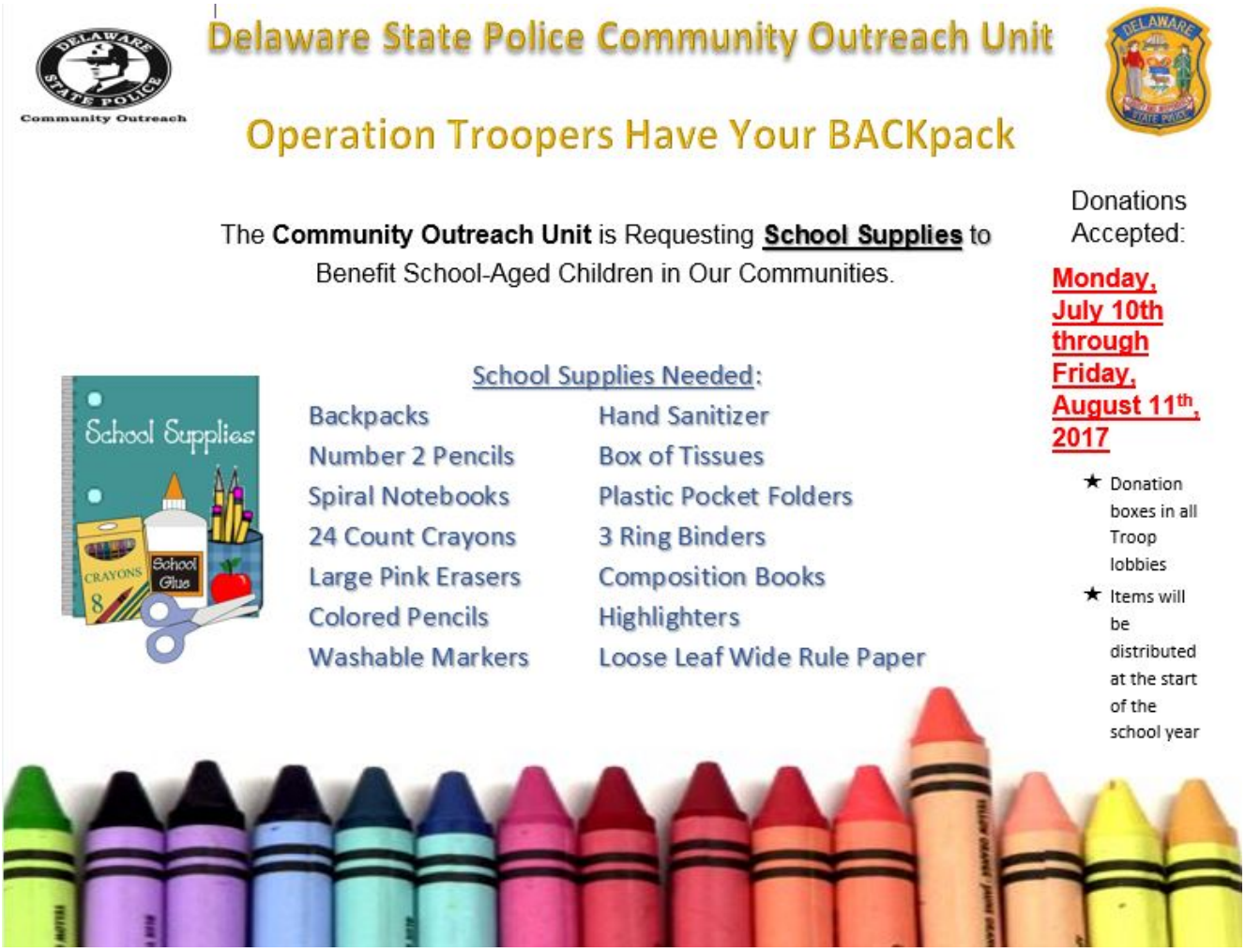
Delaware State Police Community Outreach Unit – 3rd Annual Operation BACKpack Project



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

The Delaware State Police Community Outreach Unit has established a program to assist elementary school aged children in need with the necessities for school. Troopers are asking for help with any donations to fill each child's back-pack with school supplies.

