

**Manalapan Twp. Police Dept. Press Releases
June 26 – July 2, 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! **

24MN27286 –Theft

On Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at approximately 8:43 p.m., a 60-year-old Lancaster, Pennsylvania resident reported that an unknown actor utilized their Cashapp to transfer money out of the victim's account in the amount of \$425.00. Patrol Officer Hope Barina handled the report.

24MN27282 – Shoplifting

On Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at approximately 7:27 p.m., employees of Target Department Store, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that Dean P. Pasqua, a 33-year-old, unmarried, male resident of Colts Neck, who is employed as laborer, shoplifted items valued at \$454.93 on June 13, 2024. Mr. Pasqua was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and subsequently transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution. Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo was the arresting officer.

24MN27279 – Shoplifting

On Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at approximately 7:27 p.m., employees of Target Department Store, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that Dean P. Pasqua, a 33-year-old, unmarried, male resident of Colts Neck, who is employed as laborer, shoplifted items valued at \$1,170.00. Mr. Pasqua was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and subsequently transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution. Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo was the arresting officer.

24MN27275 – Warrant Arrest

On Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at approximately 6:50 p.m., Amelia Merino-Santiago, a 38-year-old, married, unemployed, female resident of Howell Township, was found to have a warrant issued for her arrest by the Lakewood Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$550.00. Mrs. Merino-Santiago was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where she was processed and released on her own recognizance. Patrol Officer Hope Barina was the arresting officer.

24MN27162 – Criminal Attempt (Theft)

On Monday, July 1, 2024, at approximately 5:46 p.m., employees of the Marshals Department Store, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported an unknown actor unsuccessfully attempted to steal merchandise valued at \$651.72. Patrol Officer JeanMarie Kaminski handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN27157 – Possession of Controlled Dangerous Substance / Possession of Drug Paraphernalia / Hindering Apprehension / Warrant Arrest

On Monday, July 1, 2024, at approximately 5:02 p.m., Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo conducted a motor vehicle stop on Route 9 for a motor vehicle violation. A passenger in the vehicle, identified as James Iaccarino, a 30-year-old, unmarried, male resident of Old Bridge, who is employed as an iron worker, was found to be in possession of drug paraphernalia. An additional passenger of the vehicle, identified as Lillian Brown, a 57-year-old, unmarried, unemployed, female resident of New Brunswick, was found to be in possession of a controlled dangerous substance and had multiple warrants issued for her arrest by the New Brunswick Municipal Court, in the amount of \$4,500.00, and hindered her apprehension by providing false information. Mr. Iaccarino was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and released after being issued a summons. Ms. Brown was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where she was processed and subsequently transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution. Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo was the arresting officer.

24MN27153 – Theft by Deception

On Monday, July 1, 2024, at approximately 4:30 p.m., a 26-year-old Iselin resident reported being defrauded in the amount of \$2,100.00 by an unknown actor after purchasing fake jewelry. Patrolman Thomas Butz handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN27139 – Fraud

On Monday, July 1, 2024, at approximately 2:40 p.m., a 67-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) fraudulently opened a cellular phone account utilizing their personal information. Patrolman William Dutton handled the report.

24MN27129 – Warrant Arrest

On Monday, July 1, 2024, at approximately 2:30 p.m., Patrol Officer Hope Barina responded to Mercer County Correctional Facility and took custody Trevor S. Aguiles, a 28-year-old, unmarried, unemployed, male resident of Manalapan, regarding a warrant that was issued for his arrest by the Manalapan Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$2,000.00. Mr. Aguiles was processed and subsequently transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution in lieu of bail.

24MN27094 – Criminal Mischief

On Monday, July 1, 2024, at approximately 7:56 a.m., a 35-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor threw paint on the driveway and mailbox of a Grandview Lane residence. Patrolman Jeffery Emslie handled the report.

24MN27054 – Warrant Arrest

On Sunday, June 30, 2024, at approximately 8:39 p.m., Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo conducted a motor vehicle stop on Route 9 for a motor vehicle violation. The driver, identified as Kevin A. Ruballos-Carrillo, a 23-year-old, married, self-employed, male resident of Newark, was found to have a warrant issued for his arrest by the Union Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$750.00, as well as an additional warrant issued for his by the Newark Municipal Court in the amount of \$500.00. Mr. Ruballos was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and subsequently turned over to the Newark Police Department.

24MN27005 – Harassment

On Sunday, June 30, 2024, at approximately 1:01 p.m., a 65-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported being harassed by an unknown actor. Patrolman Marshall Bitsko handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN26910 – Harassment

On Saturday, June 29, 2024, at approximately 12:05 p.m., a 28-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported receiving harassing text messages from an unknown actor. Patrolman Haydn Matarazzo handled the report.

24MN26906 – Identity Theft

On Saturday, June 29, 2024, at approximately 11:20 a.m., an 80-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that unknown actor(s) fraudulently obtained and attempted to utilize their personal information. No monetary loss was reported as a result of this incident. Patrolman Haydn Matarazzo handled the report.

24MN26802 – Shoplifting

On Friday, June 28, 2024, at approximately 2:45 p.m., employees of Home Sense, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that Amy Badler, a 47-year-old, unmarried, unemployed, female resident of Marlboro, shoplifted items valued at \$31.92. Ms. Badler was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where she was processed and released after being issued a summons. Patrolman Marshall Bitsko was the arresting officer.

24MN26790 – Fraud

On Friday, June 28, 2024, at approximately 1:28 p.m., a 25-year-old Marlboro resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported being defrauded in the amount of \$3,176.00 by an unknown actor(s) via the internet. Patrolman Marshall Bitsko handled the initial report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN26766 – Theft

On Friday, June 28, 2024, at approximately 11:03 a.m., a 37-year-old Manalapan resident reported paying a contractor \$2,000.00 for work that was never completed. Patrolman Marshall Bitsko handled the initial report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN26650 – Harassment

On Thursday, June 27, 2024, at approximately 1:39 p.m., a 63-year-old Manalapan resident reported being harassed by an unknown actor(s) via telephone. Patrolman Jeffrey Emslie handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN26579 – Fraud

On Wednesday, June 26, 2024, at approximately 10:20 p.m., a 65-year-old Manalapan resident reported being defrauded in the amount of \$9,700.00 by an unknown actor via the internet. Patrolman Abdoulaye Diagne handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN26495 – Fraud

On Wednesday, June 26, 2024, at approximately 9:13 a.m., a 58-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Department Headquarters and reported being defrauded in the amount of \$12,978.00 by an unknown actor via the internet. Patrolman Kyle Williams handled the report, which is pending further investigation.