



Wyckoff Police Department PRESS RELEASE

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For Immediate Release:

A resident and his son reported that on October 2, several juveniles attempted to steal the boy's bicycle while he was at the Boulder Run Shopping Center. During the attempted theft, the bicycle sustained damage. The matter was turned over to the Juvenile Bureau for further investigation. Det. Sgt. Michael Ragucci and Det. Sgt. Kevin Kasak identified the juveniles involved and conducted several interviews. At the conclusion of the investigation two 13-year-old Wyckoff males and a 14-year-old Wyckoff male accepted a Stationhouse Adjustment. A 12-year-old Wyckoff male was charged on a juvenile complaint with criminal mischief. The juvenile complaint was forwarded to the Bergen County Superior Court, Family Part, for disposition.

Det. Sgt. Kevin Kasak recently concluded a lengthy investigation surrounding the theft of two vehicles and the burglary to two additional vehicles that occurred on May 2, 2020. One of the stolen vehicles was removed from a garage after the actors used a garage door opener that was located inside another unlocked vehicle parked in the driveway. Working alongside detectives from other agencies, two suspects were identified. On November 6, Det. Sgt. Kasak issued arrest warrants for Zaire Griffith, Newark NJ, age; 23 and Malcolm Farmer, Newark NJ, age; 34. The warrants charged both men with three counts each of 3rd degree theft, and two counts each of 3rd degree burglary. As of this writing, the men have not been apprehended.

On November 18 at approximately 12:00 PM, P.O. Robert Schlossberg was on patrol when he observed a silver Dodge Durango parked behind a UPS truck making a delivery on Godwin Avenue. Knowing that package thieves will often follow delivery trucks and then steal the packages from doorsteps after they are delivered, he observed the occupants of the Durango. He saw the female passenger approach the UPS driver and speak with him. Upon observing the patrol car, the female quickly returned to the Durango and the vehicle drove away. P.O. Schlossberg spoke with the UPS driver who advised him that the female

inquired about a package being delivered to a Meadowbrook Road address. P.O. Schlossberg located the Durango on Crescent Avenue and stopped it. The subsequent investigation resulted in the arrests of Roseanny Nunez, Bronx NY, age; 30 and Rafael Evangelista Toribio, Jersey City NJ, age 32. They were transported into headquarters where Nunez was charged with receiving stolen property, conspiracy to commit theft by unlawful taking, possession of personal information for a fraudulent purpose, and possessing a false government document ID as proof of identity. Evangelista-Toribio was charged with receiving stolen property, and conspiracy to commit theft by unlawful taking. Evidence recovered from the investigation connected Nunez and Evangelista-Toribio to similar crimes in Old Bridge, NJ and Summit, NJ. Those police agencies were notified and provided with information necessary to further investigate their crimes. After processing, the pair was released from headquarters pending a court date.

On November 21 at approximately 10:00 PM, P.O. Kevin Oldewurtel observed a Honda CRV parked in the Pulis Field lot. He observed that the vehicle was occupied by two people and noted there were no events taking place at the field. Upon approaching the vehicle, he detected a strong odor of marijuana emanating from within. The subsequent investigation resulted in the arrests of Parker Shapiro, Midland Park NJ, age; 19 and Madeline Fuhr, Midland Park NJ, age; 19. They were transported into headquarters where Shapiro was charged with possession of marijuana under 50 grams. Fuhr was charged with possession of marijuana under 50 grams and possession of narcotics paraphernalia. Both parties were released from headquarters pending a court date.

The Wyckoff Police Department would like to remind our residents that criminals do not take a break during the Holiday Season. Typically, we see an increase in thefts of packages delivered to homes, burglaries, shoplifting, and items stolen from motor vehicles. You can help us keep Wyckoff safe by immediately reporting any suspicious activity to Wyckoff Communications at 201-891-2121. Please be sure to provide a detailed description of any actors or vehicles as this often proves helpful in locating them. We wish everyone a safe, happy, and healthy Holiday Season.

The Wyckoff Police Department would like to point out that the above individuals have been charged with a crime, offense, and or motor vehicle violations. However, they are presumed innocent unless and until they are found guilty in a court of law.

We cannot stress enough the value of our residents remaining alert in their neighborhoods and reporting anything unusual or suspicious to the police, "Hear It! See It!, Report It!"

We encourage all residents to report ANY suspicious persons, vehicles, or activity occurring at any time to the Wyckoff Police – County Communications Center at 201-891-2121 or 911 in the event of an emergency.