Troopers assigned to the Statewide Community Outreach Unit have initiated this program and are working with organizations in their communities to collect and donate school supplies for children in need. Donations can be taken to Headquarters in Dover or to any Troop statewide by anyone wishing to help. Each Troop will have a box in their lobby for supplies to be dropped off for the project. The donations will be collected from July 10 to August 11, 2017 and the donations will be presented for the 2017-2018 school year, prior to school starting. A list of supplies needed for the students are listed below:

Backpacks

No. 2 pencils

Spiral notebooks

Washable Crayola crayons box of 24

Large pink erasers

Pencil cases

Colored pencils

Washable markers

Loose leaf wide ruled paper

Highlighters

Composition books

3 ring binders

Plastic folders with pockets

Tissue boxes

Hand sanitizer

If you need to contact any of the Troopers in the Community Outreach Unit, their information by region is listed below:

Master Corporal Mike Austin

(New Castle County)

302-365-8466

Corporal/1 Heather Imhof

(Kent and Southern New Castle County)

302-698-8520

Master Corporal Ricky Hargis

(Eastern Sussex County)

302-752-3804

Corporal/2 Juanita Huey-Smith

(Western Sussex County)

302-232-3459

Please help the Delaware State Police give to the students who will need the essential supplies and materials for a successful school year.

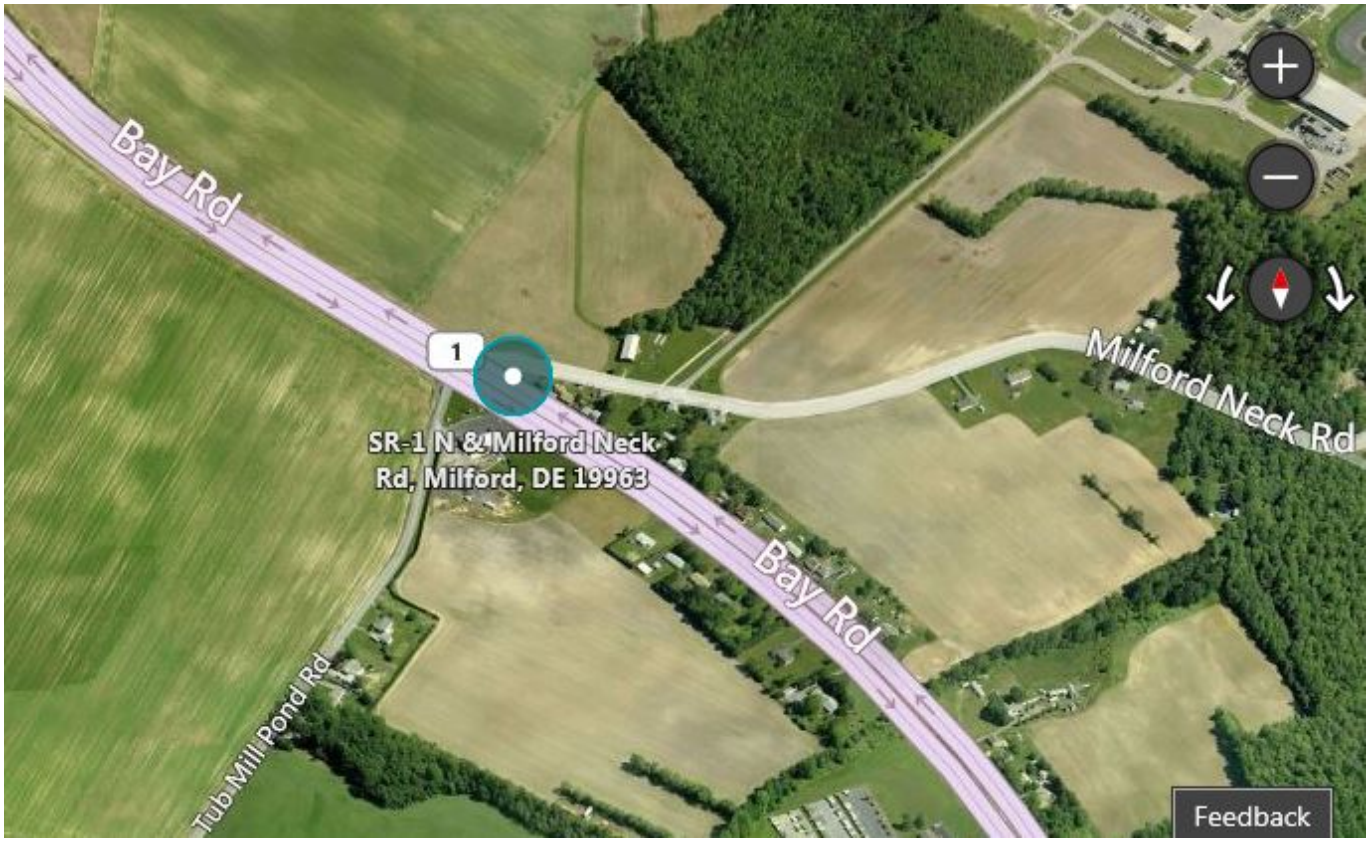
Thank you for your help.

