Updated Flyer National Prescription Drug Take-Back Initiative

Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier

Delaware – On Saturday, October 22, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Delaware State Police and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the public its 12th opportunity in six years to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Last April, Americans turned in 447 tons (over 893,000 pounds) of prescription drugs at almost 5,400 sites operated by the DEA and more than 4,200 of its state and local law enforcement partners. Overall, in its 11 previous Take Back events, DEA and its partners have taken in over 6.4 million pounds—about 3,200 tons—of pills.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—both pose potential safety and health hazards.

The locations for planned disposal monitored by the Delaware

State Police will be at the following (The DEA cannot accept liquids, needles or sharps, only pills or patches):

New Castle County

- Delaware State Police Troop 2, 100 LaGrange Avenue, Newark, DE 19702
- Christiana Care, 4755 Ogletown-Stanton Road, Newark, DE 19713

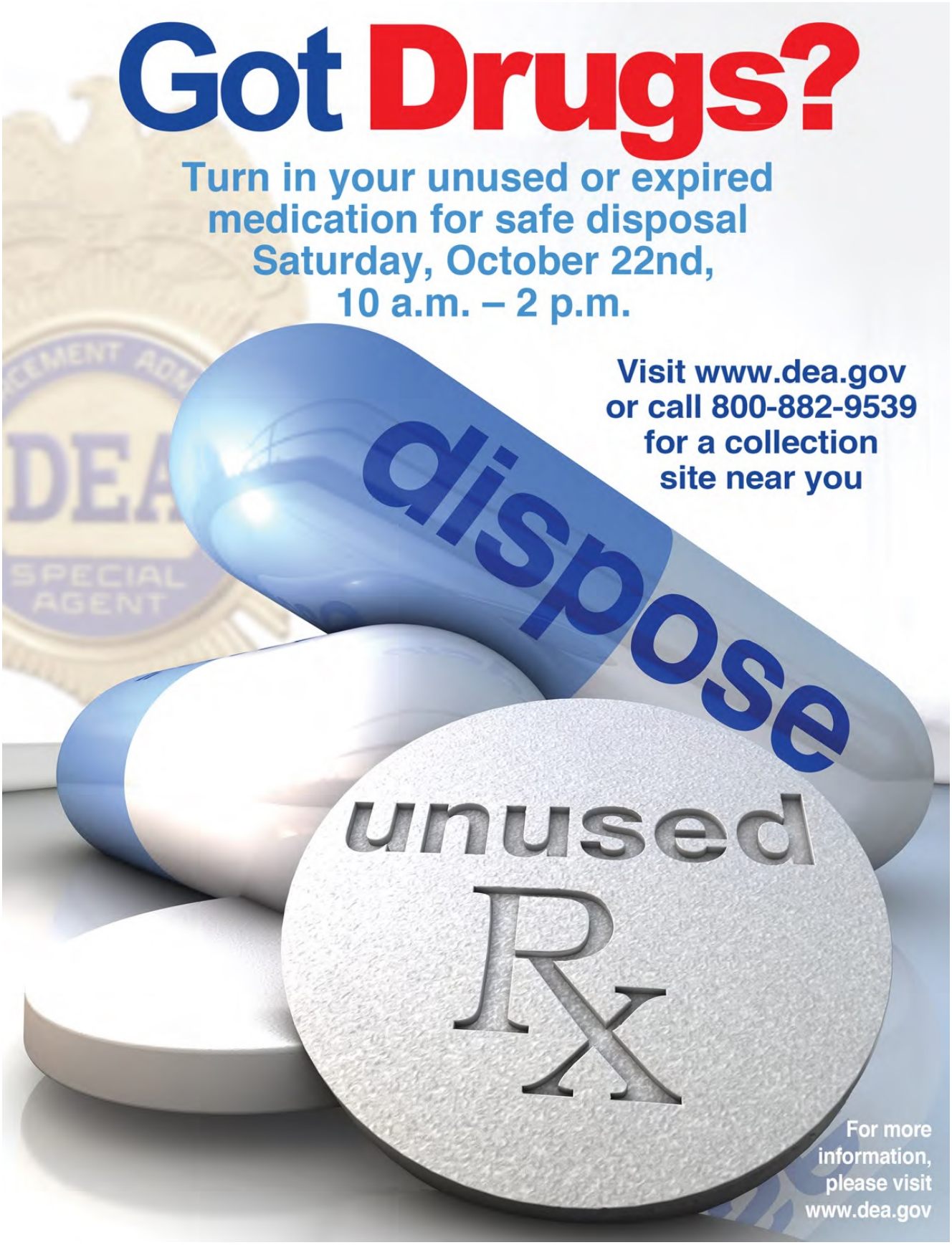
Kent County

- Delaware State Police Troop 3, 3759 South State Street, Camden, DE 19934

Sussex County

- Delaware State Police Troop 4, 23652 Shortly Road, Georgetown, DE 19947.
- Delaware State Police Troop 7, 18006 Coastal Highway, Lewes, DE 19958

For more information about the disposal of prescription drugs or about the October 22 Take Back Day event, go to the DEA Diversion website.



