

Manalapan Twp. Police Dept. Press Releases

February 2– February 8, 2022

*****Residents are reminded to remove any valuables from unoccupied vehicles and remember to lock your vehicle's doors.
DO NOT LEAVE KEY FOBS IN VEHICLES! *****

22MN02578 – Theft

On Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at approximately 6:04 p.m., a 54-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor(s) removed a license plate from a vehicle that was parked in the driveway of a Knox Lane residence. Patrolman Matthew Meyler handled the report.

22MN02554 – Fraud / Theft by Deception

On Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at approximately 12:24 p.m., a 74-year-old Manalapan resident reported being contacted via email by an unknown actor(s) claiming to be an Amazon employee, who advised that the victim owed money for a transaction. The victim subsequently provided \$3,000.00 in Target gift cards to the unknown actor. Patrolman Joseph DeFilippis handled the report. Residents are reminded to be aware of these types of scams and to contact the Manalapan Police at 732 446-4300 if you suspect fraud.

22MN02545 – Fraud

On Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at approximately 11:22 a.m., a 43-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) hacked their email and altered their Facebook account. Patrolman Anthony Cascella handled the report.

22MN02536 – Fraud

On Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at approximately 10:35 a.m., a 53-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) opened a checking and savings account at TD bank using the victim's personal information. There was no monetary loss reported as a result of this incident. Patrolman Anthony Cacella handled the report.

22MN02468 – Warrant Arrest

On Monday, February, 7 2022, at approximately 9:41 a.m., Patrolman Ross Dessel took custody of Devante F. Matthews, a 24-year-old, unemployed, unmarried, male resident of Staten Island, NY, from the Morris County Jail regarding a warrant that was issued for his arrest by the Manalapan Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$1,000.00. Mr. Matthews was transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution in lieu of bail. Patrolman Ross Dessel was the arresting officer.

22MN02436 – Theft / Criminal Mischief

On Sunday, February 6, 2022, at approximately 3:47 p.m., a 48-year-old resident of Woodside, New York reported that an unknown actor(s) had stolen a catalytic converter from a vehicle while it was parked at a Wilson Avenue business. The estimated value of the damage and stolen property has not yet been determined. Patrolman Matthew Meyler took the report, which is pending further investigation.

22MN02311 – Theft of Property

On Friday, February 4, 2022, at approximately 6:33 p.m., a 65-year-old Manalapan resident reported an unknown actor(s) stole approximately \$1,400.00 in cash from the Knob Hill Country Lanes, located at 363 Route 33 in Manalapan. Patrolman Everett McNulty took the report, which is pending further investigation.

22MN02305 – Fraud

On Friday, February 4, 2022, at approximately 4:19 p.m., a 61-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters to report that an unknown actor(s) utilized their personal information to apply for unemployment insurance. No monetary loss was reported as a result of this incident. Patrolman Jason Vigneault took the report.

22MN02285 – Harassment

On Friday, February 4, 2022, at approximately 11:35 a.m., a 47-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported being harassed by an unknown actor(s) via phone calls and text messages. Patrolman Kyle Williams handled the report.

22MN02207 – Fraud

On Thursday, February 3, 2022, at approximately 9:44 a.m., a 45-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) fraudulently created a NJ temporary vehicle registration that matched the victim's vehicle registration to avoid paying for EZ Pass fines. Patrolman Bart Mattaliano handled the report.

22MN02193 – Driving While Intoxicated

On Wednesday, February 2, 2022, at approximately 11:14 p.m., Patrolman James Guarino, Patrolman Kimberly Whitehill, Patrolman Dennis O'Brien, and Patrolman Jeremy Slad responded to the area of U.S Highway 9 north and Taylors Mills Road for a report of a motor vehicle crash. Upon arrival, it was determined that one of the vehicles involved had fled the scene immediately after the crash but was later located. The driver of the vehicle, identified as Megan L. Pardi, a 34-year-old, unmarried, unemployed, female resident of Basking Ridge, was placed under arrest for Driving While Intoxicated. Ms. Pardi was subsequently placed under arrest and released after being issued summonses.

22MN02172 – Identity Theft

On Wednesday, February 2, 2022, at approximately 3:37 pm, a 59-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) obtained their personal information and opened a TD Bank account. The unknown actors reportedly opened a credit card in the victim's name and made \$5,300.00 in fraudulent charges. Patrolman Christopher Makwinski handled the report.

22MN02165 – Fraud

On Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at approximately 2:54 p.m., a 53-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) opened a Montgomery Ward credit card in the victim's name and purchased \$726.53 worth of merchandise on January 20, 2022 that was shipped to an Indiana address. The credit card was subsequently closed and the charges are being investigated. Ptl. Anthony Cascella handled the report.