Please see attached flyer.

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Troopers Investigate Pedestrian Crash – Frederica



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

Frederica, DE- The Delaware State Police are investigating a motor vehicle crash in which a pedestrian was injured south of Frederica.

The initial investigation has determined the crash occurred at approximately 9:12 p.m. Saturday, July 8, 2017, as a 2007 GMC Yukon operated by Jennifer R. Valentine, 34 of Pennsylvania, was traveling northbound on Bay Road in the right lane approaching Milford Neck Road. It was at this point a pedestrian, David M. Cane, 41 of Milford, was standing partially in the right lane in the path of the vehicle on Bay Rd just South of Milford Neck Road when he was struck with the vehicle's right side. Jennifer R. Valentine was able to bring her

vehicle to a controlled stop on the road north of the pedestrian.

David M. Cane was treated on scene for his injuries prior to being transported by EMS to the Bayhealth Milford Memorial Hospital for his non-life threatening injuries. Cane was cited for Failure to Carry a Light on Public Roadway.

Jennifer R. Valentine and her passengers were properly restrained at the time of the crash and were not injured.

“Troopers remind pedestrians to use caution and safety when walking on or near roadways. If you must cross a roadway utilize appropriate cross walks and make sure to look left, then right, then left again before proceeding. When walking near a roadway always make yourself visible to drivers by wearing bright/light colored clothing and reflective materials. Pedestrians that are walking at night must carry a flashlight and use them properly for added safety.”

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Troopers Investigate Gas Station Robbery – Newark



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

Newark- The Delaware State Police is currently investigating the robbery of a Newark area Shell gas station that occurred last night.

The initial investigation has determined the incident occurred at approximately 9:13 p.m., Saturday, July 8, 2017, as an armed male suspect entered the Shell Gas Station located at 668 Paper Mill Road, Newark. The suspect confronted the clerk and demanded money from the cash registers. The suspect displayed what appeared to be an unknown make and model handgun. The employee complied with the suspect's demands and turned over an undisclosed amount of cash to him. The suspect then exited the business and fled in an unknown direction. There were no injuries.

The suspect was described as a white male approximately 5'09" to 5'11" tall, weighed 160 to 170 lbs., approximately 20-25 years of age with his face covered. There is no further physical or clothing description available. No video

surveillance footage is available at this time.

If anyone has any information in reference to this incident they are asked to contact the Robbery unit at 302-365-8566. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword “DSP.”

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Troopers Searching for Driver in Hit and Run Crash – Wilmington



Presented by Director of Public Information Sergeant Richard D. Bratz

Wilmington, De.-The Delaware State Police are investigating a serious hit and run crash of a male subject on a motorized wheel chair which occurred late last night .

