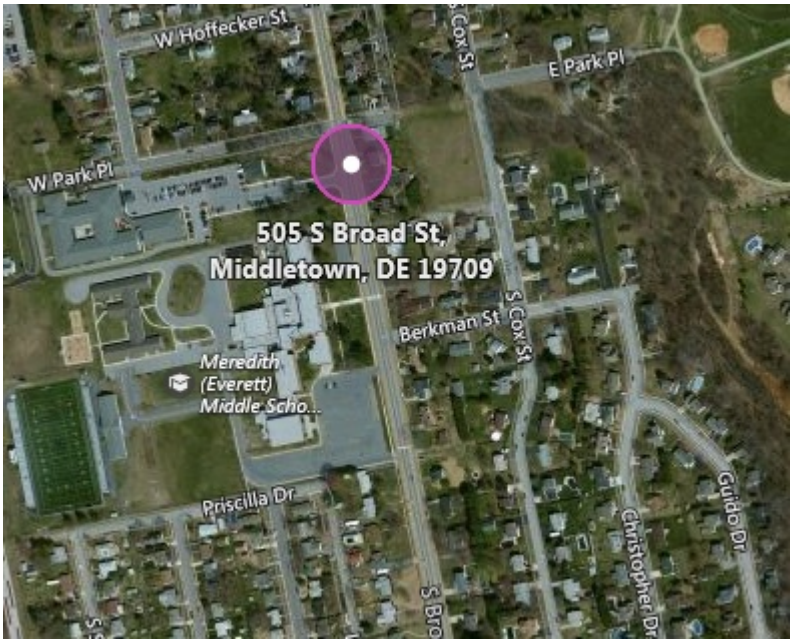
# Troopers Investigate Threat to School




***Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Jeffrey. R. Hale***

***Middletown-*** Delaware State Police are investigating a threat that was called into Everett Meredith Middle School this morning.

The incident occurred around 7:39 a.m. Wednesday, March 22, 2017, when a phone call was received at the main office of Everett Meredith Middle School located at 505 S. Broad Street. The male caller stated that there was a bomb in the school and that it would blow if it was not located. Students and staff were evacuated from the school as troopers and K9 units immediately responded and conducted a search. Nothing of a suspicious nature was located and students were allowed to return to the school at approximately 9:40 a.m. to resume normal activities.

This incident remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police at this time. If anyone has any information in

reference to this  incident, they are asked to contact Troop 2 Youth Aid Division at 302-834-2620. 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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# Two Arrested for Drugs After Brief Pursuit

*Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier*

***Dover*** – The Delaware State Police have arrested two Dover residents after a brief pursuit led to the discovery of illegal drugs.

The incident occurred around 5:03 p.m. Tuesday March 21, 2017 as a trooper on patrol in the area of the Dover Toll Plaza observed a 2017 black Chevrolet Impala traveling southbound on Korean War Veteran's Memorial Highway (SR1) in an erratic manner.  When the trooper pulled behind the Impala and attempted to perform a traffic stop, the car aggressively increased its speed and exited SR1 southbound onto westbound Puncheon Run.  The Chevrolet continued to pass other vehicles on the roadway and upon approaching South DuPont Highway (US13), failed to negotiate the right turn to travel southbound.  The vehicle exited the west side of the highway and crashed into three parked vehicles for sale in the parking

lot of Hertrich Nissan of Dover, located at 1378 South DuPont Highway.

Once stopped, the operator, who was later identified as **Adam D. Scott**, 43 of Dover, attempted to flee the area on foot, but was quickly apprehended after being Tasered by the pursuing trooper. A passenger, who was identified as **Kiauna R. Collins**, 37 of Dover, remained at the scene and was taken into custody without incident. A search of the Chevy Impala revealed two plastic bags containing 126.07 grams of crack cocaine.

Adam Scott and Kiauna Collins were transported to Troop 3 in Camden where Scott was charged with Possession with Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance (Crack Cocaine), Possession of a Controlled Substance (Crack Cocaine), Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Disregarding a Police Officer Signal, Conspiracy 2nd, Resisting Arrest, Driving While Suspended or Revoked, and other traffic related charges. Scott was also wanted on eight capiases out of various courts in Kent County. He was arraigned at JP2 and committed to James T. Vaughn Correctional Center on $43,504.00 secured bond.