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Troopers Investigating Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash Involving a Pedestrian

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

Smyrna, DE- Delaware State Police are currently investigating a fatal motor vehicle crash in which a male pedestrian has been killed that occurred early this afternoon.

The initial investigation has determined that the crash occurred today, Monday, October 17, 2016, at approximately 12:31 p.m., on southbound SR1 at Paddock Road, Smyrna, and involves a single vehicle which struck a male pedestrian. As a result of the crash the pedestrian has been pronounced dead. The operator of the vehicle did remain at the scene.

The southbound lanes of SR1 are currently closed in the area of the crash and commuters are asked to find alternate routes of travel.

The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is responding to the crash scene and will assume the investigation. Further details will be released at the conclusion of the investigation.

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Trooper Seek Public's Assistance in Locating a Wanted Subject

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Millsboro – State Police are requesting assistance in locating **Ryan P. Gray,** 20 of Millsboro, who is wanted for Burglary and Theft related charges as well as a capias out of Sussex Superior Court for Violation of Probation.

Detectives have linked Gray to two separate burglaries that were committed in the Selbyville and Millsboro areas. In one of the incidents, Gray entered a seasonal home and removed electronic gaming devices as well as a flat screen television.

If anyone has any information in reference to his whereabouts, they are asked to contact Detective T. Boyce at 302-752-3807. 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 Investigating Motorcycle Crash – Middletown

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

Middletown, DE- The Delaware State Police is currently investigating a serious motor vehicle crash involving a motorcycle that occurred this evening southeast of Middletown.

The initial investigation has determined the crash occurred tonight, Sunday October 16, 2016 at approximately 7:02 p.m., as Elmer P. McComas, 51 of New Castle, was operating a 2009 Harley Davidson FKC motorcycle northbound on DuPont Parkway (US 13) approaching the Old State Road intersection. A 2007 Ford Focus, operated by Nicholas G. Alexander, 32 of Smyrna, was westbound on Old State Road entering the intersection to turn left onto US 13 south in front of the motorcycle. The Ford Focus struck the motorcycle which caused the operator to be ejected off the motorcycle. The Ford Focus stopped in the intersection and the motorcycle continued approximately one mile northbound on US 13 until it veered east off the road and struck a ditch.

Elmer P. McComas, 51 of New Castle, was wearing a helmet. He was treated by the New Castle County paramedics and then was transported by EMS to the Christiana Hospital Trauma Center with non-life threatening injuries.

Nicholas G. Alexander, 32 of Smyrna, was not injured in the collision. He was cited for Failure to Remain Stopped at a Stop Sign.

This crash remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police. US 13 and Old State Road was impacted for approximately 20 minutes as the crash was investigated and cleared.

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Troopers Searching for Driver in Serious Pedestrian Hit and Run

Presented by Director of Public Information Sergeant Richard D. Bratz

Hockessin, De.-The Delaware State Police is investigating a serious hit and run crash that has left a female pedestrian seriously injured this evening on Lancaster Pike.

Preliminary investigation indicates the crash occurred today, Sunday, October 16, 2016, at approximately 6:57 p.m. as Judith Powers, 51 of Hockessin, was walking on Lancaster Pike northwest from Wellington West Drive. While in the roadway an unknown light colored vehicle possibly a Honda struck her. After impact the vehicle did not stop and continued westbound into Pennsylvania. After falling to the ground another vehicle, 2007 Honda Accord operated by Angel Escalera Cruz, 27 of New Castle, struck the pedestrian.

The 51 year old female was treated at the scene by the New Castle County Paramedics and was transported by ambulance to

the Christiana Hospital Trauma Center and admitted in critical condition with multiple traumatic injuries.

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

Lancaster Pike 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 Cpl. J. Jefferson at Troop 6 at 302-660-3797 or Troop 6 at 302-633-5000. 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 Serious Motor Vehicle Crash-New Castle

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

New Castle, DE – The Delaware State Police is currently investigating a serious crash with multiple vehicles that occurred north of New Castle this morning.