The preliminary investigation indicates the crash occurred Friday, July 7, 2017, at approximately 10:44 p.m. as a 29 year old male of Wilmington had operated a motorized wheel chair eastbound in the westbound lane of East Lea Boulevard. A dark colored SUV was traveling westbound on East Lea Boulevard approaching the intersection with North Market Street in the straight/right turn lane. As the motorized wheel chair traveled directly into the path of the SUV, the front right of the vehicle struck the right side of the wheel chair. The collision caused the wheel chair to spin in a counter clockwise direction and went partially up onto the sidewalk before tipping over and trapping the operator under the wheel chair. The operator of the dark colored SUV pulled into the parking lot and stopped briefly before fleeing the scene on eastbound East Lea Boulevard.

The 29 year old male was treated at the scene by EMS and was transported by ambulance to a local area hospital with serious but non-life threatening injuries.

The victim on the wheelchair did not have any lights or reflective equipment displayed on the front of the wheel chair, but did have a reflective vest on the back of his chair.

Troopers continue to collect and analyze evidence at the scene to determine make and model of the striking vehicle.

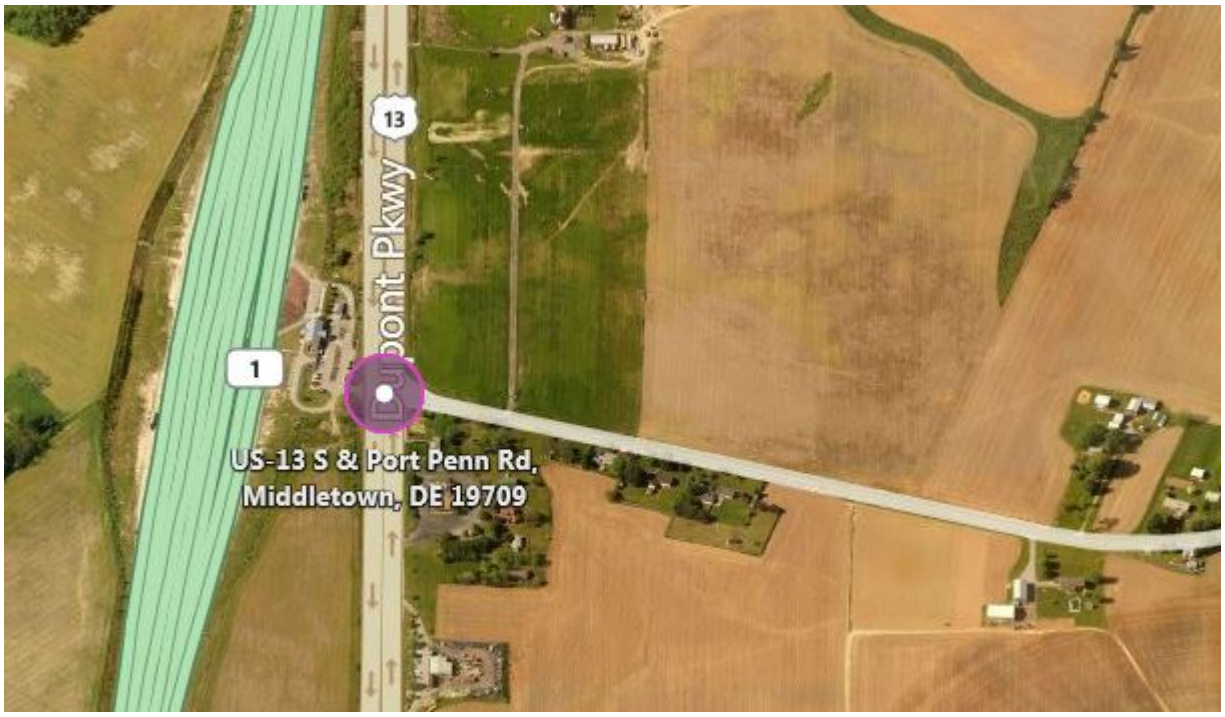
East Lea Boulevard in the area of the collision was closed for approximately one hour while the crash was investigated and cleared. Troopers continue to investigate this incident.

