



NEWS RELEASE

Paul M. Tiernan, Chief of Police

November 7th, 2012

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SUBJECT: Wilmington Man Arrested for Burglary and Peeping

Newark Police have arrested 39 year old Sean Maas of Wilmington following an early morning burglary and peeping tom incident on November 7th, 2012 in the unit block of Choate Street in the City of Newark.

At approximately 1:30am NPD officers responded to a home in the unit block of Choate Street after a passerby observed a male subject crouching near a first floor window of the home. Multiple officers converged on the area and located a subject matching the description provided by the caller walking in the City of Newark Parking Lot #4 adjacent to Choate Street. As the officers approached the male, later identified as Sean Maas, they observed that he was in possession of women's lingerie hanging from his waistband. As an officer attempted to take Maas into custody for questioning he fled on foot.

The officer pursued Maas on foot and deployed his Taser device after Maas refused to stop. Maas was struck in the back by the Taser prongs causing him to fall to the asphalt. Maas was then taken into custody without further incident. Maas sustained abrasions to his face and a broken tooth as a result of the fall and was transported to Christiana Hospital where he was treated for his injuries before being released back to police custody.

An investigation determined that Maas had gained entry into the Choate Street home where he was first observed through an unsecured first floor window. Once inside Maas removed women's clothing and lingerie from an unoccupied bedroom of a 21year old female University of Delaware Student.

Maas was arrested on the below charges and released on \$8,000 unsecured bail.

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Defendant: Sean Maas (DOB: 03/08/73)
2 Chestnut Street
Wilmington, DE 19810

Charges: 1 Ct. Burglary 2nd
1 Ct. Theft under \$1500
1 Ct. Trespass with Intent to Peep or Peer
1 Ct. Resisting Arrest

Anyone with additional information about this incident should contact Det. James Skinner at 302-366-7110 ext. 135 or james.skinner@cj.state.de.us. You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.tipsubmit.com where a reward may be available.

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