

Manalapan Twp. Police Dept. Press Releases
February 19, 2025 – February 25, 2025
Residents are reminded to remove any valuables from unoccupied
vehicles and remember to lock your vehicle's doors.
*****DO NOT LEAVE KEYS IN VEHICLES! *****

25MN06869 – Fraud

On Tuesday, February 25th, 2025, at approximately 5:30 p.m., a 78-year-old Manalapan Township resident reported a fraudulent incident. The resident advised that unknown actor(s) opened up a home equity account under the victim's name. Patrolman Christopher Schou handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

25MN06868 – Simple Assault

On Tuesday, February 25th, 2025, at approximately 5:54 p.m., a 31-year-old Brick resident reported being assaulted while performing their duties as a care taker. Patrolman Mantas Stanionis handled the report.

25MN06756- Warrant Arrest

On Monday, February 24th, 2025, at approximately 9:42 p.m., while on patrol, Patrolman Matthew Jastrzembki observed a subject on Lamb Lane. Upon making contact with the subject, it was found he had an active warrant out of the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office. Christopher Tyler, a 65-year-old, single, unemployed, male resident of Manalapan Township was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters for processing. Mr. Tyler was subsequently transported to Monmouth County Correctional Institution. Patrolman Matthew Jastrzembki was the arresting officer.

25MN06704 – Fraud

On Monday, February 24th, 2025, at approximately 12:46 p.m., a 64-year-old Manalapan resident reported a fraud that occurred involving their bank account. Patrolman Christopher Oleksy handled the report.

25MN06636 – Driving While Intoxicated

On Sunday, February 23rd, 2025 at approximately 9:23 p.m., Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo conducted a motor vehicle stop in the area of Franklin Lane for motor vehicle violations. The driver of the vehicle identified as 33-year-old single, male resident of Helmetta, Jason A. Bernardinello, who is employed as a construction worker, was placed under arrest for operating a motor vehicle under the influence of intoxicating liquor and/or drugs. Mr. Bernardinello was transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and released on a summons. Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo was the arresting officer.

25MN06603- Harassment

On Sunday, February 23rd, 2025 at approximately 5:13 p.m., a 63-year-old Manalapan resident reported that they were being harassed by a neighbor. The victim was advised of the procedure to sign complaints. Patrolman Abdoulaye Diagne handled the report.

25MN06581 – Simple Assault

On Sunday, February 23rd, 2025 at approximately 3:33 p.m., Officer Matthew Jastrzembki responded to police headquarters in reference to a simple assault incident. The victim, a 36-year-old Maryland resident, reported that on Saturday, February 22nd, 2025 at approximately 9:00 p.m. they were assaulted at a recreational facility in Manalapan Township. Patrolman Matthew Jastrzembki handled the report.

25MN06464 – Theft of Vehicle

On Saturday, February 22nd, 2025 at approximately 1:48 p.m., patrols responded to police headquarters in reference to a theft of a vehicle. Upon arrival, the victim was identified as a 61-year-old Manalapan resident. It was determined that the victim had purchased a vehicle for \$6,800.00 and that it was never delivered to their residence. Patrol Officer Hope Barina handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

25MN06460 – Fraud

On Saturday, February 22nd, 2025, at approximately 1:05 p.m., a Wawa location located on Union Hill Road advised that a possible credit card skimmer was located on an ATM inside the store. Patrolman Jake Mann handled the report, which is pending further investigation. Anyone who may have been a victim of fraud from this location or has any further information is asked to contact Detective Matthew Meyler at (732) 446-8387.

25MN06442 – Criminal Mischief

On Saturday, February 22nd, 2025, at approximately 9:46 a.m., a 45-year-old Manalapan resident reported that their mailbox was knocked off the post by two unidentifiable suspects the night prior. The total value of the damaged property is approximately \$100.00. Patrolman Brandon Yeung handled the report.

25MN06356 – Identity Fraud

On Friday, February 21st, 2025, at approximately 2:06 p.m., a 34-year-old Manalapan Township resident responded to police headquarters to report a fraud. The victim advised they gave away personal information to an unknown actor(s) impersonating Geico Insurance. Patrolman Brandon Yeung handled the initial report.