Troopers are attempting to locate the driver and vehicle that fled this crash and request anyone with information in reference to this incident to contact, the M/Cpl. A. Pietlock at Troop 1 at 302-761-6677. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword “DSP.”

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Traffic Advisory-Middletown



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

Middletown – The Delaware State Police are currently investigating a four vehicle crash on US 13 north of Port Penn Road which occurred at around 12:55 p.m. this afternoon. At this time it is unknown how many people are injured and the extent of their injuries.

U.S. 13 in the area of the crash is currently closed. Commuters are advised to use caution in the area of the crash as crews are continuing to investigate the collision.

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Homeless Sex Offender Public Notification

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

Dover– The following are not wanted. These are Homeless Sex Offender Public Notifications. If you have information the listed subject is 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 or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword "DSP."

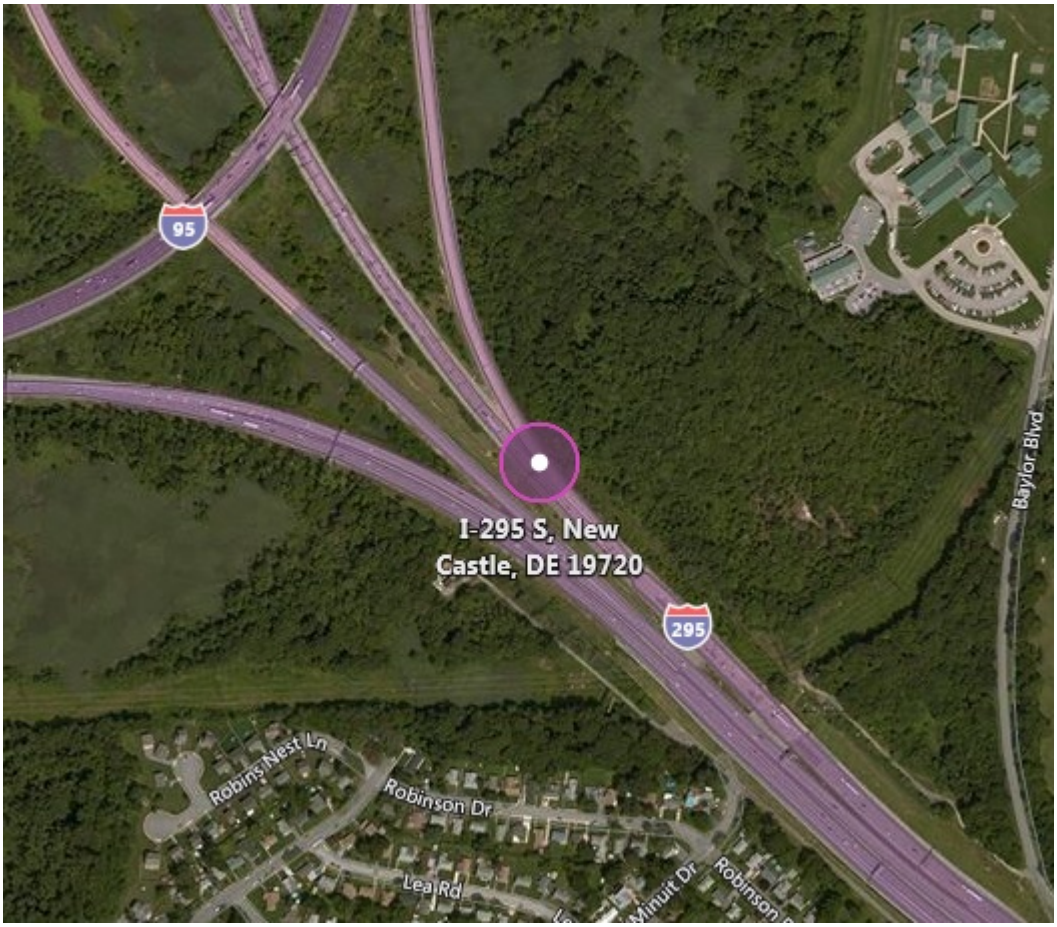
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Traffic Advisory – Troopers Investigating Multi-Vehicle Crash – Update



Presented by Public Information Officer Master Corporal Jeffrey R. Hale

New Castle – Delaware State Police continue to investigate a multi-vehicle crash which occurred this morning near New Castle.

