenue, Middletown. The Community Café will have Troop 9 and Middletown Police Department Administration in attendance to meet and interact with members of the public. This Community Café is often referred to as "Coffee with a Cop" in other police agencies and is being held in an effort to build a stronger relationship between the Delaware State Police and the communities that we so proudly serve.

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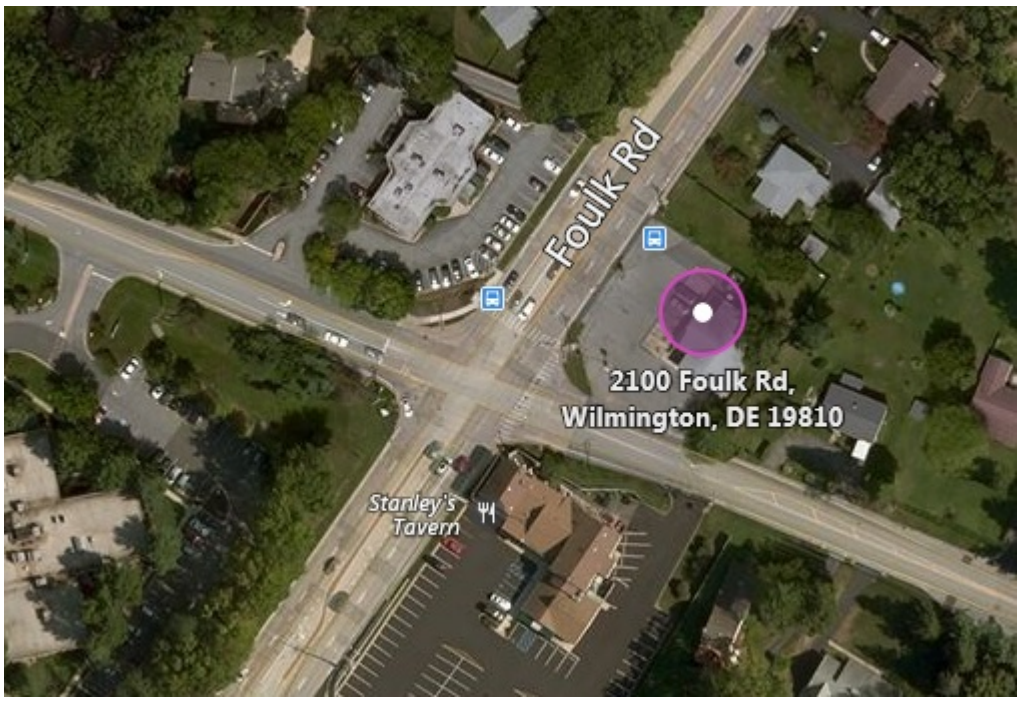
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Troopers Investigating Armed Robbery – North Wilmington



Wilmington (19810) – Delaware State Police are investigating

the armed robbery of a North Wilmington convenience store that took place overnight.

The incident occurred at approximately 12:54 a.m., Friday, February 16, 2018, at the 7-11 convenience store, located at 2100 Foulk Road, Wilmington.

A black male suspect entered the business and confronted an employee at the sales counter while displaying a handgun. The employee then complied with the suspects demand for money. Once obtaining an undisclosed amount of cash from the employee, the suspect fled on foot, northbound on Foulk Road. The 24 year old male employee was not injured as a result of the incident.

The suspect is described as a black male, 5'7"-5'8", average build, wearing all dark clothing, a cloth covering his face and in possession of a black unknown make and model handgun.

No surveillance photos are available at this time.

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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Traffic Stop Leads to Multiple Drug Charges-Milton

Milton- The Delaware State Police arrested two suspects after a traffic stop leads to the discovery of drugs in the Cool Spring Farms development.

The incident occurred on Thursday, February 15, 2018 at approximately 7:27 p.m. when members of the Sussex County Governor's Task Force (GTF) conducted a traffic stop on Fisher Road. Contact was made with the driver, identified as 47-year old **Carolyn Faust** of Lewes. Simultaneously another subject, identified as 55-year old, **George Edwards** of Milton began approaching Faust's vehicle on foot. Detectives attention was drawn to Edwards as he continued to walk towards them with his hands concealed in his pockets. Detectives began giving verbal commands to Edwards to remove his hands from his

pockets, at which time he threw his hands up while throwing objects up into the air. Edwards than proceeded to take off on foot when Detectives deployed their Taser, subsequently striking him and taking him into custody shortly thereafter.

Edwards was found to be in possession of a drug paraphernalia, approximately 2.12 grams of crack cocaine, and approximately 3.54 grams of marijuana. Edwards was taken into custody and transported to Troop 4 where he was charged with Resisting Arrest, Possession with Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance, 2 counts of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Conspiracy 2nd, Tampering with Evidence, and Possession of Marijuana. He was arraigned out of the Justice of the Peace Court 3 and committed to the Sussex County Correctional Institution on $46,201.00 cash only bond.

