

Police Blotter

June 1, 2024:

- At 9:42pm, Ralph Runyon III (47 years old of Readington Township) was lodged in the Warren County Jail after being arrested for a criminal contempt warrant.

June 3, 2024:

- At 12:30am, John Domici (78 years old of Readington Township) was lodged in Somerset County Jail after being arrested on a criminal contempt warrant.
- At 7:13am, Officers responded to Our Lady of Lourdes Church for a theft complaint. Officers learned that the reporting party had their EZ Pass transponder stolen from their vehicle.
- At 11:03am, a resident of West Woodschurch Road reported a suspicious person walking around their property with a flashlight at 2:30am. The suspicious person was seen a second time by another resident and ran off when confronted.

June 4, 2024:

- At 7:02am, a resident of Potterstown Road reported her 2013 BMW sedan stolen. The vehicle had the key fob left inside and was stolen during the overnight hours.

June 6, 2024:

- Duane Oakley (Jersey City, NJ) and Dominique Howell (Trenton, NJ) were charged with theft after utilizing a stolen EZ Pass transponder 25 times during the months of March & April of this year.

June 7, 2024:

- At 10:22am, a resident of Sunnyfield Drive arrived at police headquarters and reported a theft of their outgoing mail.

June 9, 2024:

- At 1:43am, Richard Herrera-Galindo (35 years old of Garwood NJ) was arrested for simple assault following an incident on School Road. Mr. Herrera-Galindo was released on a summons.
- At 11:09am, a resident of Pleasant Run Road reported a theft of their outgoing mail.

June 10, 2024

- At 9:58 am, a Readington Township resident arrived at headquarters and reported being a victim of fraud. The victim reported a loss greater than \$22,000.
- At 11:38 am, Officers were dispatched to a business on Route 22 for a trespassing complaint. Officers learned that a terminated employee was refusing to leave the property, prompting the call to the police. The terminated employee left before the arrival of patrol and was formally trespassed from the business.

June 14, 2024

- At 6:27 pm, Kenneth Smith III (31 years old of Succasunna NJ) was arrested for driving while intoxicated after Officers responded to Mountain View Road for a suspicious vehicle report.

June 17, 2024

- At 12:49 am, Trevor Murphy (32 years old of Bridgewater NJ) was arrested on an outstanding traffic warrant. Murphy was transferred to Branchburg Police Department in default of bail.

June 18, 2024

- At 9:27 am, a resident of the Whitehouse Motel reported being defrauded of \$1,000 due to being scammed by an unknown caller.
- At 10:38 am, Officers responded to a residence on Main Street (Whitehouse Station) for a property damage report. Officers learned that a vehicle had been damaged while parked in the driveway, and that the keys (which were left inside the vehicle) had been stolen.

June 19, 2024

- At 8:47 pm, a resident of Caspar Berger Road reported the theft of a trailer. The theft likely occurred between the dates of June 14 and June 19.

June 20, 2024

- At 3:37 pm, Officers responded to Sunny Nails & Spa for a trespassing complaint. Upon arriving, Officers contacted an intoxicated person that was bothering customers and staff. The person was trespassed from the business and transported to an area motel.
- At 10:55 pm, Officers responded to a residence on Mountain Road for a structure fire. Upon arrival Officers observed a fully engulfed detached garage. The fire was extinguished after a joint effort from the Readington, Whitehouse, and Lebanon Fire Departments, as well as the Whitehouse Rescue Squad. The fire remains under investigation; however, it does not appear to be suspicious at this time.

June 22, 2024

- At 10:00 pm, Officers responded to Roosevelt Road for a water rescue. Officers found that an adult and four juvenile passengers were trapped in their vehicle. All five occupants of the vehicle were safely rescued after a coordinated effort from the Whitehouse Rescue Squad, the Readington Fire Department, the Country Hills Volunteer Fire Company, and the North Branch Volunteer Fire Company.

June 23, 2024

- At 9:47 pm, Officers arrested Julia Annitto (age 46 of Lyndhurst NJ) for assault following an incident on Kline Boulevard.

June 24, 2024

- At 7:47 am, a resident of Powderhorn Road reported a mail theft. The victim became aware of the mail theft after their banking institution alerted them to a potential fraudulent transaction. The victim sustained a \$979.00 loss.

June 29, 2024

- At 11:44 am, Officers cited Miguel Cruz (age 46 of Clinton Township NJ) for defiant trespass after loitering at a business on State Route 22 from which he'd previously been banned from.
- At 4:27 pm, Officers arrested Terrence Rollins (age 34 of Readington Township NJ) for multiple criminal warrants. Rollins was later lodged in the Warren County Jail.
- At 10:28 pm, Officers responded to a business on State Route 202 for a shoplifting complaint. Officers learned that the theft occurred on June 28 by a male and female (identities unknown). The thieves stole at least \$205.59 worth of laundry detergent.