The initial investigation has determined that the crash occurred at approximately 8:39 a.m. this morning, Friday, July 7, 2016, as Nicholas Antalik, 30, of Brooklyn, CT, was operating a 2012 Peterbuilt tractor and trailer and was traveling in the left hand westbound lane of I-295 just prior to the northbound I-495 split. The front of the tractor trailer then struck the rear of a 2012 Mercedes-Benz E350, which was stopped in traffic in the left hand lane, and which was being operated by a 62-year-old Baldwin, MD man. The force of the initial crash caused the Mercedes to travel forward where its front then struck the rear of a 2017 Chevrolet Cruz which was being operated by a 21-year-old Woodstown, NJ woman.

The Cruz then flipped onto its right hand side and caught on fire as it was pushed forward. Its front end then struck the rear of a 2016 Chrysler Town and Country, which had been stopped in the left hand lane, and which was being operated by a 40-year-old Swedesboro, NJ woman. The Town and Country then traveled forward where it then struck the rear of a 2012 Lexus IS, which had been stopped in the left hand lane, and which was being operated by a 53-year-old Sewell, NJ woman. The Town and Country then entered into the right hand lane where it was sideswiped by an unknown make and model tractor and trailer, which had originally stopped but then fled the scene.

The operators of the Town and Country, the Chevrolet Cruz, and the Mercedes-Benz were all treated at the scene by New Castle County Paramedics before being transported to the Christiana Hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

Nicholas Antalik, who was not injured, was cited by troopers with Following Too Closely.

The westbound lanes of I-295 were partially closed for approximately 1.5 hours as the crash was investigated and cleared.

Click on link to view original release.

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Suspicious Activity Leads to Drug and Gun Arrest

Presented by Public Information Officer Master Corporal Jeffrey R. Hale

Claymont- The Delaware State Police New Castle County Governor's Task Force has arrested a Chester, PA man after he was found to be in possession of drugs and a gun yesterday in Claymont.

The investigation began at approximately 9:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 6, 2017, as members of the New Castle County Governor's Task Force (GTF) were conducting proactive patrols in the Claymont area. It was at this time that they observed a male subject, later identified as Jihad Amaad Rashaad Morris of Chester, PA, conducting what appeared to be hand to hand drug transactions in the parking lot of the Northtowne Plaza, located at 601 Naamans Road. GTF members contacted Morris who was seated in the driver's seat of a silver Chevrolet Impala and upon conducting a pat down search of him, they located 10 grams of powder cocaine inside of his pants. A fully loaded Glock 9 mm handgun was also located in the armrest of the vehicle.

Jihad Morris was transported to Troop 1 where he was arrested and charged with Delivery of a Controlled Substance, Possession with the Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon. He was arraigned at JP Court 11 and committed to the Howard Young Correctional Institution in default of $53,000.00 cash bond.

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Update #2 Troopers Investigate Robbery – Claymont – Arrest Made

Presented by Public Information Officer Master Corporal Jeffrey R. Hale

Claymont – Delaware State Police Robbery Unit detectives have arrested a 25-year-old Claymont man in connection with the robbery of a Wawa customer which occurred in late May.

Michael B. Reynolds, Jr., turned himself in to detectives at Troop 2 yesterday evening. Reynolds was subsequently arrested and charged with Robbery 1st Degree. He was arraigned at JP Court 2 and committed to the Howard Young Correctional Institution in default of $25,000.00 secured bond.

Reynolds was wanted by detectives after he was identified as the suspect who robbed a male victim in the bathroom of the

Wawa located at 2621 Philadelphia Pike, Claymont, on May 29, 2017.

