

****Update - Roadway Open****
Troopers Conducting a
Criminal Investigation -
Frederica

Presented by Public Information Officer Master Corporal Gary Fournier

Frederica- Bay Road (SR1) northbound and southbound lanes have been re-opened at this time.

Further details outlining the investigation will be released later this morning.

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****Traffic Advisory****

Troopers Conducting a Criminal Investigation - Frederica

Frederica- The Delaware State Police are currently conducting a criminal investigation on Bay Road (SR1) southbound just south of Barratts Chapel Road.

SR1 northbound and southbound are currently closed in the area of Barratts Chapel Road. Commuters are advised to seek alternate routes of travel.

Further details outlining the investigation will be released later this morning.

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Trooper Seek Public's Assistance in Locating Rape Suspect

Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier

Joseph R. Genitempo, 34, originally of Felton, is wanted for Rape 1st after an investigation began when an 11-year-old female disclosed to her mother that she was sexually molested by him over the course of year and a half beginning back in August of 2014.

Genitempo may be living somewhere in New Jersey.

If anyone has any information in reference to Joseph R. Genitempo, they are asked to contact Detective W. Miller at 302-698-8435. 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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****Update-Name Released****

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

Troopers Investigate Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash- Harrington

Harrington, DE – The Delaware State Police have identified the person in the fatal motor vehicle crash that occurred on Friday, June 24, 2016, as Kevin J. Dredde, 43 of Seaford, Delaware.

The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this crash.

If anyone has witnessed or may have any information in reference to this incident they are asked to contact **Corporal J. Lane at 302-697-4454**. 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 Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash – Harrington

Harrington, DE- Delaware State Police is investigating a fatal motor vehicle crash that occurred late last night south of Harrington.

The preliminary investigation has determined the crash occurred on Friday, June 24, 2016 at approximately 11:05 p.m., as a 2003 Cadillac CTS operated by an unknown operator was traveling west bound on Williamsville Road east of Gun and Rod Club Road south of Harrington. For unknown reasons, the Cadillac lost control and began to rotate in a counter-clockwise direction as it exited the travel lane and south edge of the road. The vehicle slid through the grass edge sideways and started to trip and rolled several times parallel to the roadway coming to rest on its left side facing in an easterly direction. The victim was ejected from the vehicle during the collision and was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Shortly after this collision an unidentified black male was observed by witnesses walking away from the scene. The witnesses made contact with the subject who advised he was involved in the collision and was going home. The unidentified subject was last seen walking west bound on

Williamsville Road. At this time it is believed the operator of vehicle is possibly the victim but has not been confirmed at this time. The name of the victim is being withheld at this point pending the notification of his next of kin.

The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this crash. Alcohol and speed are believed to be factors in this collision.

Williamsville Road was closed in the area of the crash for approximately three hours during the on scene investigation.

If anyone has witnessed or may have any information in reference to this incident they are asked to contact **Cpl./3 J. Lane at 302-697-4454**. 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 Serious Crash – Wilmington



Presented by Public Information Officer Master Corporal
Jeffrey R. Hale

****Update****

Wilmington, DE- Delaware State Police continue to investigate

a four vehicle crash in which three people were injured that occurred early this afternoon in Wilmington.

The investigation has determined that the crash occurred at approximately 12:38 p.m. this afternoon, Monday, June 27, 2016, as Scott Masotti, 25, of Tannersville, PA, was operating a 2016 Nissan Sentra and was traveling in the right hand lane of southbound I-95 just south of Maryland Avenue, Wilmington. As Masotti observed traffic slowing in front of him, he made a left hand lane change into the center lane of the highway where traffic was also slowing. Masotti then attempted to enter the left hand lane, however, the front of his vehicle struck the rear of a 2004 Honda Civic which was slowing in the center lane, and which was being operated by Rosario Velazquez-Flores, 18, of Wilmington. After the impact the Honda spun in a counter-clockwise direction and then struck the side of Masotti's vehicle before leaving the left hand side of the roadway. The Honda then struck a metal guardrail before coming to rest. The Sentra spun in a counter-clockwise direction and struck the rear of a 2013 Buick Verano which was stopped in the center lane of the highway, and which was being operated by Nancy B. Senior, 74, of Wilmington. It then continued in a southbound direction where it then struck the rear of a 2008 Ford Fusion which was also stopped in the center lane of the highway and which was being operated by Eric Petka, 31, of Wilmington. The Nissan then came to rest in the roadway. Nancy Senior and Eric Petka were able to bring their vehicles to a controlled stop in the left hand lane of the highway just south of the collision scene.

Rosario Velazquez-Flores, Nancy Senior, and a 68 year old female passenger in her vehicle, were all treated at the scene by New Castle County Paramedics before being transported by EMS to the Christiana Hospital Trauma Center where they were treated for their injuries.

Eric Petka and Scott Masotti were not injured. Masotti was cited by Troopers with Reckless Driving, Inattentive Driving,

Inappropriate Speed, and Making an Improper Lane Change.

The southbound lanes of I-95 were closed for approximately 2 hours as the crash was investigated and cleared.

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****Original Release****

****Traffic Advisory****

Wilmington, DE- Delaware State Police are currently investigating a multi-vehicle crash which occurred early this afternoon in Wilmington.