July 2, 2024

- At 3:24 am, Officers responded to the Roxbury Township Police Department and took custody of Jazzmel Johnson (age 39 of Bronx, NY) on an outstanding criminal warrant. Mr. Johnson was transferred to the Warren County jail in default of bail.

July 5, 2024

- At 12:45 am, Officers arrested Ibn Johnson (age 26 of Newark, NJ) on outstanding traffic and criminal warrants. Mr. Johnson was transferred to the Somerset County Jail in default of bail.

July 7, 2024

- At 3:07 pm, a resident of Glenmont Road responded to police headquarters to report being a victim of fraud. The victim reportedly was tricked by an authentic appearing email from McAfee anti-virus. The victim divulged personal information during the exchange, as well as sustained a monetary loss of \$10,500.

July 9, 2024

- At 9:51 am, a resident of South Ryland Road reported being the victim of fraud. The victim reported that they followed instructions on how to invest in cryptocurrency, however the brokers of these transactions were fraudulent. The victim sustained multiple losses, totaling over \$80,000.

July 11, 2024

- Readington PD Detectives charged Thomas Merbedone (age 38 of Bridgewater NJ) with burglary following a fingerprint hit from a residential burglary that was reported in April of this year. Merbedone was served with his charges while incarcerated in NJ state prison on unrelated crimes.

July 13, 2024

- At 5:44 am, Officers responded to Cedar Road for a vehicle burglary. The homeowner reported two suspects wearing black masks, gloves & hats pull on the door handles of his vehicles in his driveway. The suspects entered an unlocked vehicle but did not take anything. The suspects fled the area prior to the Officers' arrival.

July 14, 2024

- At 3:03 am, Officers arrested Yordi Mazariegos (age 23 of Plainfield NJ) for driving while intoxicated following a traffic stop on State Highway 202. The defendant was additionally charged with related traffic offenses and released to the care of a family member.

July 15, 2024

- At 9:49 am, Officers arrested Christopher Browne at the Raritan Borough Police Department who was in custody on two Readington criminal warrants. Mr. Browne was later lodged in the Warren County Jail.
- At 12:00 pm, Officers responded to an ATV accident on the NJ Transit railroad tracks. Officers arrived and found Andrew Fultz (age 54 of Readington NJ) pinned between the ATV and a tree. Mr. Fultz was taken to a nearby hospital for treatment and was later charged with DWI, defiant trespass, and related traffic offenses.

- At 2:49 pm, Officers responded to Station Center Mall (547 US 22 East) for a trespassing complaint. Upon arrival, Officers located Miguel Cruz (age 46 of Clinton Township NJ) and cited him for defiant trespass.

July 19, 2024

- At 10:27 pm, Officers arrested Jose Muralles Perdomo (age 30 of Flemington, NJ) for driving while intoxicated.

July 21, 2024

- At 9:54 am, Officers responded to the 900 block of State Highway 202 for a reported theft. The victim reported that a 2013 Simplicity zero turn lawn mower was stolen while displayed for sale along the highway. The mower is valued at about \$2,000. The theft is being investigated by the RTPD Detective Squad.
- At 1:36 pm, Officers responded to business along State Route 22 for a trespassing complaint. Security advised the responding officers that 4 individuals accessed a private building and caused damage inside that building. The suspects were only described as younger, approximately 17-20 years old. This investigation was referred to the RTPD Detective Squad.

July 22, 2024

- At 9:20 am, Officers arrested Donna Whitehead (age 59 of Kingwood, NJ) and charged her with harassment and contempt. Ms. Whitehead was later lodged in the Warren County Jail.

July 23, 2024

- At 10:30 am, Officers received a report from a Township resident regarding fraudulent activity on their eBay account. The victim sustained a \$86.00 loss.

July 25, 2024

- At 6:20 am, Officers responded to a residence on Thor Solberg Road for a theft report. The victim reported a landscaping trailer, and a Stihl demolition saw were stolen from him. The victim sustained a \$3,100.00 loss. The RTPD Detective Squad is investigating.
- At 10:59 am, a Township resident arrived at police headquarters to report a theft. The victim reported two fraudulent banking transactions totaling a \$9,000.00 loss.

July 26, 2024

- At 12:40 am, Officers responded to a business along State Route 22 for a trespassing complaint. Officers arrested Andrew Grygo, Finneas Doyle and Hayden Connors (all

aged 18 of Moorestown NJ) and charged them with criminal trespass. All three defendants were released on a summons complaint.

