Manalapan Twp. Police Dept. Press Releases September 25 – October 1, 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! ***

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24MN38419 - Theft

On Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at approximately 6:53 p.m., a 69-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor stole the catalytic converter from a vehicle that was parked in the driveway of a Ryan Road residence. Patrol Officer Jeanmarie Kaminski handed the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN38413 – Possession of a Controlled & Dangerous Substance

On Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at approximately 6:05 p.m., Milton Maradiagabuezo, a 20-year-old, unemployed, unmarried, male resident of Manalapan, was found to be in possession of a controlled and dangerous substance after being involved in a motor vehicle crash on Kingsley Drive. Mr. Maradiagabuezo was subsequently issued summonses for Possession of a Controlled & Dangerous substance and motor vehicle violations. Patrolman Frank Maisano was the arresting officer.

24MN38360 - Possession of a Controlled & Dangerous Substance

On Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at approximately 7:24 a.m., Jesse Ponzo, a 36-year-old, unmarried, male resident of Marlboro, who is employed as an entertainer, was found to be in possession of a controlled & dangerous substance and drug paraphernalia at 310 Route 9 in Manalapan. Mr. Ponzo was subsequently placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and released after being issued summonses. Patrolman Marshall Bitsko was the arresting officer.

24MN38331 - Warrant Arrest

On Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at approximately 12:15 a.m., Patrolman Abdoulaye Diagne took custody of Seth Dickson, a 42-year-old, male resident of Barnegat, who had been arrested by the Ocean Township (Ocean County) Police Department regarding a warrant that was issued for his arrest by the Manalapan Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$1,000.00. Mr. Dickson was transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and released after posting bail.

24MN38061 - Theft

On Saturday, September 28, 2024, at approximately 9:22 p.m., a 60-year-old Manalapan resident reported that items valued at approximately \$1,500.00 had been stolen from a Crocus Drive residence. Patrolman Matthew Schwartz took the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN37990 – Burglary

On Saturday, September 28, 2024, at approximately 4:30 a.m., a 41-year-old Manalapan resident reported that three unknown actors forced entry to a Mill Road residence and subsequently fled the area in a black vehicle. No items were reported stolen as a result of this incident. Patrolman Abdoulaye Diagne took the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN37947 - Shoplifting

On Friday, September 27, 2024, at approximately 6:34 p.m., employees of the Wegmans Supermarket, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that an unknown male actor had shoplifted \$310.41 worth of merchandise from their store without rendering payment. As a result of the investigation, Goran Trposki, a 52-year-old, divorced, unemployed, male resident of Freehold, was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and released after being issued a summons. Patrolman Jake Mann was the investigating officer.

24MN37928 – Shoplifting

On Friday, September 27, 2024, at approximately 3:09 p.m., employees of the Wegmans Supermarket, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that unknown male and female actors shoplifted \$1,050.37 worth of merchandise from their store without rendering payment. As a result of the investigation, Hulya Balabanova, a 51-year-old, unmarried, unemployed, female resident of Woodbridge and Roini Idadze, a 57-year-old, unmarried, unemployed, male resident of Woodbridge were placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where they were processed and released after being issued summonses. Patrolman Jake Mann was the investigating officer.

24MN37909 - Shoplifting

On Friday, September 27, 2024, at approximately 12:27 p.m., employees of Best Buy, located at 15 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that on Sunday, September 15, 2024, an unknown male actor had shoplifted merchandise valued at \$2,499.93 from the store without rendering payment. As a result of the investigation, James J. Damico, a 51-year-old, unmarried, unemployed, male resident of Yonkers, New York was charged with Shoplifting. Patrolman Kyle Williams was the investigating officer.

24MN37825 - Shoplifting

On Thursday, September 26, 2024, at approximately 1:47 p.m., employees of the Wegmans Supermarket, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that an unknown actor(s) shoplifted merchandise valued at approximately \$191.03. Patrolman Christopher Kinnie handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

24MN37791 – Identity Theft

On Thursday, September 26, 2024, at 10:20 a.m. a 79-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor opened a credit card in the victim's name and made \$4,657.12 in fraudulent purchases. Patrolman Jeff Emslie took the report.

24MN37710 – Harassment

On Wednesday, September 25, 2024, at approximately 3:09 p.m., a 24-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported being harassed by an unknown actor. Patrolman Haydn Matarazzo took the report.