The preliminary investigation revealed the incident occurred around 11:19 a.m. Sunday, October 16, 2016 as Harold Clare, 84 of Pennsylvania, was operating a 2006 Toyota Sienna westbound on I-295 in the left lane approaching I-495 overpass. A 2016 Hyundai Elantra, operated by Deborah A. Newman, 61 of New Jersey, was directly behind the Sienna. As the driver of the Toyota Sienna began to decrease speed due to traffic congestion ahead the Hyundai Elantra failed to stop in time and struck the rear center of the Sienna. This caused a 2004 Mercedes Benz, operated by Carole M. Mixon, 71 of New Jersey, to rear end the Elantra. Another 2003 Mercedes Benz, operated by Willa M. Robinson, 68 of North Carolina struck the rear of the first Mercedes. A 2007 Ford Taurus directly behind the second Mercedes, operated by Christopher Harrington, 39 of Massachusetts , swerved to the right lane to avoid the collisions and was struck by a 2011 tractor trailer, operated by Quintae L. Hall, 36 of Pennsylvania. All vehicles came to rest in the two westbound lanes of I-295.

Christopher Harrington, 39 of Massachusetts, operator of the Ford Taurus was treated at the scene by New Castle County Paramedics before being transported by EMS to the Christiana Hospital Medical Center where he was treated for his serious injuries.

Willa M. Robinson, 68 of North Carolina, was treated at the scene by New Castle County Paramedics before being removed by EMS and transported to the Christiana Hospital Medical Center where she was treated for her non-life threatening injuries. Kristin Robinson was a passenger and was not injured.

Carole M. Mixon, 71 of New Jersey, was treated at the scene by New Castle County Paramedics before being removed by EMS and transported to the Christiana Hospital Medical Center where she was treated for her non-life threatening injuries. Raymond Mixon, 67 of New Jersey, was a passenger and was transported to the hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

Quintae L. Hall, 36 of Pennsylvania, operator of the tractor trailer was not injured in the collision.

Deborah A. Newman, 61 of New Jersey, and her passenger Francis Newman were not injured in the collision. Deborah A. Newman was cited for Following too Closely.

Harold Clare, 84 of Pennsylvania operator of the Toyota Sienna and passenger Regina Camplone, 77 of New Jersey, was not injured in the collision.

This crash remains under investigation by the Delaware State Police. I-295 westbound in the area of the collisions was closed approximately one hour as the crash was investigated and cleared.

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Subject Wanted for Escape Arrested – Seaford

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

Seaford, DE– The Delaware State Police have arrested Department of Corrections Escapee, Anthony R. Zack of Seaford.

On Tuesday, October 11, 2016, the Sussex Community Correction Center transported Anthony R. Zack, 22 of Laurel, as part of a road crew detail working in the area of the Bethel Community House on Main Street Bethel, Delaware. Zack fled from the road crew detail into the wooded area and attempts to locate him were unsuccessful.

Anthony R. Zack was also wanted for a vehicle pursuit which occurred on Friday, October 14, 2016 in the area of Johnson Avenue, Blades in which Zack attempted to strike a trooper with his vehicle and damaged a victim's property with his vehicle when he fled.

On Saturday, October 15, 2016 around 5:00 p.m. troopers from the Pro-Active Criminal Enforcement team responded to a residence on Gum Branch Road, Seaford, in attempt to locate the escapee. Upon arrival a search of the residence was conducted and during the search movement could be heard coming from the attic of an unfinished detached garage. As troopers entered the attic Zack was located behind a false wall of insulation. Zack refused to comply with verbal commands and was tased in order to gain compliance. He was found to be in possession of a large butcher knife. Anthony R. Zack was removed from the attic and taken into custody without further incident. Zack's mother, Tammy Zack, 50 of Seaford, was found to permit her son to hide in the residence and made several attempts to interfere with the investigation. She was also arrested at the scene without incident. Zack was arrested on the pending warrants for Escape After Conviction, Reckless Endangering, Possession of Deadly Weapon, and Criminal Mischief. In addition he was charged for the pursuit; Disregard a Police Officer Signal, Leaving the Scene of a Collision, Aggressive Driving, Criminal Mischief and multiple traffic violations. He was also charged with Resisting Arrest and Carrying a Concealed Deadly Instrument. Tammy Zack was arrested on charges of Hindering Prosecution.

Both were arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 3

and Anthony R. Zack was committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution in default of $55,000.00 cash bond. Tammy Zack was committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution in default of $2,000.00 secured bond. (Anthony R. Zack mugshot attached/Tammy Zack mugshot is not available)

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Troopers Conduct Traffic Stop Nets Heroin and Weapon

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

Ellendale/Bridgeville – The Delaware State Police have arrested a Milton man after a pursuit and traffic stop leads to heroin and weapon possession.

The preliminary investigation has determined the incident occurred on Saturday October 15, 2016 around 6:55 p.m. as troopers from the Pro-Active Criminal Enforcement team attempted to conduct a vehicle stop in the area of North DuPont Boulevard (US 113) and Beach Highway (SR 16).