July 28, 2024

- At 4:38 pm, Officers responded to a residence on Old Highway 28 for a theft report. Officers learned that a Glock pistol had been stolen from a residence; the RTPD Detective Squad is investigating further.

July 29, 2024

- At 10:16 am, Officers arrested Sammy Rum (age 61 of Whitehouse Station NJ) and charged him with contempt (of a judicial order), obstruction of justice, and harassment. The charges stemmed from a complaint reported on 7/28/2024. Mr. Rum was later lodged in the Warren County Jail.
- At 7:24 pm, Officers arrested Albert French (age 37 of Whitehouse Station NJ) following an incident at an area motel. Mr. French was charged with obstruction of justice and resisting arrest. Mr. French transported to an area hospital for medical treatment and released on a summons complaint.

July 30, 2024

- At 3:11 am, Officers responded to a mobile home park along State Route 22 for a criminal mischief complaint. Officers arrested Liem Hoang (age 34 of Whitehouse Station) and charged him with criminal mischief. Mr. Hoang was released on a summons complaint.

July 31, 2024

- At 11:15 am, a resident of Nelson Street arrived at police headquarters to file a criminal mischief complaint. The victim reported her vehicle had been “egged” while parked in front of the 500 block of Nelson Street. The suspect(s) remain at large.
- At 6:06 pm, Officers responded to a residence on Ebersohl Circle for a medical call. Upon arriving, Officers found an elderly resident unconscious and bleeding from the head after suffering a fall. The patient was airlifted to a trauma center for further treatment. Whitehouse Fire Department, Whitehouse Rescue Squad, and the New Jersey State Police aviation unit assisted.

August 1, 2024

- At 3:55 pm, Officers responded to a residence in the 1000 block of County Route 523 for a narcotics overdose. Officers arrived and administered two does of Naloxone, successfully reviving the overdosing individual. The patient was transported to an area hospital for further treatment.

August 2, 2024

- At 2:20 pm, Officers arrested Miguel Cruz (age 47 of Clinton Township NJ) on an outstanding criminal warrant. Mr. Cruz was later lodged in the Warren County Jail.

August 4, 2024

- At 9:56 am, Officers responded to Dreahook Road for a suspicious person report. Officers canvassed the area and received a second report of this suspicious person, now on Readington Road. Officers contacted Larry Barcus (age 38 of Whitehouse Station NJ) and subsequently arrested him on an outstanding criminal warrant. Mr. Barcus was later released on his own recognizance.

August 5, 2024

- At 5:24 pm, Officers responded to a residence on Johnson Road for a package theft. Officers learned that an unknown male stole a package off the front porch shortly after being delivered by a courier service. The victim sustained a \$2,000.00 loss as a result of the theft. RTPD Detectives are investigating.

August 6, 2024

- At 1:20 am, Officers arrested Alexander Munchak (age 32 of Chalfont PA) after an incident on State Highway 202. Mr. Munchak was transported to an area hospital for treatment and was charged with obstruction of justice. Mr. Munchak was released on a summons complaint.

August 7, 2024

- At 1:39 pm, Officers responded to a business in the Whitehouse Mall for a theft report. Officers learned that three suspects were successful in performing a “quick change” scam to an employee. The suspects were described as three Hispanic females aged from 20’s to 40’s. The suspects made off with \$120 in US currency.

August 8, 2024

- At 12:09 pm, Officers responded to a residence on Robin Way for a fraud report. The victim reported that they received an email from someone purporting to be from PayPal and were told that an unauthorized purchase had been made on their account. The victim followed instructions in the email and contacted someone they believed to be a law enforcement officer. The victim was instructed to purchase gift cards for Macys, Nordstrom and Sephora, a request which was fulfilled. The victim provided the gift card numbers electronically and sustained a \$3,500 loss.

August 13, 2024

- At 10:22 pm, Officers arrested Andrew Vernon (age 32 of Readington NJ) on an outstanding criminal warrant from Hunterdon County Superior Court. Mr. Vernon was later lodged in the Warren County Jail.
- At 10:39 pm, Officers responded to Bound Brook Police Department and took custody of Christian Reyes Gonzales (age 24 of Fords NJ) on an outstanding criminal warrant from Readington Township Municipal Court. Mr. Gonzales was later lodged in the Warren County Jail.

August 16, 2024

- At 8:08 am, Officers responded to a business along State Route 22 for a burglary. Officers arrived and discovered a smashed front door to the business. Inside the business, several display cases were broken and the business owner reported the theft of purses, jewelry, a cash register and an iPad. The estimated loss was determined to be between \$10,000 to \$15,000. RTPD Detective Squad is investigating.