Faust was found to be in possession of drug paraphernalia. She was taken into custody and transported to Troop 4 where she was charged with Conspiracy 2nd, Criminal Solicitation, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and traffic related offenses. Faust was arraigned out of the Justice of the Peace Court 3 and released on $5,202.00 unsecured bond.

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Camden Wyoming Man Arrested on Sexual Abuse Charges

Camden Wyoming-The Delaware State Police have arrested a Camden Wyoming man following an investigation into an alleged sexual abuse complaint.

The investigation began on December 19, 2017 when Troop 3 Major Crimes Unit received information through a DFS 24 hour hotline that a 14-year-old female had reported allegations of sexual abuse. The hotline report indicated that the victim had been impregnated by an adult male. Through further investigations, it was confirmed that the 14-year-old victim was pregnant and she disclosed that the father of the child was 34-year-old **Byron P. White** of Camden Wyoming. Detectives further discovered that the victim had been in an active sexual relationship with White since May of 2017. The incidences were reported to have occurred at victim's residence located in Dover.

Investigation revealed that White was a United States Air Force Reservist and was serving on orders at DAFB. An arrest warrant was obtained for White in which he was subsequently taken into custody at DAFB on Tuesday, February 13, 2018.

White was transported back to Troop 3 where he was charged with 9 counts of Rape 3rd and Continuous Sexual Abuse of a Child. He was arraigned out of the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center on $200,000.00 secured bond.

Because of the sensitivity of this case, and in consideration of the victim, only limited information will be released.

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Troopers Arrest Three Suspects for Multiple Weapons Charges

Seaford- The Delaware State Police have arrested two suspects in connection with the theft of multiple firearms and a third suspect for receiving a stolen firearm.

The incident was reported on Sunday, February 11, 2018 at approximately 11:37 a.m. when a 29-year-old victim from Seaford reported that six firearms and Dewalt power tools were taken from his residence while he was out of town. Further investigation revealed that the victim allowed 24-year-old **Marissa Schurman** of Milford to stay at his residence for approximately 2 weeks while he was away from his residence. During this timeframe, Marissa allowed her boyfriend, 26-year-old **Roland C. Wainwright** of Frederica to also stay at the residence. Through investigative measures, it was discovered that Wainwright had pawned four of the firearms as well as the tools that belonged to the victim.

On Tuesday, February 13, 2018, Schurman and Wainwright responded to Troop 3 where both were subsequently taken into custody without incident. Further investigation revealed that one of the firearms, a colt .38 revolver had been sold to subject identified as 19-year-old **Marc Johnson** of Milford.

Through a coordinated effort between Tr00p 5, Tr00p 3, members of the Kent County Drug Unit (KDU), and the Milford Police Department, the firearm was recovered and Marc Johnson was apprehended without incident.

Schurman was charged with 6 counts of Theft of a Firearm. She

was arraigned out of the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and released on $18,000.00 unsecured bond.

Wainwright was charged with 6 counts of Theft of a Firearm, 6 counts of Theft, 5 counts of Falsifying Business Records, and 5 counts of Selling Stolen Property. He was arraigned out of the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center on $34,000.00 secured bond.

Johnson was charged with Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon and Receiving a Stolen Firearm. He was arraigned out of the Justice of the Peace Court 2 and committed to the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center on $13,000.00 secured bond.

This case continues to remain under investigation for the recovery of the sixth firearm that was alleged to have been stolen. Anyone with information pertaining to this case is asked to please contact Troop 5, TFC. Z. Bonniwell at 302-232-3482. 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 Pair in Connection with New Castle area Robberies

New Castle – Delaware State Police detectives have arrested two men after a two week investigation into a pair of New Castle area robberies.

The first incident occurred January 29, 2018 at the 7-11, located at 284 Christiana Road, with the second occurring February 7, 2018, at the Shell gas station, located at 299 Christiana Road. In each incident a white male suspect would wait for the cashier to open the register while completing a transaction, and then grab cash from the open drawer, before fleeing on foot.

Through various investigative leads which included intelligence information provided by the New Castle County Police Department, detectives were able to positively identify Ryan Hensley, 18, of Townsend and John Hoxter, 31, of New Castle, as suspects in both incidents. The duo's plan entailed Hoxter entering the respective business and then proceed to make a purchase. Once the cashier opened the register to complete Hoxter's transaction, Hensley would rush behind the sales counter and grab cash from the open drawer.

Both Hensley and Hoxter were taken in to custody by detectives

on Tuesday, February 13, 2018, without incident and transported to Delaware State Police Troop 2 where they were charged with 2 counts each of Robbery 2nd Degree and Conspiracy 2nd Degree.

Both men were arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #2, before being committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institution in lieu of $8000.00 secured bail.

Anyone with further information regarding these incidents are asked to contact Detective A. Andres of the Troop 2 Robbery Unit by calling 302-365-8566.

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Troopers Seek Public’s Assistance in Locating Burglary/Theft Suspects