



NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

Paul M. Tiernan, Chief of Police

PRESS RELEASE

September 16, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SUBJECT: Arrest Made in Pepper Spray Robbery

The Newark Police Department has identified one of the suspects responsible for the street robbery that occurred on Chapel Street in late August. An arrest warrant has been obtained charging Brandi Knight with two counts of Robbery 1st Degree and 2 counts of Assault 2nd Degree. Knight was identified with the assistance of an officer from the Anne Arundel County (MD) Police Department, who saw the surveillance image captured at the Wawa and distributed by the Newark Police.

The defendant:

Brandi R. Knight	9/7/89 (21 years)	7892 Tall Pines Court, Glen Burnie, MD
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Knight is currently in custody in Maryland and is being held awaiting her extradition to Delaware to face these charges.

The second person pictured in the surveillance photos has also been identified, and the investigation into her involvement in the robbery is continuing.

Information related to this incident can be reported to Det. Fred Nelson at 302-366-7110 ext 136 or Frederick.Nelson@cj.state.de.us. Information can also be anonymously reported to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, where a reward may be available.

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The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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PRESS RELEASE

September 2, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SUBJECT: Video and Photos of Robbery Suspects

The attached images show the two unidentified females believed to be the suspects in the pepper spray robbery that occurred on North Chapel Street on Saturday August 28. The images are from video surveillance cameras at the Wawa located at 1741 Elkton Rd, Elkton, MD, where the females used one of the victim's credit cards shortly after the robbery.

Any information about the identity of the pictured suspects should be reported to Det. Fred Nelson at 302-366-7110 ext 136 or Frederick.Nelson@cj.state.de.us. Information can also be anonymously reported to Crime Stoppers where a reward may be available.

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August 30, 2010

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SUBJECT: Pepper Spray Street Robbery

A street robbery occurred on North Chapel Street, just off of East Main Street, at 1:30 a.m. on Saturday August 28. The two female victims were walking on N. Chapel St. when two other females approached them from behind. The victims were sprayed in the face with pepper spray, and one was tackled to the ground. Both victims then had their purses taken by the suspects.

The suspects were last seen entering red or maroon car that was driven away from the area northbound on N. Chapel St. At the time of this release, a more detailed description of the suspects is not available.

Both victims are 21 years old. One of the victims suffered a scraped knee that did not require medical attention. The other was not injured.

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