The initial investigation has determined that the crash occurred at approximately 12:38 p.m. today, Monday, June 27, 2016, on southbound I-95 in the area of Maryland Avenue. As a result of the crash, one person has been removed from the scene and transported to the Christiana Hospital Trauma Center with serious injuries. It is unknown at this time if there were any other injuries.

All lanes of southbound I-95 have been closed at this time, although traffic is getting by on the shoulder. The left hand lane of northbound I-95 has also been closed. Commuters are asked to find alternate routes of travel around the crash scene.

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

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Troopers Investigate Attempted Robbery of Townsend Shore Stop

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Jeffrey R. Hale

Townsend, DE- Delaware State Police are investigating the attempted armed robbery of a Townsend area gas station that occurred early this morning.

The investigation has determined that the incident occurred this morning, Monday, June 27, 2016, at approximately 2:04 a.m., as a male suspect entered the Shore Stop, located at 4235 DuPont Parkway, Townsend. The suspect, who was armed with a knife, approached a male employee of the store and presented a demand note for cash. The employee, however, refused to comply with the suspect's demands. The suspect then fled from the store and was last seen fleeing from the parking lot in an unknown make and model pick-up truck. The clerk was not injured.

The suspect was described as a white male. He was 5'07"-5'09" tall, weighed 160-170 lbs., had short red hair, and was last seen wearing a gray sweatshirt and blue jeans. 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, 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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Troopers Investigate Gas Station Robbery



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Bear, DE- Delaware State Police are currently investigating the armed robbery of a Bear area BP station that occurred early last night.

The initial investigation has determined that the incident occurred at approximately 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 26, 2016, as a male suspect entered the BP station located at 3596 Wrangle Hill Road, Bear. The suspect, who was armed with an unknown make and model handgun, confronted a male clerk of the store and demanded money and cigarettes. The clerk complied with the suspect's demands and turned over an undisclosed amount of money and cigarettes to him. The suspect then exited the business and was last seen fleeing on foot toward the rear of the store. There were no injuries.

The suspect was described as a white male. He was 5'06"-5'10" tall, weighed 175-200 lbs., and was last seen wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, grey sweatpants, and black and white sneakers. He also had a mask covering his face.

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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The Delaware State Police would like to congratulate the members of the 2016 Spring Citizen's Police Academy who graduated in a ceremony held at Troop 2 on Wednesday, June 22, 2016. During the six week course, the class participants gained a deeper understanding of the job knowledge, skills, and abilities required of a Delaware State Trooper.

Troopers Offer Parking Lot Safety Tips

Presented by Public Information Officer Master Corporal Jeffrey R. Hale



Parking lots are a common sight in the US and so are the accidents that take place in them. A staggering one of every five motor vehicle accidents take place in a parking lot. One of the major reasons behind collisions, injuries, and fatalities that happen in parking lots is the false sense of security motorists and pedestrians feel. Pedestrians and drivers expect traffic to move more slowly, which means that caution takes a back seat.

While crashes between two vehicles account for some of these

numbers, pedestrians are also often struck by vehicles moving in and out from parking spaces. Tragically, an average of 206 people (drivers and pedestrians) are killed each year in parking lot related accidents. Both pedestrians and drivers should view parking lots as if they were streets and intersections. After all, they do have set speed limits and have the same traffic markings to indicate traffic patterns. The Delaware State Police would like to offer the following safety tips for both pedestrians and drivers to follow when using parking lots.

Pedestrian Tips

- Be cautious and aware of your surroundings when walking in a parking lot.
- Do not assume that drivers can see you when you can see them. In many cases, the pedestrian sees and hears a vehicle before a driver can see the pedestrian due to blind spots in vehicles.
- Treat the parking lot like a street. Look both ways before crossing, use crosswalks, and always use sidewalks whenever possible.
- Walk down the parking lots aisles and not in-between vehicles when walking to and from your vehicle.
- Try to avoid areas where it would be hard for a driver to see you, for instance in loading dock areas. Try to walk in groups when in a parking lot. It makes it easier for a driver to see.
- In bad weather like snow, wear proper footwear to provide adequate traction to avoid slipping and falling.

Driving Tips

- When looking for a place to park, park further away where there is less pedestrian and vehicle traffic.
- Whenever possible, avoid being in reverse. More incidents happen in reverse due to not knowing your surroundings.

- Pull all the way through the parking space to avoid having to reverse when leaving. If you cannot, now is the time to back into the space, since you have had the time to check the surroundings.
 - Drivers of motorcycles and bicycles are to follow the same traffic rules as drivers of vehicle.
 - Slow Down! The speed limit is 10 mph in most parking lots. Any faster speeds may result in a fatal injury to a pedestrian.
 - Reduce speeds in bad weather. In wet weather, vehicles have a higher chance of skidding.
 - Be cautious in parking garages. They have tight spaces and low clearance. Older parking garage may not be able to handle today's large vehicle so drive cautiously. Also, it is harder to spot pedestrians in parking garage.
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Troopers Investigating Multiple Vehicle Crash

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

****Traffic Advisory****

New Castle, De- Delaware State Police are currently investigating a multiple vehicle crash that occurred this afternoon in New Castle.

The initial investigation has determined that the crash occurred at approximately 3:40 p.m. today, Sunday, June 26, 2016 on I95 northbound just south of Airport Road exit 5. It involves a Tractor trailer and four other vehicles.

Only the far right lane of I95 northbound is closed at this time. Motorists are asked to find alternate routes of travel.

More details will be released at the conclusion of the investigation.

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