



**Manalapan Twp. Police : Press Release / Police Blotter
MARCH 4th Through MARCH 10th 2020**

Incident 20MN05890 - Fraud

On Tuesday, March 10, 2020, at approximately 3:40pm, the victim, a 72-year-old Manalapan, NJ resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported an incident of Fraud. The victim advised that on March 9, 2020, an unknown actor(s) utilized the victim's bank account information by fraudulently depositing forged checks from a cell phone. Patrolman Jeremy Slad is the investigating officer.

Incident 20MN05883- Theft

On Tuesday March 10, 2020 at 2:20PM, the victim, a 72-year-old Manalapan, NJ resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported an incident of Theft. The victim advised that sometime in June of 2019, she had several items removed from her residence by an unknown actor(s). Patrolman Anthony Cascella handled the report.

Incident 20MN05841- Harassment/Terroristic Threats

On Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at approximately 9:05am, the victim, a 58-year-old Manalapan, NJ resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters to report an incident of Harassment and Terroristic Threats. The victim advised that a contractor he hired to do work at his business has recently been harassing and threatening him via cell phone. Patrolman Anthony Cascella handled the report.

Incident 20MN05840 – Motor Vehicle Theft

On Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at approximately 8:59am, patrols responded to a residence located on Blair Lane in reference to a report of a Motor Vehicle Theft. The victim, a 56-year-old Manalapan, NJ resident advised that sometime between March 9, 2020 at 6:00pm and March 10, 2020 at 8:00am, her personally owned vehicle was removed from her driveway. The vehicle had the key fob in the vehicle at the time it was taken. This case is pending further investigation. Patrolman Ross Dessel handled the report.

20MN05804 – Fraud

On March 9, 2020 at approximately 9:06 pm, the victim, a 63-year-old Marlboro, NJ resident contacted the Manalapan Township Police while shopping at Wegmans and reported an incident of Fraud. The victim advised that an unknown actor(s) advised her to purchase \$12,000 in Best Buy gift cards in exchange for service to her faulty email account. The victim then learned that the company was fraudulent and that she was defrauded on the purchase of the gift cards. Patrolman Aaron Abeles handled the report.

Incident 20MN05767 – Simple Assault

On Monday, March 9, 2020 at approximately 12:49pm, patrols responded to a business located on State Highway 33 in reference to a report of Simple Assault. The victim, a 37-year-old male advised that he got into a physical altercation with a co-worker. No injuries were reported as a result. Patrolman Ross Dessel handled the report.

Incident 20MN05756- Fraud

On Monday, March 9, 2020, at approximately 9:52am, the victim, a 36-year-old Manalapan, NJ resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported an incident of Fraud. The victim related that in June of 2019, an unknown actor(s) had opened a fraudulent wireless account. Patrolman Christopher Oleksy handled the report.

Incident 20MN05731 - Possession of Under 50 grams of Marijuana / Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

On Sunday, March 8, 2020, at approximately 11:38pm, Patrolman Kyle Williams conducted a motor vehicle stop on State Highway 9 for a motor vehicle violation. Further investigation revealed that the driver, Willie Melendez, a 32-year-old male, single, employed as a manager and resident of Elizabeth, NJ, was found to be in possession of under 50 grams of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. Mr. Melendez was arrested and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and released after being served with a summons. Patrolman Kyle Williams was the arresting officer.

Incident 20MN05619– Warrant Arrest

On Saturday, March 7, 2020, at approximately 12:45pm, Daniel Soto Jr., a 27-year old male, single, employed as a bartender and resident of Manalapan, NJ, turned himself in at Manalapan Township Police Headquarters regarding a warrant that was issued for his arrest by the Manalapan Municipal Court in the amount of \$1000.00. Mr. Soto Jr., was processed and released after posting bail. Patrolman Morgan Joiner was the arresting officer.

Incident 20MN05606- Warrant Arrest

On Saturday, March 7, 2020 at approximately 9:45am, Patrolman Bart Mattaliano conducted a motor vehicle stop on State Highway 33 for a motor vehicle violation. Further investigation revealed that the passenger, Berkeley Hutchinson, a 37-year-old male, married, unemployed and resident of Neptune, NJ was found to have a warrant that was issued for his arrest by the Monmouth County Superior Court. Mr. Hutchinson was arrested and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and then transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution. Patrolman Bart Mattaliano was the arresting officer.

Incident 20MN05555 – Warrant Arrest

On Friday, March 6, 2020, at approximately 12:51pm, Christoph Bologna, a 50-year-old male, self-employed and resident of Manalapan, NJ, turned himself in at Manalapan Township Police Headquarters regarding a warrant that was issued for his arrest by the Manalapan Municipal Court in the amount of \$1000.00. Mr. Bologna was processed and released after posting bail. Patrolman Mantas Stanionis was the arresting officer.

Incident 20MN05506 – Stolen Vehicle

On Thursday, March 5, 2020, at approximately 7:05pm, patrols responded to a residence on Meadow Green Circle in reference to a report of a Theft of a motor vehicle. The victim, a 72-year-old resident of Manalapan, NJ advised that sometime between March 2, 2020 and March 3, 2020, an actor(s) removed her personally owned parked vehicle from the driveway of her residence. This incident is pending further investigation. Patrolman Mantas Stanionis handled the report.

Incident 20MN05504- Fraud

On Thursday, March 5, 2020, at approximately 6:57pm, the victim, a 63-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported an incident of Fraud. The victim advised that a personal check that he mailed had been altered and cashed by an unknown actor(s). Patrolman Jason Vigneault handled the report.

Incident 20MN05490- Fraud

On Thursday, March 5, 2020, at approximately 5:00pm, the victim, a 54-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters to report an incident of Fraud. The victim advised that sometime between February 28 and March 2, 2020, her bank account was compromised by an unknown actor(s). Patrolman Jason Vigneault handled the report.

Incident 20MN05455- Warrant Arrest

On Thursday, March 5, 2020, at approximately 9:25am, Patrolman Bart Mattaliano conducted a motor vehicle stop on State Highway 33 for a motor vehicle violation. The driver, Tandria Richardson, a 30-year-old female, single, self-employed and resident of Manalapan, NJ, was found to have warrants that were issued for her arrest by the Freehold Boro Municipal Court in the total amount of \$1139.00. Mrs. Richardson was arrested and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and released on bail. Patrolman Bart Mattaliano was the arresting officer.

Incident 20MN05449 – Fraud

On Thursday, March 5, 2020, at approximately 8:21am, the victim, a 58-year-old Manalapan, NJ resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters to report an incident of Fraud. The victim advised that an unknown actor(s) made unauthorized purchases with their personal information. The incident is pending further investigation. Patrolman Zike handled the report.

Incident 20MN05434 – Warrant Arrest

On Wednesday, March 4, 2020, at approximately 11:35pm, patrols responded to Jackson Township Police Department and took custody of Joseph Sica, a 35-year-old male, single, employed as a foreman and resident of Jackson, NJ. Mr. Sica had a warrant that was issued for his arrest by the Manalapan Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$1000.00. Mr. Sica was processed and transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution in default of bail. Patrolman Sean McCarthy was the arresting officer.