



# NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

# PRESS RELEASE

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**SUBJECT: Arrest for Assault with a Knife**

On Saturday November 1, 2008 Shawn Morris was charged with the listed offenses after he cut two victims with a knife after an altercation at a party. Morris was attending a party at a house in the first block of North Chapel Street in Newark. Around 2:15 a.m., a fight broke out and Morris stabbed a resident of the house in the thigh with a folding knife. Morris was removed from the house, but then broke a rear glass window while outside. Residents and other guests went outside to confront Morris and chased him when he fled. When Morris was caught by one of the pursuers, he cut the second victim along the right jaw, then ran away. Morris was captured on Main Street within minutes by a responding officer. The knife was found in an alley on N. Chapel St.

The first victim, a 21 year-old male, received a minor injury and did not require medical attention. The second victim, a 22 year-old male from Bear, DE, was transported to Christiana Hospital, where he underwent emergency surgery due to a wound to his carotid artery. He was last known to be in stable condition following the surgery.

Morris was committed to the Young Correctional Facility after failing to post bond in the amount of \$13,000.

**Defendant:**

NAME	ADDRESS	DATE OF BIRTH	CHARGES
Shawn M. Morris	184 Bonnybrook Road, Middletown, DE	December 8, 1979 (28 years of age)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Assault 1<sup>st</sup> Degree,</li><li>▪ Assault 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree,</li><li>▪ Possession of a Deadly Weapon During the Commission of a Felony,</li><li>▪ Criminal Mischief.</li></ul>

Information about this incident can be reported to Det. D'Elia at 302-366-7110 ext 132 or anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333.

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