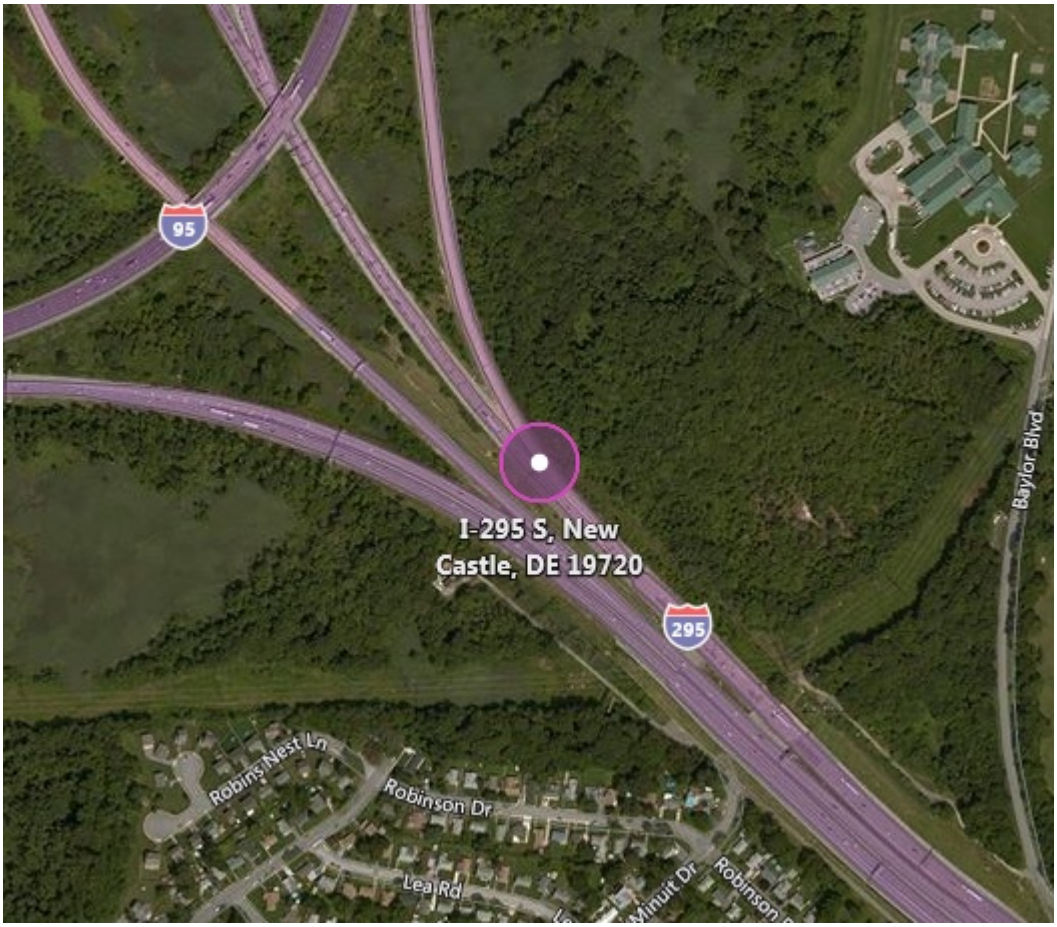
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Traffic Advisory – Troopers Investigating Multi-Vehicle Crash



Presented by Public Information Officer Master Corporal Jeffrey R. Hale

***New Castle (19720)* –** Delaware State Police are currently investigating a multi-vehicle crash which occurred this morning in New Castle.

The initial investigation has determined that the crash occurred at approximately 8:50 a.m. this morning, Friday, July 7, 2017, on westbound I-295 at the split for northbound I-495, and involves multiple vehicles. Injuries have been reported, however, the number and extent of the injuries is not known at this time.

As a result of the crash, all lanes of westbound I-295 have been closed to traffic at I-495 and commuters are asked to find alternate routes of travel.

The investigation into this incident is in its early stages. More information will be released at the conclusion of the

investigation.

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