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Weekly Police Blotter

10/2/2022 - 10/9/2022

*The below captions are a summary of significant police responses during the listed week. The blotter does not include all calls for service attended to by the Rochelle Park Police Department.

• 10/2/22 2:11 AM, (Suspicious Person)

Officers were dispatched to the Municipal Building for a female party sleeping on the steps. Officers dispersed the individual and provided alternative locations to stay for the night.

• 10/2/22 7:23 AM, (Theft)

An employee of a W. Passaic Street bagel store reported (3) male individuals wearing construction vests ordered a large amount of food, placed items in their pockets, and left without paying. Officers are reviewing surveillance footage.

• 10/2/22 10:27 AM, (Suspicious Person)

Fire officials reported a suspicious male utilizing the restroom at Fire Headquarters. Patrol located the party, identified the 18-year-old male, and issued a warning for his actions.

• 10/2/22 11:49 AM, (Suspicious Occurrence)

Patrol was alerted by a male party cleaning a wooded section of property near a Terrace Ave. church. The male located a discarded firearm. The weapon was found to be an imitation Glock 17 air soft gun. The orange safety tip was removed. Detectives are looking to connect the item to potential crimes.

• 10/3/22 10:46 AM, (Adult Arrest)

Officers responded to the Essex County Jail and took custody of an 18-year-old male. The arrestee was wanted for burglary and theft charges, related to an attempted vehicle theft. The male was processed at headquarters and subsequently committed to the Bergen County Jail.

• 10/3/22 3:26 PM, (Domestic Violence Order)

Officers responded to a Madison Ave. residence to assist Mahwah Police with a domestic violence order.

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• 10/5/22 11:32 PM, (Motor Vehicle Stop)

Officers stopped as motor vehicle on Route 17 South. The vehicle was listed as a felony vehicle by the Nassau County Police. After an on-scene investigation, Nassau County officials requested the release of the vehicle as warrants were not issued. 3 summonses were issued to the 54-year-old male driver.

• 10/6/22 2:25 PM, (Breach of Peace)

Officers responded to a Howard Ave. address for a neighbor dispute. Responding personnel maintained the peace and settled the dispute.

• 10/6/22 4:01 PM, (Suspicious Person)

Officers were dispatched to a West Passaic St. supermarket for reports of a female panhandling in front of the store. Officers located the 43-year-old female, advised her of the ordinance for soliciting, and dispersed the female from the area.

• 10/6/22 8:49 PM, (Narcotics Arrest)

Patrol conducted a motor vehicle stop in the area of Plaza Blvd. and W. Passaic Street. An on-scene investigation led to the arrest of a 40-year-old male, for possession of Cocaine. The male was charged with failure to deliver C.D.S. to police, possession of a controlled dangerous substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was released pending a future court date.

• 10/7/22 4:41 PM, (Breach of Peace)

Patrol responded to Howard Ave. for an ongoing neighbor dispute. Each party was spoken with and agreed to settle the disagreement without police involvement.

• 10/8/22 2:01 AM, (DWI Arrest)

Patrol located a suspicious vehicle on Railroad Avenue. An on-scene investigation led to suspicion of intoxicated driving and field sobriety tests. The 40-year-old male driver, was arrested for DWI, charged, and released to a family member.

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• 10/8/22 9:57 AM, (Adult Arrest)

Patrol was alerted to a NJ Transit Bus, by a driver. The driver reported a disorderly passenger on board. The 18-year-old male passenger, did not have a valid bus pass, refused to exit, and refused to provide identification. The male was placed under arrest for theft of services, disorderly conduct, and resisting arrest. He was released pending a future court date.

• 10/8/22 9:14 PM, (Assist Other Department)

Lodi Police requested assistance with a large group assembled at an Essex Street business. Patrol assisted in dispersing a large group of motorists present for a car meet up.

• 10/9/22 10:44 PM, (Motor Vehicle Crash / Injuries)

Patrol was dispatched to East Passaic Street for a serious motor vehicle collision. Two vehicles were located with major damage, one driver was found to be unconscious. EMS and Paramedics were dispatched. The drivers, a 43-year-old male and a 19-year-old male were both transported to Hackensack University Medical Center. The accident investigation is ongoing.

*A charge is not a conviction. All persons are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Charges can be amended or dismissed.