Kiauna Collins was charged with Possession with Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance (Crack Cocaine), Possession of a Controlled Substance (Crack Cocaine), Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Hindering Prosecution, and Conspiracy 2nd. She also had two capiases out of Kent County courts. She was arraigned at JP2 and committed to Delores J. Baylor Women’s Correctional Institution on $42,500.00 secured bond.

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# Troopers Investigate Armed Robbery




***Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Jeffrey R. Hale***

***Wilmington (19808)-*** Delaware State Police are currently investigating an armed robbery that occurred in the parking lot of a Wilmington area shopping center early yesterday afternoon.

The initial investigation has determined that the incident happened at approximately 12:37 p.m. on Sunday, March 19, 2017, as a male victim was walking through the parking lot of the Apollo Shopping Center, located at 3615 Kirkwood Highway. It was at this time that the victim was summoned by a male suspect who was standing on the side of the Colortyme Store. As the victim approached, the suspect displayed an unknown make and model gun and demanded money from him. The victim complied with the suspect’s demands and turned over an

undisclosed amount of cash to him. The suspect then ran through the parking lot and was last seen entering a black unknown make and model  vehicle, which was occupied by two other male subjects. The vehicle then exited the parking lot and fled in a westbound direction on Kirkwood Highway and then northbound on Duncan Road. There were no injuries.

The suspect was described as a white male. He was 20-35 years of age, tall, had a large build, and was last seen wearing a light colored shirt. There is no further physical or clothing description available.

If anyone has any information in reference to this incident they are asked to contact the Robbery Unit at Troop 2 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 Arrest Two in Burglary Spree

*Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier*

***New Castle –*** Delaware State Police have arrested two Wilmington men and charged them in connection with a series of burglaries that have occurred over the course of the last month and a half.

On Friday, March 17, 2017, Delaware State Police Burglary Unit Detectives arrested **Ferdell F. Harvey**, 57, and **Timothy M. Reason Jr.,** 32, both of Wilmington, without incident during a traffic stop following a burglary they were observed committing at the Speedway gas station, located at 506 N. Dupont Hwy, New Castle . Detectives had developed Harvey and Reason as suspects in a series of burglaries that had occurred at area businesses during the month of February and March of this year.  During the burglaries, Harvey and Reason would forcefully enter the establishments and remove cartons of cigarettes before fleeing the area. In all, more than $23,000.00 worth of cigarettes and tobacco products were stolen.

The following is a list of locations that were burglarized:

- Speedway Gas Station, 506 N. Dupont Hwy, New Castle, DE, Friday February 10, 2017 at 1:45 a.m.
- Fairfax News Stand, 2121 Concord Pike, Wilmington, DE, Saturday February 11, 2017 at 1:18 a.m.
- Speedway Gas Station, 506 N. Dupont Hwy, New Castle, DE, Sunday February 12, 2017 at 11:57 p.m.
- Tobacco City, 4637 Stanton Ogletown road, Newark, DE, Friday February 17, 2017 at 2:29 a.m.
- Fairfax News Stand, 2121 Concord Pike, Wilmington, DE,

Saturday February 18, 2017 at 3:01 a.m.

- Tobacco Express, 1609 N. Dupont Hwy, New Castle, DE, Thursday February 23, 2017 at 11:09 p.m.
- Tobacco Shop, 1701 Marsh Rd, Wilmington, DE, Sunday February 26, 2017 at 8:07 p.m.
- BP Station, 3507 Miller Road, Wilmington, DE, Wednesday March 1, 2017 at 3:52 a.m.
- Speedway gas station, 506 N. Dupont Hwy, New Castle, DE, Friday March 17, 2017 at 10:37 p.m.