25MN06269 – Driving While Intoxicated

On Thursday, February 20th, 2025 at approximately 10:05 p.m., Patrolman Hunter Mauro conducted a motor vehicle stop on Route 9 south for motor vehicle violations. The driver of the vehicle, identified as Michael Arena, a 50-year-old Freehold resident, married, and employed as a Union worker, was placed under arrest for driving while intoxicated. Mr. Arena was placed under arrest and subsequently transported back to Manalapan headquarters where he was processed and released after being issued summonses. Patrolman Hunter Mauro was the arresting officer.

25MN06258 – Fraud

On Thursday, February 20th, 2025, at approximately 7:20 p.m., a 28-year-old Manalapan Township resident advised that they received notice from E-Z Pass that an unknown vehicle fraudulently utilized the victim's New Jersey registration to pass through two E-Z Pass locations. Patrolman Jake Mann handled the initial report.

25MN06250 – Fraud

On Thursday, February 20th, 2025, at approximately 5:30 p.m., a 24-year-old Manalapan Township resident responded to police headquarters to report fraud. The resident advised that unknown actor(s) opened up a credit card under their name. Patrolman Michael DeCristofaro handled the report.

25MN06174- Theft of property

On Thursday, February 20th, 2025 at approximately 9:24 a.m., an 81-year-old Manalapan resident reported several items of jewelry as missing. The initial report was handled by Patrolman Peter Pagano, which is pending further investigation.

25MN06093 – Fraud

On Wednesday, February 19th, 2025 at approximately 5:43 p.m., a 45-year-old Manalapan Township resident responded to police headquarters to report a fraud. The victim's address along with their spouse's business were utilized by an unknown actor(s) to open a checking account with a bank. Patrolman Matthew Schwartz handled the initial report.

25MN06085 – Warrant Arrest

On Wednesday, February 19th, 2025, at approximately 5:30 p.m., Patrolman Donovan Turner and Patrolman Kyle Williams responded to Neptune Police Department and took custody of Jaden Manuel Seclow, a 20-year-old, unmarried, unemployed, male resident of Neptune, New Jersey, who was arrested on an active warrant issued by the Manalapan Township Municipal Court with no bail. Mr. Seclow was subsequently transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution after being processed at Manalapan Township Police Department Headquarters. Patrolman Donovan Turner was the arresting officer.

25MN06082- Theft of Property

On Wednesday February 19th, 2025, at approximately 4:25 p.m., a 61-year-old Manalapan Township resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Department and reported that unknown actor(s) had altered a check that was issued to them and cashed it in the amount of \$3,515.00. Patrolman Donovan Turner handled the initial report.

25MN06081- Theft of Property

On Wednesday February 19th, 2025, at approximately 4:31 p.m., a 20-year-old, Manalapan Township resident reported that unknown actor(s) took a package from in front of the residence valued at \$1,480.60. Patrol Officer JeanMarie Kaminski handled the initial report.

25MN06071- Theft of Property

On Wednesday February 19th, 2025, at approximately 2:31 p.m., an 85-year-old, Freehold Township resident, reported that unknown actor(s) entered their parked, unoccupied vehicle, which was parked in the Home Sense parking lot. The unknown actor(s) removed approximately 6-7 shirts valued at approximately \$100.00. Patrolman Michael DeCristofaro handled the report.

25MN06070 – Theft of Property/ Warrant Arrest

On Wednesday, February 19th, 2025 at approximately 2:04 p.m., Patrolman Matthew Jastrzembski and Patrolman James Guarino responded to Net Cost for a report of a theft. The victim reported several personal items and \$150.00 in cash taken. Investigation revealed that an employee, identified as Antoine Patterson, unlawfully removed the items. Mr. Patterson, a 45-year-old, separated, male resident of Long Branch, employed by Net Cost was placed under arrest for theft. Mr. Patterson was also found to have an active warrant for his arrest issued out of the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office. Antoine was subsequently transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution after being processed at Manalapan Township Police Headquarters. Patrolman Matthew Jastrzembski was the arresting officer.

25MN06032 – Burglary

On Wednesday, February 19th, 2025 at approximately 9:14 a.m., A 35-year-old Manalapan resident reported that their vehicle had been unlawfully entered by an unknown male on Willow Grove Way. Further investigation revealed additional victims and surveillance video of the suspect, who was later observed by patrols nearby. The investigation led to Daniel R. Malave, a 37-year-old, unmarried, unemployed male resident of Marlboro being placed under arrest. Upon his arrest, Mr. Malave was also found to be in possession of a controlled dangerous substance and paraphernalia. Mr. Malave was processed and subsequently transported to Monmouth County Correctional Institution. Patrolman Brandon Yeung was the arresting officer.