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On May 1, at approximately 4:50 PM, Sgt. Mark Tagliareni was observing traffic on Route 208 North at Cedar Hill Avenue. He observed a black Hummer drive past his location and a random check of the registration revealed that it was expired. The vehicle was stopped in the area of Ewing Avenue. While checking on the driver, Sgt. Tagliareni discovered that his driving privileges were suspended and he had an outstanding warrant from the Bergen County Sheriff's Department. While he was being taken into custody to satisfy the warrant, Sgt. Tagliareni located THC oil in his pants pocket. The subsequent investigation resulted in the arrest of Gary J. Diamond, Waldwick NJ; age 42. Diamond was transported into headquarters where he was charged with possession of marijuana under 50 grams. He also received motor vehicle summonses for driving while suspended, and possession of a controlled dangerous substance in a motor vehicle. After processing, he was released to the custody of the Bergen County Sheriff pending a court date in Wyckoff Municipal Court. P.O. William Plisich and P.O. William Christopher assisted with the arrest.

On May 3, at approximately 6:30 PM, P.O. Kaitlyn Maglione was dispatched to a residence on Crescent Avenue. The homeowner advised P.O. Maglione that a bicycle belonging to her son had been stolen from their driveway. The bicycle was described as a red Trek mountain bike with black lettering. The Wyckoff Police Department reminds all residents to keep bicycles inside of locked garages or sheds to prevent theft.

On May 6, at approximately 9:30 PM, P.O. Michael Flim was on patrol and driving on Route 208 South. He observed a black Trailblazer with New York license plates in front of him and noted that the driver was appearing to have difficulty keeping the vehicle within its lane of travel. P.O. Flim stopped the vehicle to speak with the driver. As he spoke with the driver, he detected the odor of raw marijuana emanating from the interior of the vehicle. While speaking with the driver, he admitted to P.O. Flim that he smoked marijuana just prior to operating the vehicle. P.O. Flim was conducting a search of the vehicle for additional narcotics while Sgt. Michael DeMaio and P.O. Kyle Ferreira continued to speak with the driver. Suddenly, the driver fled on foot from the officers and ran across both the southbound and northbound lanes of Route 208. Sgt. DeMaio gave chase on foot, losing the driver as he entered a residential area. A perimeter was immediately set up and the Bergen County Sheriff's Department was notified and a K9 was requested. Officers from Midland Park arrived on the scene to assist. While searching the area, Sgt. DeMaio observed a car drive down a street that dead ends just prior to Route 208 North. The driver appeared to be lost and Sgt. DeMaio noted that this vehicle too displayed New York license plates. Suspecting that the driver that fled may have called a friend for assistance, Sgt. DeMaio stopped the vehicle to speak with the driver. It was learned from her that she was the girlfriend of the driver that fled and advised the officers that she picked him up and he was currently hiding in the trunk of her vehicle. The trunk was opened and as the suspect was removed, he struggled and fought with the officers before being restrained and handcuffed. The subsequent investigation resulted in the arrest of Gibran Freytes Bautista, Philadelphia Pa., age; 34. He was transported into headquarters where he was charged with obstructing the administration of law, resisting arrest (disorderly person's offense), resisting by flight (fourth degree), possession of marijuana under 50 grams, possession of a controlled dangerous substance, and possession of narcotics paraphernalia. He was also issued motor vehicle summonses for failure to maintain a lane, unclear plates, obstructed view, and failure to exhibit insurance. He was processed and released from headquarters. After his release, he caused damage to his vehicle which had been towed to headquarters for further investigation. This resulted in additional charges of criminal mischief, tampering with evidence, and burglary being filed against him. Charges were also filed against his girlfriend, Jennifer B. Swanda, Bay Shore NY, age; 31. She was charged with hindering apprehension by concealing another, hindering apprehension by providing transportation, and endangering the welfare of a child. Both parties were released pending court dates. The Wyckoff Police would like to thank the Midland Park, Franklin Lakes, and Hawthorne Police Departments, along with the Bergen County Sheriff's Department for their assistance.

On Friday May 12, at approximately 11:00 PM, P.O. Kenneth Marcoux was on patrol. He received an alert from a neighboring town of a possibly intoxicated driver travelling on Route 208 North operating a black Tesla. He positioned his patrol vehicle at Route 208 North and Russell Avenue to observe traffic. He observed a black Tesla pass his location and pulled out to follow the vehicle. He observed that the driver was having difficulty maintaining a lane of travel. He also observed that the license plate on the Tesla was a match for the earlier alert that he received. He stopped the Tesla in the area of Ewing Avenue. As he spoke with the driver, P.O. Marcoux noted that he displayed signs of

impairment. He also detected an odor of an alcoholic beverage emanating from the breath of the driver. P.O. Marcoux requested that the driver perform several roadside tests. The subsequent investigation resulted in the arrest of Felix Daileysterling, Franklin Lakes NJ, age; 54. Daileysterling was transported into headquarters where additional testing was conducted. He was charged with driving while intoxicated, careless driving, having unclear license plates, and failure to follow marked traffic lanes. After processing he was released to a family member. His vehicle was impounded under John's Law. Sgt. Michael DeMaio and P.O. Kyle Ferriera assisted.

On May 10, at approximately 2:10 PM, Sgt. Mark Tagliareni was on patrol and in the Boulder Run Shopping Center. He observed a beige Toyota Camry parked and displaying an expired Arkansas temporary registration. As he observed the vehicle, the driver entered it and began to drive out of the shopping center. Sgt. Tagliareni stopped the vehicle to speak with the driver and confirm a valid registration for the vehicle. While speaking with the driver, Sgt. Tagliareni discovered that he had several outstanding warrants. The driver was also in possession of several items that were suspected to be shoplifted from area stores. The subsequent investigation resulted in the arrest of Ronald A. Schneid, Highland Park MI, age; 62. Schneid was transported into headquarters where he was charged with receiving stolen property and money laundering. He was also issued a motor vehicle summons for operating an unregistered vehicle. After processing, he was turned over to the custody of the Bergen County Sheriff's Department to be held as a fugitive from justice from Volusia County Florida. Det. Sgt. Michael Ragucci, Det. Sgt. Kevin Kasak, and P.O. William Christopher assisted with the arrest and investigation.

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.