Ferdell Harvey and Timothy Reason were both charged by detectives with seven counts of Burglary 3rd, two counts of Attempted Burglary 3rd, eight counts of Possession of Burglary Tools, Wearing a Disguise During the Commission of a Felony, six counts of Theft, Attempted Theft, nine counts of Conspiracy 2nd, and eight counts of Criminal Mischief. They were arraigned at JP Court 11 and committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institution in default of $105,800.00 cash bail (Harvey) and $87,700.00 cash bail (Reason).

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# **Update** Robbery Suspect Arrested

*Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier*

***Newark*** – **Michael S. Berwick**, 26 of New Castle, was taken into custody, Saturday March 18, 2017 during a traffic stop conducted by New Castle County Police Department. Berwick was charged by state police with two counts of Robbery 1st and two counts of Wearing a Disguise During the Commission of a Felony. He was arraigned at JP11 and committed to Howard R. Young Correctional Institution on $70,000.00 cash bail.

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# State Police Investigating an Officer Involved Shooting – Ocean View

*Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier*

***Ocean View*** – The Delaware State Police are currently investigating an officer involved shooting that occurred late Saturday night near Ocean View.

Preliminary investigation reveals the incident occurred around 10:13 p.m. Saturday March 18, 2017 when an officer, employed with the Ocean View Police Department, became involved in a vehicle pursuit while assisting Worcester County Sheriff's Office (Maryland). The officer and Deputies were pursuing an Infinity SUV as it drove down Burbage Road and crossed over Windmill Drive onto Pine Grove Lane, which is a dead end road. The operator of the SUV then came to a stop at the end of the road and accelerated backwards at a high speed directly into the front of the fully marked Ocean View Police Officer's patrol vehicle, pushing it off the roadway. The Infiniti continued backing at a high rate of speed almost striking a fully marked Deputy Sheriff's vehicle and smashed into a mailbox where it momentarily stopped. The SUV then drove forward and entered into an empty residential lot where it turned around and began driving toward a Sheriff Deputy that was standing outside of his vehicle in the driveway of the lot. The Ocean View officer was able to exit his patrol vehicle and run up to where the Deputy was standing as the SUV accelerated toward the two law enforcement officers who were yelling commands to stop. Both the officer and the Deputy fired multiple rounds at the Infinity before the operator came to a stop in a private driveway in the 36000 block of Pine Grove Lane.

The officer and Deputies removed the suspect, who is described as a 31-year-old Hurlock, Maryland man, from the SUV and rendered first aid until the arrival of EMS. The suspect was then transported to an area hospital where he is currently admitted in serious condition. His name is being withheld pending notification of next of kin.

The officer was also transported to an area hospital by EMS where he was treated and released with non-life-threatening injuries he sustained in the collision.

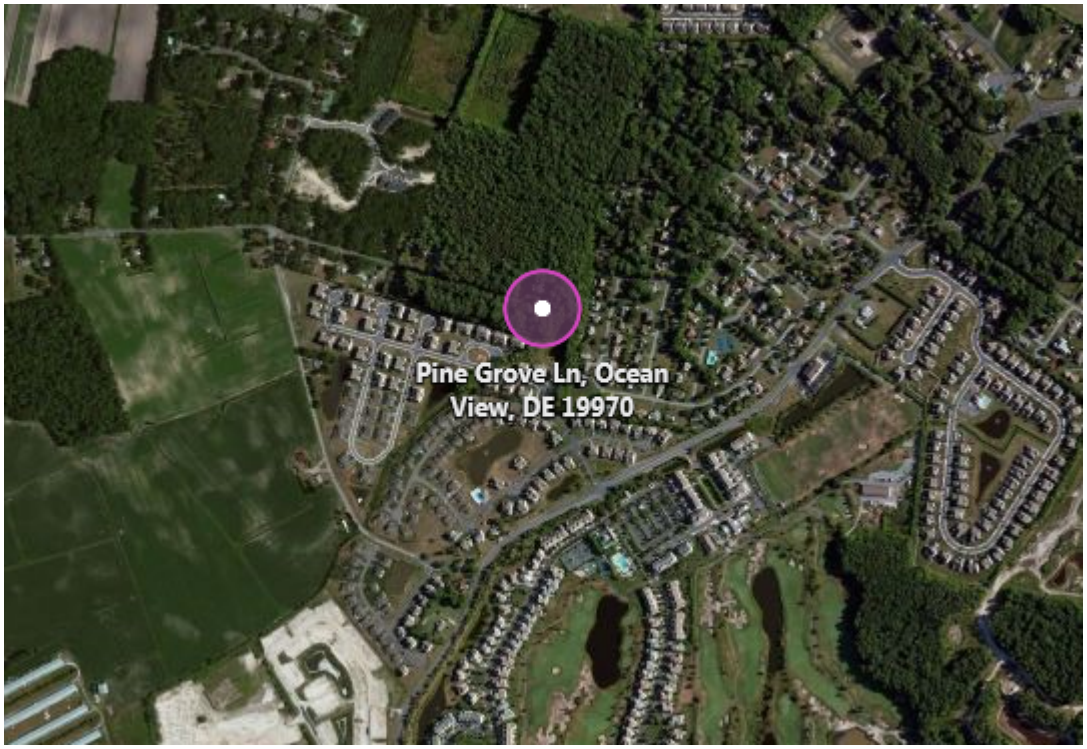
The Deputy Sheriff was uninjured in the incident.