August 18, 2024

- At 9:51 pm, Officers responded to a residence in the 700 Block of Flemington Whitehouse Road for an assault. Upon arriving, Officers arrested Keilor Josue Jimenez Solano (age 29 of Whitehouse Station NJ) and charged him with simple assault. Mr. Jimenez Solano was released on a summons complaint.

August 19, 2024

- At 9:15 pm, Officers responded to a hit and run of a pedestrian on State Route 22. The striking vehicle fled the scene, and the victim was unable to provide any identifying information about it. The victim was transported to an area hospital for treatment.

August 21, 2024

- At 9:13 am, Officers arrested Ihor Marchuk (age 27 of Brooklyn NY) on multiple traffic warrants. Mr. Marchuk was placed under arrest and later released after posting bail.

August 22, 2024

- At 3:15 pm, Officers arrested Heather Berry (age 52 of Hampton NJ) on an outstanding traffic warrant from Readington Township. Ms. Berry was later lodged in the Warren County Jail in default of bail.

August 26, 2024

- Officers charged Moustapha Diawara (age 19 of Bronx NY) with theft and forgery stemming from check theft case reported on May 8th, 2024.

- Officers charged Messiah Robinson (age 19 of Reading PA) with theft and forgery stemming from a check theft case reported on May 13th, 2024.
- At 6:19 pm, Officers responded to a residence on Lazy Brook Road for a suspicious person. The reporting party stated that an unknown male walked past a side window of their home and continued into their backyard. The male was described as short & wearing a faded navy-blue hooded sweatshirt. Officers checked the area and we're unable to locate the person.

August 27, 2024

- At 3:19 pm, Officers responded to a fight at a local motel. Officers arrested Anthony Hixson (age 64 of Whitehouse Station NJ) and charged him with simple assault, and unlawful possession of a weapon (walking stick). Hixson was released from custody on a summons complaint.

August 29, 2024

- RTPD Detectives charged Julia Ann Twitty (age 72 of Shelby NC) with 3rd degree theft and 3rd degree forgery after following up with a check theft that occurred on May 7th of this year. Twitty was charged on a summons complaint.
- At 2:38 pm, Officers arrested Shaun Roberts (age 46 of Whitehouse Station NJ) on outstanding warrants from Long Branch NJ. Roberts was lodged in the Warren County Jail in default of bail.

August 31, 2024

- At 3:11 pm, Officers responded to State Route 202 south to check for a vehicle operating while missing a wheel. The responding officers located the vehicle and subsequently arrested the driver (William Buttner age 61 of Marlboro NY). Buttner was charged with DWI, reckless driving, and operating an unsafe vehicle. Buttner was released to a relative.

September 1, 2024

- At 10:04 am, Officers arrested Christopher Fidecaro on an outstanding criminal warrant from Middlesex County NJ. Fidecaro was later lodged in the Middlesex County Jail.

September 4, 2024

- At 9:35 am, Officers arrested Liem Hoang (age 34 of Whitehouse Station NJ) on an outstanding criminal warrant. Hoang was later lodged in the Warren County Jail.

September 5, 2024

- At 2:16 pm, Officers responded to a residence on County Line Road for a suspicious person. The homeowner stated that a male parked in a business across from their residence, walked to their home, and knocked on the front door. The male opened the door but did not go inside. Once the door opened, the residential alarm began to sound, causing the male to run away from the scene. The male is described as Hispanic, 5'3"-5'8" in height, 30-40 years of age, and wearing black athletic pants with a white stripe. The suspect was utilizing his cell phone the entire time and was seen operating a red Ford Escape SUV.

September 6, 2024

- At 2:20 pm, Officers responded to a business along State Highway 22 for a person refusing to leave the establishment. Officers made contact with, and later arrested, Khyree Lewis (age 32 of Drexel Hill PA) and arrested him on an outstanding criminal warrant. Mr. Lewis was later released on his own recognizance.
- At 10:28 pm, Officers arrested Amber Jones (age 31 of Somerville NJ) and charged her with DWI following a traffic stop on State Highway 22. Ms. Jones was additionally charged with the following offenses: failure to observe a traffic control device, reckless driving, careless driving, refusal to submit to breath testing.

September 9, 2024

- At 10:56 am, Officers responded to the Raritan Borough Police Department to take custody of Trevor Murphy, who was wanted on a traffic warrant. Mr. Murphy was later lodged in the Warren County Jail in default of bail.

September 15, 2024

- At 8:30 am, Officers arrested Tanner Golovko (age 30 of Oxford NJ) following an incident on Evergreen Place. Mr. Golovko was charged with unlawful taking by means of conveyance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and credit card theft; Mr. Golovko was released on a summons complaint.