

ELSMERE POLICE DEPARTMENT
Monthly Report
February 2017

Significant Events:

On the following dates/times Elsmere Bureau of Police officers handled the below incidents and seized the following drugs, money and weapons during the month.

Resignation:

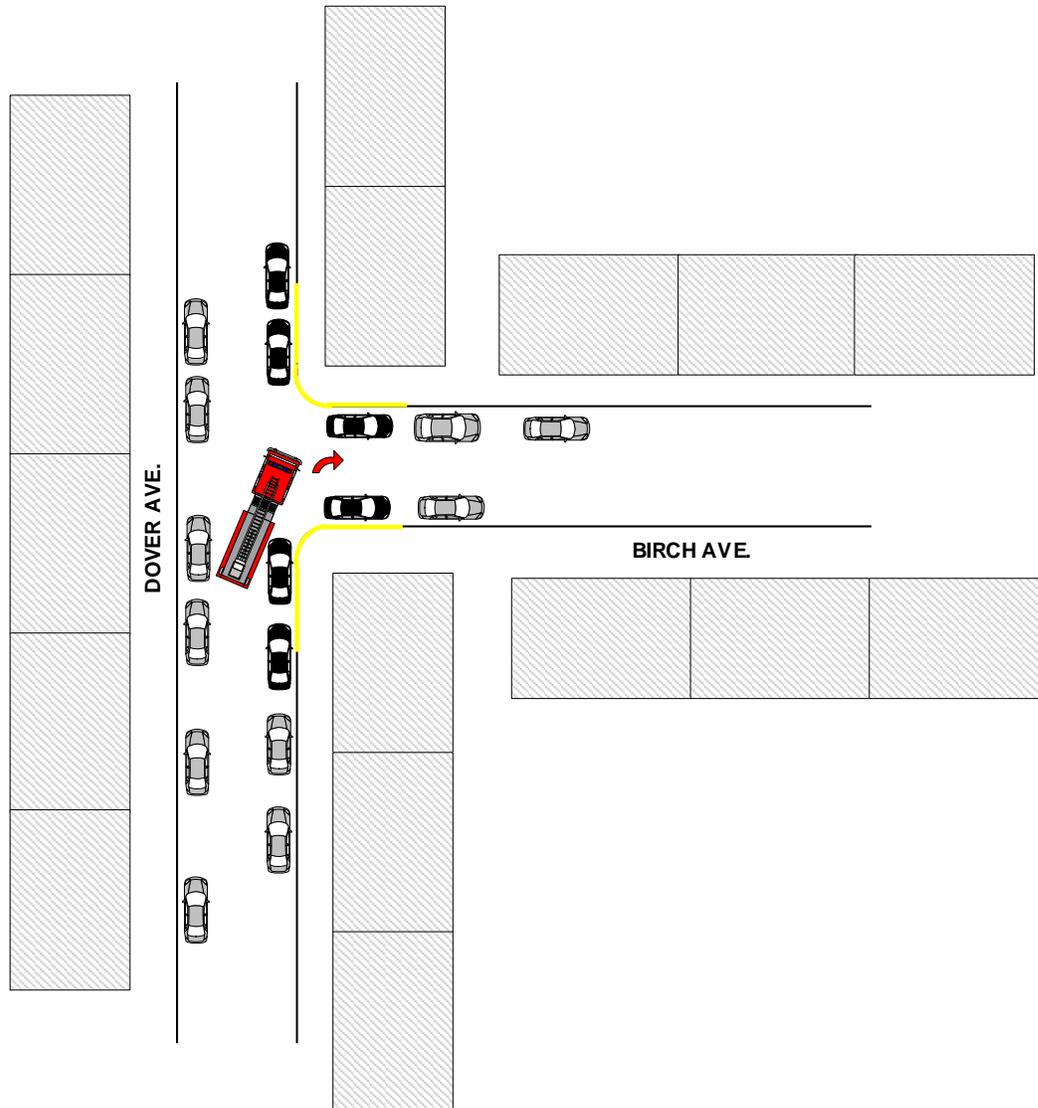
Cpl. John Mitchell has resigned from the department effective February 12, 2017. Cpl. Mitchell has been with the department since February 2009. Cpl. Mitchell has taken a position with the Newport Police Department.