The suspect vehicle, a Buick LeSabre, was traveling northbound on DuPont Boulevard in the right lane. The driver was observed

committing a traffic violation and troopers initiated a vehicle stop. The vehicle entered the Royal Farms parking lot located at 16979 Beach Highway, Ellendale. Troopers activated their emergency lights and the vehicle came to a stop in the area of the gas pumps. As troopers began to exit their patrol vehicle to approach the Buick, the vehicle sped off at a high rate of speed. The vehicle exited the parking lot onto Beach Highway in a westbound direction. The vehicle continued westbound on Beach Highway and began rapidly accelerating passing a vehicle in the opposite lane of travel. During the pursuit the driver was seen throwing suspected drugs from the vehicle. The suspect drove at high speeds in a reckless manner while traveling on the wrong side of the roadway several times and failing to stop at stop signs. The suspect continued to speed on Coverdale Road and turn on Mill Park Drive running vehicles off of the road. The suspect vehicle drove through multiple yards with his driver's side door open in an attempt to flee the vehicle on foot. The vehicle traveled on Mill Park Drive and stopped in a private drive. The operator, David L. Harmon, 25 of Milton, ran from his vehicle directly in front of the patrol vehicle and was struck causing minor injury.

David L. Harmon was transported by ambulance to the Nanticoke Hospital and admitted for a minor injury. A search of the suspect revealed a heroin bag on his person. The search of the suspect vehicle revealed a handgun with bags of heroin, ammunition rounds and drug residue from the narcotics that were thrown from the vehicle. There were a total of 20 bags of heroin located weighing over 2 grams, drug paraphernalia and a handgun was seized.

David L. Harmon was charged with the following: Manufactures, delivers, or PWID a controlled substance with Aggravating Factor, Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony, Possession of a Firearm by a Person Prohibited, Possession of Ammunition by Person Prohibited, Possession of Heroin, Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon- A Firearm,

Tampering With Physical Evidence, Disregarding a Police Officer Signal, five counts of Reckless Endangering Second Degree, Resisting Arrest, Criminal Trespass Third Degree, Driving While Suspended or Revoked, five counts of Reckless Driving, Aggressive Driving, four counts of Fail to Signal, three counts of Failure to Stop at Stop Sign, five counts of Driving at Unreasonable or Imprudent Speed, Improper Passing and five counts of Driving on the Wrong Side of the Roadway.

David Harmon was also found to be driving on a suspended license. Harmon is also a person prohibited from carrying a firearm due to a violent felony stemming from a Drug Dealing conviction on February 2, 2015. A warrant was obtained from Justice of the Peace Court 3 and David L. Harmon was committed to the Department of Corrections in default of $82,000.00 cash bond.

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State Police Investigate Robbery of Goodwill Store-Wilmington

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

Wilmington, De.- Troopers are investigating the robbery of a Wilmington area Goodwill store that occurred this afternoon.

The preliminary investigation revealed the incident occurred at approximately 3:40 p.m. Saturday, October 15, 2016 as troopers and Newport Police responded to a robbery at the Goodwill store located at 300 East Lea Boulevard, Wilmington. The two suspects entered the store and pretended to be customers while waiting for closing time. The suspects approached the cashier's counter and confronted the clerks with a large knife and a garden tool and demanded money from the cash registers. The clerks complied with the suspect's demands and turned over an undisclosed amount of money. Both suspects fled from the store on foot across Lea Boulevard disappearing into the tree line at the edge of the woods just west of the entrance to Colony North. The employees were not injured.

The suspects were described as black males approximately 17 to 20 years old, 5'06" to 5' 08" tall. Both suspects had a thin build and weighed between 120 to 140 lbs. The first suspect with the knife was wearing dark pants and t-shirt and the second suspect with the garden tool was wearing blue jeans and a dark coat.

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.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com, or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword "DSP."

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Troopers Investigate Shooting North of Rehoboth Beach

Presented by Director of Public Information Sergeant Richard D. Bratz

Rehoboth Beach – Troopers are investigating a shooting that sent one victim to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

The preliminary investigation has determined the incident happened around 2:10 p.m., today Saturday, October 15, 2016, after Troop 7 in Lewes received a call from the Beebe Hospital in reference to a 19 year old victim that arrived with a gunshot wound to his lower extremity. The shooting incident was reported to have occurred on Wolfe Neck Road, Rehoboth

Beach.

The victim contacted a relative who transported him to the hospital where he was treated and released for the non-life-threatening injury.

The investigation into this incident is on-going and no suspect information could be provided.

If anyone has any information in reference to this incident they are asked to contact Detective T. Boyce at 302-752-3792. 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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