

Manalapan Twp. Police Dept. Press Releases

June 5 – June 11, 2024

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! *****

24MN24474 – Harassment

On Monday, June 10, 2024, at approximately 3:56 p.m., a 58-year-old Morganville resident reported being verbally harassed by an unknown actor while at the Santander Bank, located at 345 Union Hill Road in Manalapan. Patrolman Haydn Matarazzo handled the report.

24MN24456 – Warrant Arrest

On Monday, June 10, 2024, at approximately 12:44 p.m., Luigi Esposito, a 52-year-old, married, unemployed, male resident of Red Bank NJ, was found to have two warrants issued for his arrest by the Middletown Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$850.00 after being involved in a motor vehicle crash on Taylor Mills Road in Manalapan. Mr. Esposito was placed under arrest and subsequently turned over to the Middletown Township Police Department. Patrolman Marshall Bitsko was the arresting officer.

24MN24440 – Fraud

On Monday, June 10, 2024, at approximately 10:24 a.m., a 75-year-old Manalapan Resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported being defrauded in the amount of \$249.99 by an unknown actor posing as an employee of an internet security company. Patrolman Matthew Parke handled the incident, which is pending further investigation.

24MN24323 – Harassment / Terroristic Threats

On Sunday, June 9, 2024, at approximately 11:22 a.m., a 33-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that being harassed and threatened via text message on June 9, 2024. Patrolman James Joiner handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN24262 – Fraud

On Saturday, June 8, 2024, at approximately 6:38 p.m., a 44-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor(s) gained access to a debit card and attempted to made fraudulent purchases in the amount of \$638.68. Patrolman Anthony Cascella took the report.

24MN24245 – Theft

On Saturday, June 8, 2024, at approximately 3:44 p.m., a 77-year-old Wrightstown resident reported that a wallet and its contents, valued at approximately \$420.00, had been stolen while shopping at the Marshall's Department Store, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan. Patrolman Christopher Kinnie handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN24162 – Fraud

On Friday, June 7, 2024, at 6:18 p.m., a 63-year-old Marlboro resident reported being defrauded by an unknown actor in the amount of \$5,000.00 worth of bitcoin as the result of a phone scam. Patrolman Christopher Kinnie handled the report.

24MN24152 – Fraud

On Friday, June 7, 2024, at approximately 4:14 p.m., a 61-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported unknown actor(s) made fraudulent purchases in the amount of \$130.19 to the victim's debit card. Patrolman Brandon Rodrigues took the report.

24MN24143 – Fraud

On Friday, June 7, 2024, at 3:01 p.m., an 80-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor(s) fraudulently withdrew approximately \$30,000.00 from the victim's bank account. Patrolman Marshall Bitsko handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN24136 – Fraud

On Friday, June 7, 2024, at 2:06 p.m., a 73-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported being defrauded in the amount of \$39,310.33 by an investment company. Patrolman James Joiner handled the incident, which is pending further investigation.

24MN24133 – Fraud

On Friday, June 7, 2024, at 1:53 p.m., an 85-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor(s) used the victim's credit card to make fraudulent purchases in the amount of \$830.00. Patrolman Marshall Bitsko handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN24127 – Fraud

On Friday, June 7, 2024, at approximately 1:04 p.m., a 57-year-old Manalapan resident reported unknown actor(s) fraudulently cashed a check in the amount of \$26,883.68. Patrolman Christopher Oleksy took the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN24082 – Warrant Arrest

On Friday, June 07, 2024, at approximately 6:04 a.m., Patrolman Michael DeCristofaro conducted a motor vehicle stop in the area of Lasatta Avenue for a motor vehicle violation. The driver, identified as Rachael A. Pickett, a 41-year-old, married, female resident of Monroe Township, who is employed as a senior living assistant, was found to have a warrant issued for her arrest by the Monroe Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$1,000.00. Mrs. Pickett was placed under arrest and transported to the Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where she was processed and subsequently released after posting bail.

24MN24060 – Warrant Arrest

On Friday, June 07, 2024, at approximately 12:21 a.m., Patrolman Connor Kelly conducted a motor vehicle stop on Route 33 for a motor vehicle violation. The driver, identified as Shandria Montgomery, a 28-year-old, separated, female resident of Toms River, who is employed as a nurse, was found to have a warrant issued for her arrest by the Lawrence Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$1,000.00. Mrs. Montgomery was placed under arrest and transported to the Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where she was processed and subsequently released on her own recognizance. Patrolman Connor Kelly was the arresting officer.

24MN23962 – Fraud

On Thursday, June 6, 2024, at approximately 12:24 p.m., a 45-year-old Ocean Township resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported being defrauded in the amount of \$6,000.00 as the result of a vehicle purchase. Patrolman Vincent Rubino handled the incident which is pending further investigation.

24MN23959 – Theft

On Thursday, June 6, 2024 at approximately 11:54 a.m., a 61-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters to report that approximately \$27,500.00 worth of items was stolen from an Oxford Road residence. Patrolman Vincent Rubino took the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN23872 – Theft

On Wednesday, June 5, 2024, at approximately 3:30 p.m., a 21-year-old Manalapan resident reported that a bicycle wheel, valued at approximately \$200.00, was stolen from the parking lot of the Wegmans Supermarket, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan. Patrolman Haydn Matarazzo took the report.

24MN23827 – Theft

On Wednesday, June 5, 2024, at approximately 7:10 a.m. a 52-year-old Seaside Heights resident reported that unknown actor(s) had removed a total of \$1,950.00 worth of copper and aluminum from a construction site located on Cloverleaf Lane. Patrolman Christopher Oleksy took the report, which is pending further investigation.