Hiring Process:

At this time the department had an active eligibility list. There are currently thirteen applicants going through the hiring process.

Facebook Release: INCREASE IN RESIDENTIAL PARKING ISSUES

Over the last few weeks, patrol officers have noticed numerous vehicles parking in restricted zones. Specifically at corners and intersections with marked yellow curbs. The Elsmere Police would like to remind residents that, while it may seem like a minute violation, it is imperative to emergency response that these areas remain free of obstruction. Parking in these prohibited zones (especially on corners) prevents larger vehicles such as fire trucks from having the necessary room to negotiate the tight neighborhood turns. In the event of an emergency, this can cause a delay in response, as responders must find an alternate route. The safety of residents and visitors is the top priority for the Elsmere Police Department. Therefore, we remind you to be mindful of where you park your vehicle, as officers **will be enforcing parking violations**. If you are unsure of what we mean, please see the example drawing.



January 17, 2017:

On Tuesday, January 17, 2017, New Castle County PD was handling a burglary where they located the suspect vehicle. The suspect vehicle was also wanted in connection to other burglaries where multiple firearms were stolen. NCCPD pursued the vehicle towards Elsmere on Route 2. PFC Giles & PFC West then joined the pursuit, which led in to Cranston Heights. The suspect vehicle crashed in to a dead end at a wooded area as the officers pursued it. All four suspects bailed on foot. EPD officers apprehended two of the four suspects. NCCPD officers apprehended the other two suspects after a lengthy K-9 track, one of which was in possession of a handgun. While the vehicle was impounded for NCCPD evidence officers observed **numerous** firearms in plain view. The driver of the vehicle was a **14-YEAR-OLD** suspect. NCCPD advised that the suspects were responsible for 3 pending burglaries for them and Pennsville New Jersey PD were looking at the same suspect for burglaries and the theft of more than 14 firearms.

January 21, 2017:

On Saturday, January 21, 2017, Delaware State Police were investigating several robberies where the suspect used a knife to threaten the business owners. The first incident occurred approximately 1750 hrs. on Thursday, January 19, 2017, at Ted's Tailor Shop & Cleaners, located at 2606 Kirkwood Highway. The second incident occurred about noon at the Wells Fargo Bank, 3215 Old Capitol Trail on Saturday, January 21st. The suspect approached the counter, implied he had a firearm, and demanded money. Approximately 10 minutes later DSP was dispatched to another robbery at Toni Cleaners located at 1606 Kirkwood Highway. Cpl. Kerrigan responded to the area and located the suspect on Forest Avenue. Cpl. Kerrigan took the suspect into custody and turned him over to DSP.

The suspect who was later identified as Michael Tielleman was to be in possession of evidence of the robberies and positively identified. Tielleman was charged with three counts of first degree robbery and three counts of possession a deadly weapon during the commission of a felony and first degree attempted robbery.

January 29, 2017:

On January 29th, 2017 Ptlm. Kevin MacDowell observed a vehicle occupied by three individuals commit a traffic violation. While attempting to identify the occupants inside the vehicle, one person gave inconsistent information as to her identity and was uncooperative. The unidentified passenger was finger printed with newly acquired hand-held software that allows officers to quickly identify wanted persons. It was determined that the occupant was 20 year old Nyasia Blalock from the unit block of Karlin Drive in New Castle who was wanted in reference to a shooting that occurred in October 2016. As a result of the advanced technology, the suspect was able to be identified in a matter of minutes and was turned over to the Delaware State Police for questioning.



Nyasia Blalock



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