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**Weekly Police Blotter**  
*11/28/2022 – 12/5/2022*

\*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.

- **11/28/2022 1:25 PM, (Suspicious Person)**  
A patrol officer located a male party in front of a Route 17 business. The male was wearing hospital scrubs, (1) croc, (1) sneaker, and had a garment wrapped around his neck. He was determined to require a medical evaluation and was committed to a local hospital.
- **11/28/2022 5:53 PM, (Welfare Check)**  
Patrol received a report of a suicidal party in the area of East Forest Place. Officers were unable to locate the male; however, he was ultimately found at a Paramus Shopping Mall in good health.
- **11/28/2022 6:00 PM, (Community Outreach)**  
Officers were assigned to a Township-Wide Quality of Life Detail. State, County, and Local ordinance violations were documented and turned over to the respective enforcement offices.
- **11/29/2022 1:01 PM, (Suspicious Occurrence)**  
A South Drive resident reported a male party rang her doorbell and then proceeded into the backyard where he looked inside her windows. The party was described as a black male, 30-40's, stocky build, wearing all black. The incident wasn't reported until hours later. Detectives are investigating, no burglaries were reported in the area on the date in question.
- **11/9/2022 7:44 PM, (Breach of Peace)**  
Officers were dispatched to a Passaic Street storage facility for a dispute. The argument stemmed over a parking space. Officers diffused the situation and all parties went separate ways.
- **11/30/2022 10:59 AM, (Suspicious Person)**

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A Railroad Avenue business owner reported a male party sleeping in the lobby. Patrol located a 19-year-old homeless male. He was advised against trespassing and provided information for local shelters.

- **11/30/2022 5:26 PM, (Assist Other Agency)**  
Maywood Police requested assistance with a foot pursuit of a fraud suspect in the area of Maywood Avenue. Patrol assisted in the apprehension and transportation of (3) suspects.
- **12/2/2022 1:52 AM, (Vehicle Fire)**  
Patrol was dispatched to a Marinus Street residence for a report of a car fire. Police located a Toyota RAV4 fully engulfed in flames. The RPF D extinguished the fire and no injuries were reported. Minor damage to the vinyl siding on the owners' home was discovered.
- **12/2/2022 12:18 APM, (Suspicious Occurrence)**  
A male party called the police desk to report he was smoking marijuana at a Passaic Street bus stop, and was threatened. The caller and his weed were no longer on scene upon police arrival.
- **12/3/2022 12:26 AM, (Commitment Involuntary)**  
Patrol was requested to respond to a Rochelle Avenue convenience store for a report of an attack with a weapon. Officers located the complainant who advised that he was struck with a bat by a party wearing all orange. Officers determined the attack did not occur and the caller required a medical evaluation.
- **12/3/2022 2:26 PM, (Suspicious Occurrence)**  
A passerby reported a male party attempting to enter a shuttered Rochelle Avenue diner. Responding patrol located a 61-year-old male in the rear of the diner. It was determined that the subject was highly intoxicated and required medical attention. No attempted entry to the business was discovered.
- **12/3/2022 4:25 PM, (Juvenile Complaint)**  
Police received a report of a damaged vehicle on Passaic Street. Responding officers learned that a group of juveniles were walking on Plaza Way. One of the juveniles, described as a tall/thin white male wearing a hoody and a ski mask,

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threw a Bluetooth speaker at his windshield. The windshield shattered upon impact. Three juveniles were located; however, the actor was not on scene. Officers are working with school officials to identify the delinquent actor.

- **12/4/22 1:59 PM, (Juvenile Complaint)**  
Patrol located a group of 20-30 juveniles on bicycles obstructing traffic. The juveniles disregarded all officers' instructions and eventually exited the roadway into the county park.
- **12/5/2022 10:26 AM, (Suspicious Occurrence)**  
A motorist reported a vehicle pulled over on the side of Essex Street. Four or Five males exited the vehicle and assaulted another male. Patrol units from surrounding agencies responded, no actors nor victims were located.
- **12/5/2022 10:48 AM, (Robbery Arrest)**  
Several callers reported a male jumping on the hood of a moving vehicle on Route 17 North. Responding units located a male victim who reported his vehicle stolen. An extensive investigation revealed the male victim was lured to the location by his estranged family. Once at the location, he was held against his will, his keys were stolen, and the vehicle was taken. Officers identified and arrested the victim's wife and son. The arrestees were charged with Robbery and Theft and were committed to the Bergen County Jail.
- **12/5/2022 10:57 AM, (Theft)**  
The owner of a Railroad Avenue vending machine reported items missing. The complainant stated approximately 18 items were missing from the machine, likely caused by rocking and tilting the display. Officers are working to recover surveillance video of the theft.

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