# State Police Investigating Single Vehicle Fatal Crash West of Dover

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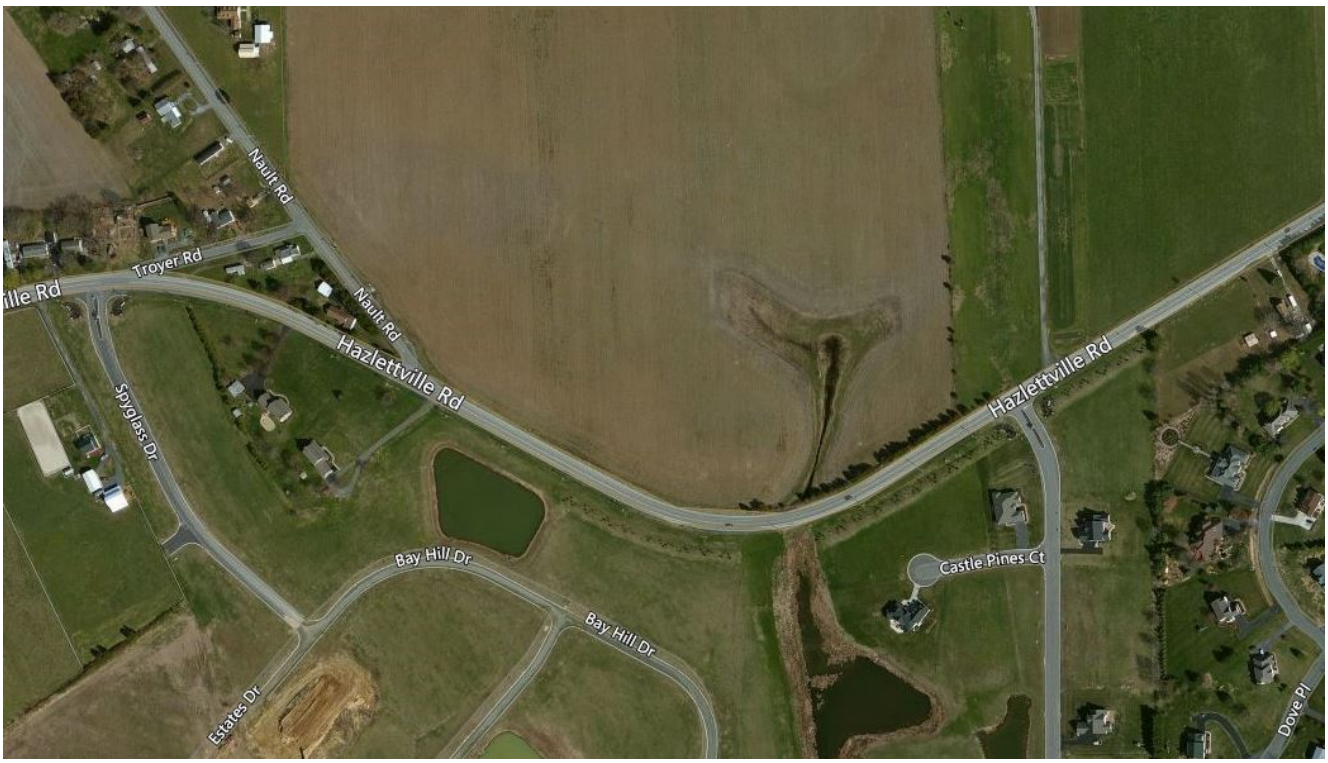
***West Dover*** – The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a single vehicle fatal crash that claimed the life of two people early this morning.

Preliminary investigation suggests the incident occurred around 4:05 a.m., Sunday February 26, 2017, as Robert E. DaFonte, 23 of Hartly, was operating a 2016 Jeep Wrangler westbound on Hazlettville Road, east of Nault Road approaching a sharp right curve. The operator failed to negotiate the curve and traveled off the south side of the roadway down an embankment and struck a utility pole with the driver's side door. The Jeep continued westbound overturning and ejecting the right front passenger before coming to a stop on the passenger side.

Robert DaFonte was properly restrained and was pronounced dead at the scene.

James D. Watts, 22 of Camden-Wyoming, who was seated in the right front passenger's seat, was not properly restrained and was pronounced dead at the scene.

