

WEEKLY REPORT

10/25-10/31/09

A month long identity theft investigation has resulted in the arrest of Arthur James IV, age 34, of the first block of Battle Drive, Newark, DE 19702. The investigation revealed that Arthur James IV used his grandfather's identity to fraudulently obtain two credit cards. Arthur James IV then used the credit cards at stores throughout New Castle County and Maryland, racking up an \$8,262.28 bill. A search warrant was executed at the residence of Arthur James IV on Battle Drive. During the search, all of the items purchased with the credit cards, including a flat screen TV and a computer, were recovered.

On Sunday, October 25th, at approximately 0645 hours, the Newark Police Department responded to a report of a commercial burglary at the Tobacco Zone located at 1023 South College Avenue. The incident occurred sometime between the hours of midnight and 0645 on that date. When officers arrived on the scene they noticed the front doors to the business were damaged. Once in the store, it was discovered that \$6,000 worth of Newport cigarettes and Newport 100's were stolen. Surveillance video provided a description of the suspect as wearing a dark (possibly blue) hooded sweatshirt, dark jeans, white sneakers, 20-30 years of age, and 5'10"-6'00".

On Friday, October 30th, at approximately 0531 hours the Newark Police Department responded to a burglary alarm at Fairfield News located in the Fairfield Shopping Center on New London Road. Responding officers found that the front door to the business had been damaged; however, no entry was made into the store. Surveillance video provided a suspect description similar to the previous suspect: a dark, hooded sweatshirt, white t-shirt underneath, dark jeans, brown boots, and age and height approximately the same. In addition, the suspect was operating a dark colored, 4-door (possibly Dodge) vehicle bearing a Delaware license plate.

On Saturday, October 31st, the University of Delaware held its annual homecoming celebration. A significant number of Newark Police Department officers were on duty to minimize and address drunk and disorderly behavior normally associated with the event. In addition to policing the city, NPD officers, in conjunction with the University of Delaware Police Department, Delaware State Police, and New Castle County Police, worked to clear the University of Delaware's Athletic Complex of several thousand subjects after the football game started. No major incidents occurred during the event.

Due to the recent street robberies, the Newark Police Department is extending the crime suppression deployment through November. As a part of the effort to impact the issue, University of Delaware Police Department officers and the Newark Police Department Street Crimes unit worked together conducting plain clothes surveillance this past weekend.

Due to the recent promotions, personnel transfers were completed on Monday, October 26th. The Street Crimes and Drug units were re-organized, and Lt. Hargrove assumed command of the Patrol Division. The Traffic Enforcement unit was temporarily reduced to one officer as the other officers were transferred to patrol shifts to keep them at full strength.

As the first week of recruit training drew to a close, one of our recruits withdrew from the academy and resigned. The remaining five recruits are adjusting to academy life and according to academy staff, had a good first week.



**Newark Police Department
Weekly Traffic Report
10/25/09 – 10/31/09**



TRAFFIC SUMMONSES	2008 YTD	2009 YTD	THIS WEEK 2008	THIS WEEK 2009
Moving	5992	5667	51	45
Non-Moving	4210	3419	41	58
TOTAL	10202	9086	92	103

*Fall initiative/personnel transfers

PARKING SUMMONSES				
Meter Tickets	15071	17576	609	505
Parking Summons/IPR	6625	5386	197	238
Scofflaw Amount Collected	253 = \$47,703	194 = \$35,275	12 = \$2,355	1 = \$160
TOTAL	21949	23156	818	744*

*1 Full-Time PEO OJI, 1 Full-Time PEO OJI

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS				
Fatal	0	0	0	0
Personal Injury	226	199	8	5
Property Damage (Reportable)	289	323	8	9
Property Damage (Non-Reportable)	587	472	11	14
	1102	994	27	28

Hit and Run	162	164	4	5
DUI	196	284	0	4



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INVESTIGATIONS

CRIMINAL CHARGES

	2008 TO <u>DATE</u>	2009 TO <u>DATE</u>	THIS WEEK <u>2009</u>	2008 TO <u>DATE</u>	2009 TO <u>DATE</u>	THIS WEEK <u>2009</u>
<u>PART I OFFENSES</u>						
a)Murder/Manslaughter	1	1	0	0	1	0
b)Attempt	0	0	0	1	0	0
Kidnap	0	0	0	6	2	0
Rape	8	7	0	1	5	0
Unlaw. Sexual Contact	11	3	0	6	3	0
Robbery	37	33	0	120	46	0
Assault/Aggravated	37	25	0	55	34	0
Burglary	159	118	7	94	118	2
Theft	864	761	15	284	280	4
Theft/Auto	96	53	0	13	22	4
Arson	7	7	1	3	4	0
All Other	84	66	0	156	169	0
TOTAL PART I	1304	1074	23	739	684	10
<u>PART II OFFENSES</u>						
Other Assaults	371	295	9	254	226	9
Rec. Stolen Property	1	0	0	31	13	0
Criminal Michief	443	365	9	109	303	0
Weapons	17	10	0	81	50	0
Other Sex Offenses	8	4	0	16	15	0
Alcohol	319	271	23	751	570	32
Drugs	132	99	4	343	244	8
Noise/Disorderly Premise	619	527	15	247	270	5
Disorderly Conduct	805	589	13	286	134	7
Trespass	128	93	0	89	53	0
All Other	461	371	6	246	180	7
TOTAL PART II	3304	2624	79	2453	2058	68
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>						
Alarm	1086	889	22	0	0	0
Animal Control	498	515	14	10	21	0
Recovered Property	232	174	7	0	0	0
Service	7914	11556	312	0	0	0
Suspicious Per/Veh	748	551	11	0	0	0
TOTAL MISC.	10478	13685	366	10	21	0

	THIS WEEK <u>2008</u>	2008 TO <u>DATE</u>	THIS WEEK <u>2009</u>	2009 TO <u>DATE</u>
TOTAL CALLS	527	21893	621	24206