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**Weekly Police Blotter**  
*11/8/2022 – 11/15/2022*

\*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.

- **11/8/2022 2:50 PM, (Lost/Stolen Property)**  
A Township employee reported a lost or stolen iPhone. Patrol tracked the phone to a Paramus Shopping Mall, located the item, and returned it to the owner.
- **11/8/2022 3:09 PM, (Arson Arrest)**  
Patrol received a report of a large fire in a Marinus Street back yard. Responding officers found a homeowner extinguishing a fire with a garden hose. The fire spread from a storm drain, to a fence, and into a garbage can. Damage was caused to a neighboring property. An on-scene investigation led to the discovery that gasoline was used to ignite the blaze. A 65-year-old male resident was arrested and charged with 2 counts of arson.
- **11/8/2022 3:56 PM, (Harassment)**  
A Catherine Street resident reported being the victim of harassment. Criminal complaints were filed in a different jurisdiction, however, the complainant requested extra checks in the area of her residence.
- **11/9/2022 9:24 AM, (Welfare Check)**  
Patrol located a male running through traffic on West Passaic Street. The male did not require medical attention, was educated on pedestrian safety, and sent on his way.
- **11/9/2022 10:42 AM, (Warrant Service)**  
Patrol attempted to serve a criminal warrant in Hackensack. The party was not home, court documents were left with a family member.
- **11/9/2022 9:44 PM, (Suspicious Vehicle)**  
Patrol located an occupied suspicious vehicle in the Bergen County Park after authorized hours. The parties were dispersed and issued (2) motor vehicle summonses.

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- **11/10/2022 12:21 AM, (Suspicious Person)**  
Police received a report of a man sleeping on the couch in a condominium lobby. The male was awoken and found to be a resident of the property. The 41-year-old male was escorted from the couch to his bed.
- **11/10/2022 6:33 PM, (Disabled Vehicle)**  
Patrol was dispatched to Route 17 Northbound for a disabled vehicle missing a wheel. Officers located a Jeep Compass with the front passenger wheel missing. The vehicle was towed from the scene.
- **11/11/2022 3:05 AM, (Noise Complaint)**  
Patrol was dispatched to an A-Harvey Ave. residence for a man yelling at 3 am. Police located the 51-year-old male resident who was yelling at his dog. He was issued a warning in reference to the Township noise ordinance.
- **11/11/2022 11:17 PM, (Assist other Agency)**  
Patrol was requested to assist Maywood PD in a search for home invasion suspects. The actors fled the scene in a vehicle prior to police arrival.
- **11/12/2022 8:56 AM, (Fraud)**  
The manager of an East Passaic Street bank reported locating a sticker affixed to the ATM camera. Responding officers reviewed surveillance footage and determined fraudulent transactions occurred on a previous date. The Detective Bureau is actively investigating.
- **11/12/2022 4:27 PM, (Juvenile Complaint)**  
Patrol located two juveniles in the area of Parker Ave., riding dirt bikes in the roadway. The juveniles and their father were warned that motor vehicle summonses will be issued should the activity not cease.

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- **11/14/22 11:28 AM, (Suspicious Occurrence)**  
A resident of Hahn Avenue reported his neighbor threw a large glass liquor bottle into the street, causing the glass to shatter. The debris was cleaned and patrol was unable to contact the actor.
- **11/14/2022 9:06 PM, (Breach of Peace/ Arrest)**  
A resident of Rochelle Avenue reported a dispute among family members. Responding patrol officers located an active restraining order, the order was violated, and a 70-year-old female was arrested for violating a court order.
- **11/15/2022 2:50 AM, (Fraud)**  
A patron of a West Passaic Street supermarket reported a loss of approximately \$1,000 on an EBT card. Police are investigating whether or not the loss was accidental or an intentional fraud.
- **11/15/2022 2:42PM, (Package Theft)**  
A resident of Central Avenue reported a package stolen from his door step the previous week, on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Detectives are investigating.
- **11/15/2022 4:445 PM (Criminal Mischief)**  
A patron of a West Passaic Street supermarket reported damage to his vehicle. The victim reported a white male, operating a black Lexus, used a key to scratch the passenger side of his car. Surveillance cameras to be reviewed.

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