The Collision Reconstruction Unit is continuing their investigation into this incident. Hazlettville Road between Apple Grove School Road and Nault Road was closed for approximately three hours while the crash was investigated and cleared.




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# Troopers Arrest Newark Man after Investigation into Bullets Fired at House

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***Newark*** – The Delaware State Police have arrested a Newark man for possession of ammunition and a crossbow after it was determined he was federally prohibited.

The investigation began on Thursday February 23, 2017 when

troopers responded to a residence in the 1000 block of South College Road for a report of someone shooting at their residence. The residents of the home heard a popping noise the previous day (Wednesday February 22, 2017) while in the first floor bathroom and then again Thursday when damage was observed to a window and the bathroom wall. A similar incident was reported from the same household back on November 14, 2016 when a small caliber round was located in the wall of the first floor bathroom.

While conducting the investigation into the most recent events, detectives were able to determine that the projectiles came from a residence located in the 800 block of Cobble Creek Curve which is across both lanes of South College Avenue (SR896). Detectives also located a paper shooting target on a berm just outside the residence, when if a round was fired too high, no other structures, residences, or cars would obstruct the path of the projectile and it would cross SR896, striking the victim's house.

A computer inquiry into the homeowner, who was identified as **Drew R. Chicklo**, 31, revealed he was federally prohibited from owning any firearms due to an August 2013 conviction of Unlawful to Receive a Firearm Not Registered.

On Friday February 24, 2017 around 1:08 p.m., detectives with the assistance of the Delaware State Police Special Operations Response Team, the New Castle County Police, and ATF, executed a search warrant at the residence in the 800 block of Cobble Creek Curve and took Drew Chicklo into custody without incident. Upon conducting a search of his residence, detectives located an empty rifle magazine and another rifle magazine loaded with .22 caliber rounds. There were also numerous spent .22 caliber shell casings in a rear second floor bedroom, a crossbow with bolts, a hunting rifle scope, a hunting knife, and a machete. It was also determined through the investigation that Chicklo's Delmarva Power service had been terminated in July of 2016 after he failed to pay his

bill.  He then tampered with the electrical box in order to restore his power and acquire an unknown amount of power usage.  According to Delmarva Power, the estimated minimum amount of $1,800.00 worth of electricity was stolen during that time period.

Drew Chicklo was transported back to Troop 2 where he was charged with Possession of a Deadly Weapon by a Person Prohibited (Felony), Theft of Services (Felony), and Non-Compliance with Conditions of a Bond (Felony) after he and his ex-fiancé were seen together at his house the night of the 23rd knowing that there was a Protection From Abuse order in place.  Chicklo was arraigned at JP2 and committed to Howard R. Young Correctional Institution on $35,000.00 cash bond.

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# DSP S.O.A.R. Searching for Wanted Sex Offender

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

***Dover, DE-*** The Delaware State Police Sex Offender Apprehension and Registration Unit (S.O.A.R) is currently looking for the following wanted sex offender after he either failed to register or re-register his current address.  If anyone knows the location of this subject, 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 internet at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com, or by sending an anonymous

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| **Risk Level:** | Tier 2 (Moderate Risk) | **Police Agency:** | TROOP 2 STATE POLICE |
| **Verified On:** | March 31, 2016 | **Phone:** | (302) 834-2620 |
| **Registered Since:** | September 20, 2007 | **Address:** | 100 LAGRANGE AVENUE<br>NEWARK, DE 19702 |
| **In Prison:** | No | | |
| **Convicted Out of State:** | No | | |
| **Repeat Offender:** | No | | |

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| **Date of Birth:** | October 10, 1987 (age 29) | **Height:** | 6'1" |
| **Gender:** | Male | **Weight:** | 155 LBS |
| **Race:** | Black/African American | **Hair Color:** | BROWN |
| **Skin Tone:** | DARK BROWN | **Eye Color:** | Brown |

**Aliases**

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**Addresses**

| Type | Address | County | Development/Employer |
|---|---|---|---|
| Home | 540 Concord Bridge PL<br>NEWARK, DE 19702 | NewCastle | |
| Work | (no address on file) | Other | Unemployed |
| School | (no address on file) | Other | Not Attending School |

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# Homeless Sex Offender Notification

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***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 or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword "DSP."