The investigation into this incident is being conducted by the Delaware State Police Homicide Unit and is in its early stages. More information will be released as it becomes available.

For information regarding the events that occurred in Maryland leading up to the shooting and the status of the Deputy, please contact Lieutenant Ed Schreier at 443-783-0394 or eschreier@co.worcester.md.us.

For the status of the Ocean View Police Officer, please contact Chief Kenneth McLaughlin at 302-462-5991 or kenneth.mclaughlin@cj.state.de.us.

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# Homeless Sex Offender Notification

*Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary E. Fournier*

***Dover***— The following is not wanted. This is a Homeless Sex Offender Public Notification. If you have information that 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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## BENJAMIN J PERCHALSKI SR



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| **Risk Level:** | Tier 2 (Moderate Risk) | **Police Agency:** | DSP HEADQUARTERS |
| **Verified On:** | March 16, 2017 | **Phone:** | (302) 659-2341 |
| **Registered Since:** | July 26, 2012 | **Address:** | PO BOX 430<br>Dover, DE 19903 |
| **In Prison:** | No | | |
| **Convicted Out of State:** | No | | |
| **Repeat Offender:** | No | | |

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| **Date of Birth:** | August 24, 1980 (age 36) | **Height:** | 5' 10" |
| **Gender:** | Male | **Weight:** | 235 LBS |
| **Race:** | WHITE | **Hair Color:** | BROWN |
| **Skin Tone:** | LIGHT | **Eye Color:** | Brown |

### Aliases

BENJAMIN J PERCHALSKI SR

### Scars, Marks, & Tattoos

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| TAT RF ARM | HEART |
| TAT R SHLD | COMEDY TRAGEDY |
| TAT L SHLD | HEART,FIRE |
| TAT L LEG | OMI MASK |
| TAT R LEG | PARTIAL ASIAN DRAGON |
| TAT CHEST | LEFT RIBS FACE WITH HAT |

### Addresses

| Type | Address | County | Development/Employer |
|---|---|---|---|
| Home | NEWARK, DE 19711 | NewCastle | Homeless |
| Work | (no address on file) | Other | Unemployed |
| School | (no address on file) | Other | Not Attending School |

### Vehicles

| Type | Make/Model/Color | State | Registration |
|---|---|---|---|
| Auto | Hyundai ELANTRA Blue | DE | 369528 |

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# Troopers Investigate Pair of Newark Area Robbery Incidents

*Presented By Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Jeffrey R. Hale*

***Newark-*** Delaware State Police are currently investigating a pair of Newark area robbery incidents which occurred within minutes of each other last night.

The first incident occurred at approximately 7:17 p.m. last night, Thursday, March 16, 2017, as a male suspect entered the Wendy's Restaurant, located at 2423 Pulaski Highway. The suspect then confronted a female employee who was standing behind the sales counter. He then demanded money from the cash register while implying that he was armed with a gun. The employee, however, did not comply with the suspect's demands and ran to another area of the restaurant. The suspect then exited the business without obtaining any property and was last seen running toward westbound US Rt. 40. There were no injuries.