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# Troopers Investigate Strong-Arm Robbery- Claymont




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

***Claymont-*** Delaware State Police are currently investigating the strong arm robbery of a 64 year old man which occurred in the parking lot of a Claymont area Wawa early yesterday morning.

The initial investigation has determined that the incident occurred at approximately 2:25 a.m. on Thursday, February 23, 2017, as a 64 year old male victim was walking to his car which was parked in the lot of the Wawa located at 697 Naamans Road, Claymont. It was at this time that a male suspect approached the victim from behind and grabbed him by the arm. The suspect then demanded the victim's wallet while implying that he was armed with a gun. The victim then turned over an undisclosed amount of money to the suspect, who then entered a tan unknown make and model vehicle, which then fled from the lot in an unknown direction. The victim was not injured.

The suspect was described as a black male 30-35 years of age. No further description of him is available.

If anyone has any information in reference to this incident they are asked to contact the Robbery Unit at Troop 2, Glasgow, at 302-365-8566. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at www.tipsubmit.com, or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword "DSP."

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# **Update – Subject Arrested** Detectives Seek Public's Assistance in Locating Wanted Subject

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

***Laurel*** – State Police have arrested **Stephon R. Jackson,** 18 of Seaford, after a brief pursuit in the Concord area.

Jackson was apprehended by the Troop 5 Pro-Active Criminal Enforcement (P.A.C.E.) team around 5:00 p.m. Thursday February 23, 2017 while he was riding a motorcycle on Henry Drive east of Seaford. Upon locating Jackson, he attempted to flee on foot, but was quickly taken into custody without further incident. A computer check of the motorcycle revealed it was stolen from the Seaford area.

Stephon Jackson was transported back to Troop 5 where he was charged with two counts of Possession of a Firearm or Ammunition by a Person Prohibited as well as the two new charges of Receiving Stolen Property and Resisting Arrest. He was arraigned at JP3 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on $22,000.00 cash bond.

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# Couple Arrested in Series of Robberies

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

***Kent/Sussex Counties*** – The Delaware State Police have arrested a boyfriend and girlfriend duo in connection with a series of robberies throughout Kent and Sussex Counties.

State Police Detectives began investigating the robberies on Wednesday February 8, 2017 when an armed subject entered the Oasis Travel Plaza located in Laurel and obtained an undisclosed amount of money before fleeing. Similar incidents occurred with matching descriptions at the Shawnee Country Store in Milford on February 10, 2017, Family Dollar in Rodney Village, Dover and Canterbury Shore Stop in Felton on February 11, 2017, and finally, Concord Liquors, Seaford as well as the Dollar General in Ellendale on February 12, 2017.

Through investigative measures, and with the assistance of various state police special units, Laurel Police Department, and Dover Police Department, two subjects were identified. On Tuesday February 21, 2017, detectives took **Deandre T. Winder**, 19 of Ellendale, and **Trinity K. West**, 21 of Dover, into custody after a search warrant was executed at Trinity West's residence located in the 300 block of Stone Brook Place.

Both Winder and West were transported back to Troop 4 in Georgetown where Deandre Winder was charged with five counts of Robbery 1st, Attempted Robbery 1st, six counts of Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony, five counts of Aggravated Menacing, six counts of Wearing a Disguise During the Commission of a Felony, and four counts of Conspiracy 2nd. He was arraigned at JP2 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on $659,000.00 cash bond.

Trinity West was incarcerated at Delores J. Baylor Women's Correctional Institution on multiple capiases. She was formally charged on Thursday February 23, 2017 with two counts of Robbery 1st, Attempted Robbery 1st, three counts of Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a

Felony, two counts of Aggravated Menacing, three counts of Wearing a Disguise During the Commission of a Felony, and three counts of Conspiracy.  She remains committed on $215,000.00 secured bond.

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# Troopers Arrest Two Following Pair of Newark Area Burglaries

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

***Newark (19702)-*** Delaware State Police have arrested a man and a woman and charged them in connection with a pair of Newark area residential burglaries which had occurred earlier this month.

The investigation began on Friday, February 3, 2017 after troopers responded to a residence located in the 2000 block of

Pleasant Valley Road, Newark, for the report of a burglary. Upon their arrival, troopers made contact with the homeowner who advised that she discovered that someone had entered her house and removed a flat screen television from inside while the home was unoccupied.

On Wednesday, February 15, 2017, troopers again responded to the report of a burglary which had occurred at a residence located in the 2100 block of Pleasant Valley Road. Upon their arrival, troopers learned that a male suspect, who was in the company of an unknown female, had forced open the rear door of the home. The male made entry into the home, however, he and the female suspect quickly fled in an unknown direction after discovering that the house was occupied by a 12 year old female resident. There were no injuries and no property was taken.

Through the course of their investigation, which included conducting multiple interviews and the examination of physical evidence, troopers were able to develop Andrew Andrade, 36, of Rising Sun, MD, and Shelly Coldiron, 26, of Oxford, PA, as suspects in the burglaries, and learned that they were both staying at a home located in the 1600 block of Old Baltimore Pike, Newark. On Tuesday, February 21st, troopers responded to the residence and were able to take Coldiron and Andrade into custody without incident.

Shelly Coldiron was arrested and charged with Burglary 2nd Degree, Conspiracy 2nd Degree, and Criminal Mischief. She was also found to be wanted out of Delaware County, PA. Coldiron was arraigned at JP Court 2 and committed to the Delores Baylor Correctional Institution in default of $10,000.00 cash bail.

Andrew Andrade was also arrested and charged with two counts of Burglary 2nd Degree, Theft, Criminal Mischief, and Conspiracy 2nd Degree. He was arraigned at JP Court 2 and committed to the Howard Young Correctional Institution in

default of $3,100.00 secured bail.

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# Troopers Investigating a Fatal Pedestrian Crash North of Ellendale

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

***Ellendale*** – The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal crash that claimed the life of an Ellendale man as he was walking along the road.

The incident occurred around 6:19 p.m. Tuesday February 21, 2017 as **Luis D. Rivera**, 44 of Ellendale, was operating a 1986 Ford F350 box truck northbound on North Old State Road, just north of Beach Hwy (SR16). Willie A. Purnell, 46 of Ellendale, who is intellectually disabled, left his nearby residence unsupervised and was walking on North Old State Road in an unknown direction. Rivera, who left the same residence a short time later to search for Willie Purnell, failed to see him in the roadway and struck him with the front left of his vehicle, projecting him into a grassy ditch on the west side of the roadway. The box truck came to a controlled stop just north of the impact area.

Willie Purnell, who was wearing dark colored clothing, was removed from the scene by EMS and transported to Bayhealth Milford Memorial Hospital (MMH) where he was pronounced dead.

Luis Rivera was uninjured in the collision, although he was transported to MMH after he was assaulted by a 29-year-old male from Ellendale, who is a relative of the pedestrian. Upon being released from the hospital, Rivera was charged with 6th Offense Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol (prior convictions: 07/14/93, 05/03/02, 01/08/03, 01/21/05, and 04/09/08), Driving While Suspended and Revoked, and No Proof of Insurance. He was arraigned at JP3 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on $15,000.00 cash bond.

The 29-year-old male has not been charged with any crime and the investigation into that portion of the incident is on-going.

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# Millsboro Man Arrested for Burglary of Car Dealership

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

***Frankford*** – Detectives with the Troop 4 Criminal Investigations Unit have arrested a Millsboro man for burglary and other related crimes after he broke into a used car

dealership twice within two weeks.

**Jeffrey S. Cannon**, 41 of Millsboro, was arrested on Friday February 17, 2017 after detectives were able to link him to two separated burglaries that occurred at The Used Car Factory, located at 34322 DuPont Boulevard. The first incident occurred on January 23, 2017 when the front door was smashed to gain entry. Once inside, Cannon is alleged to have removed more than $250.00 cash from a register till along with two diagnostic scan tools valued at $5,000.00 a piece. A second incident was reported on February 3, 2017 when once again the front door was smash open and upon making entry, two separate desks were ransacked, causing damage to a computer. Cannon then removed various tools valued at more $9,000.00 from the shop and damaged a car hood that was in for repairs before fleeing the business.

A search warrant was conducted at his residence and detectives were able to recover some of the items that were stolen during both heists. Cannon was charged with two counts of Burglary 3rd, two counts of Possession of Burglary Tools, three counts of Theft over $1500, three counts of Theft under $1500, and four counts of Criminal Mischief. He was arraigned at JP2 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on $16,400.00 secured bond.

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