The suspect was described as a white male 25-40 years of age. He was 5'11"-6'01" tall, weighed 170-215 lbs., and was last seen wearing blue jeans, a brown jacket with a tan hooded sweatshirt underneath, and black sneakers.

The second incident occurred at approximately 7:30 p.m., as a male suspect entered the Shore Stop/Valero, located at 796 Old Baltimore Pike. He then approached the sales counter and presented a male employee with a demand note for cash. The note implied that the suspect was armed, however, a weapon was not displayed. The clerk complied with the suspect's demands and turned over an undisclosed amount of money to him. The suspect then exited the business and was last seen running in an eastbound direction on Old Baltimore Pike. The clerk was

not injured.

The suspect was described as a white male. He was 20-30 years of age, 5’10”-6’00” tall, weighed 145-165 lbs., and was last seen wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, blue jeans, and black sneakers.

Both of these incidents remain under investigation by the Delaware State Police. Detectives are exploring the possibility that both incidents were committed by the same suspect.

If anyone has any information in reference to these incidents they are asked to contact the Robbery Unit at Troop 2 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 Seek Public's Assistance in Locating Robbery Suspect

***Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Jeffrey R. Hale***

***Newark-*** Delaware State Police Robbery Unit detectives are asking for the public’s assistance in locating a Newark man wanted in connection with a pair of robberies which have

occurred in New Castle County over the past few weeks.

Detectives have obtained warrants charging Michael S. Berwick, 26, with two counts of Robbery 1st Degree and two counts of Wearing a Disguise During the Commission of a Felony after he was identified as the suspect who robbed a pair of businesses in the Newark area on March 9, 2017 and March 13, 2017. In each instance, Berwick would enter the targeted location and present an employee with a demand note for cash. The note would imply that Berwick was armed, however, he did not display a weapon. After obtaining cash, Berwick would then exit the business and flee in an unknown direction. There were no injuries.

During the investigation, which included the review of video footage, the conducting of interviews, and the collection of physical evidence, detectives were able to positively identify Berwick as the suspect who robbed the Great Wall Chinese Restaurant, located at 21 Chestnut Hill Plaza, Newark, on Thursday, March 9, 2017, as well as the Dunkin Donuts, located at 1126 Capitol Trail, Newark, on Monday, March 13, 2017. The Middletown Police Department has also obtained warrants charging Berwick with the attempted robbery of the Dairy Queen, located at 100 Sandhill Drive, Middletown, on Thursday, March 9, 2017.

Michael Berwick is described as being 6’00″ tall, weighs approximately 190 lbs., has a thin build, light brown hair and hazel eyes.

If anyone has any information in reference to the location of Michael Berwick, they are asked to contact Detective Jonathon Packard at 302-365-8434. 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 Investigate Convenience Store Robbery




*Presented By Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Jeffrey R. Hale*

***Wilmington (19809)-*** Delaware State Police are investigating the robbery of an Edgemoor area convenience store that occurred early this morning.

The initial investigation has determined that the incident happened at approximately 2:29 a.m. today, Thursday, March 16, 2017, as a male suspect entered the 7-11 located at 4865 Governor Printz Boulevard. The suspect approached the sales counter and confronted a store employee, implying that he was armed with a weapon. The suspect then demanded money from the cash register. The clerk complied with the suspect's demands and turned over an undisclosed amount of money to him. The suspect then walked behind the sales counter where he then removed lottery tickets which were on display for sale. He then exited the store and was last seen entering a light-colored unknown make and model vehicle, which then exited the parking lot and was last seen fleeing southbound on Governor Printz Boulevard. The clerk was not injured.

The suspect was described as a black male. He was 5'09" tall

and was last seen wearing a blue hooded sweatshirt, blue jeans, and boots. There is no further physical or clothing description available.

If anyone has any information in reference to this incident they are asked to contact the Robbery Unit at Troop 2 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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