



## Wyckoff Police Department PRESS RELEASE

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### **For Immediate Release:**

**On December 12, 2019 at approximately 11:40 AM, P.O. Robert Schlossberg was monitoring traffic on Route 208. He observed a gray Chevrolet Malibu with snow obstructing the rear window travelling northbound. The vehicle was stopped, and the subsequent investigation resulted in the arrest of Edward Garcia, Liberty NY, age; 37. He was transported into headquarters and charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance. He was also issued motor vehicle summonses for having a suspended drivers license, unsafe lane change, having unclear license plates, failure to provide a driver's license and failure to remove snow or ice from a motor vehicle. He was released from headquarters pending a court date.**

**On January 2, 2020 at approximately 4:00 PM, Det. Sgt. Kasak and Det. Sgt. Ragucci responded to a local bank on a report of fraud. Upon arriving, the Detectives were advised that a male subject had entered the bank and attempted to cash a check that was suspected to be fraudulent. The bank had prior notification from another branch in Ramsey that a similar event occurred there earlier in the day and did not honor the check. Working with the bank's fraud department and Ramsey Police, Det. Sgt. Kasak identified the subject as Guillermo Alvarez, New York NY, age; 20. On January 24, Det. Sgt. Kasak charged Alvarez with one count each of attempted theft by deception, forgery, and criminal simulation. Alvarez is scheduled to appear in court.**

**On January 3, 2020 at approximately 11:30 AM, Wyckoff Patrol officers were dispatched to a local business on a report of a shoplifting that occurred earlier in the day. Responding officers investigated and identified a known offender with a prior history of shoplifting from the same business. Additionally, the suspect had been given prior notice that he was no longer welcome in the business. P.O. Michael Teegan charged David Baumeister, Wyckoff, NJ age; 48 with one count each of shoplifting and defiant trespass. He was served with the complaints and is scheduled to appear in court.**

**On January 5, 2020 at approximately 2:00 AM, P.O. Michael Flim observed the driver of a Mitsubishi Montero operate the vehicle in an erratic manner on Wyckoff Avenue. The vehicle was stopped, and the subsequent investigation resulted in the arrest of Sabrina Zegarra, Paterson NJ, age; 21. Zegarra was transported into headquarters and charged with possession of marijuana under 50 grams, and possession of narcotics paraphernalia. She was also issued motor vehicle summonses for failure to maintain a lane, driving with a suspended license, having an expired insurance document, and possession of a controlled dangerous substance in a motor vehicle. She was processed and released pending a court date.**

**On January 5, 2020 Det. Sgt. Ragucci received a report of criminal mischief that occurred at Eisenhower Middle School. It was reported that the driver of a red SUV drove onto the field, drove erratically and caused significant damage. While investigating, Det. Sgt. Ragucci discovered that a similar vehicle had also caused damage to the field at Ramapo High School. Working in conjunction with the Franklin Lakes Detective Bureau, a vehicle and suspect was identified. The driver of the vehicle, a 16-year-old male resident of Warwick NY, was given a Stationhouse Adjustment by the Franklin Lakes Police Department. He and his parents agreed to the terms of the Adjustment and have agreed to make restitution to repair the damage to the fields. The estimate to repair Eisenhower's field was approximately \$2,500.00**

**On January 9, 2020 at approximately 6:30 AM, P.O. Kyle Ferreira observed a suspicious vehicle parked on Lynch Place. The operator of the vehicle, Miguel Martinez, Wyckoff NJ, age; 25 was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana under 50 grams, and possession of narcotics paraphernalia. He also received motor vehicle summonses for having unclear license plates, tinted windows, failure to exhibit a valid registration card, and possession of a controlled dangerous substance in a motor vehicle. He was released from headquarters pending a court date.**

**On January 9, 2020 at approximately 3:20 PM, Det. Sgt. Kevin Kasak and Det. Sgt. Michael Ragucci with assistance from the Waldwick and Allendale Police investigated fraudulent activity at banks in the three towns. The investigation resulted in the arrest of Marc Richardson, Nanuet NY, age; 25. Richardson attempted to cash two fraudulent checks at a Wyckoff bank. He was charged with one count of attempted theft by deception, two counts of forgery, and one count of trafficking in personal identity information. He is scheduled to appear in court.**

**On January 9, 2020 at approximately 5:30 PM, P.O. Kevin Oldewurtel stopped a green Ford Taurus on Route 208 Northbound after observing several violations. The subsequent investigation resulted in the arrest of Cole Yereance, Wanaque NJ, age; 18. He was transported into headquarters and charged with possession of marijuana under 50 grams. He also received motor vehicle summonses for having unclear license plates, and possession of a controlled dangerous substance in a motor vehicle. He was released from headquarters pending a court date.**

**On January 9, 2020 at approximately 9:00 PM, P.O. Terrence Murphy was dispatched to a local business on a report of shoplifter who was being detained. Upon his arrival, P.O. Murphy identified the shoplifter as David Baumeister, Wyckoff NJ, age; 48. Baumeister had previously been given notice that he was no longer welcome at the business. P.O. Murphy placed him under arrest and transported him into headquarters. He was charged with one count each of shoplifting and defiant trespass. He was released pending a court date.**

**On January 10, 2020 at approximately 7:30 PM, P.O. Joseph Fullam observed a red Nissan Pathfinder travelling on Godwin Avenue. The vehicle had an inoperative tail lamp and the driver made an improper turn. The vehicle was stopped, and the subsequent investigation resulted in the arrest of Andrea Bell, Orange NJ, age; 49. She was transported into headquarters and charged with possession of marijuana under 50 grams, and possession of narcotics paraphernalia. She was also issued motor vehicle summonses for failure to observe a traffic signal, maintenance of lamps, driving with a suspended license, and being unlicensed to operate a motor vehicle. Her passenger, a 50-year-old male resident of Orange NJ, was found to have an outstanding warrant from the Orange Police Department. They were contacted and released him on his own recognizance. Bell was released from custody pending a court date.**

**On January 13, 2020 Det. Sgt. Kevin Kasak received a report concerning the theft of a driver's license. The subsequent investigation resulted in the arrest of Elizabeth Carney, Wyckoff NJ, age; 20. She was charged with one count of receiving stolen property and is scheduled to appear in court.**

**On January 19, 2020 at approximately 1:15 PM, Wyckoff Patrol units were dispatched to a local business on a reported shoplifting. The management of the business provided the officers with a description of the suspect and she was located inside of an adjoining business and taken into custody. Tiffany Conklin, Wyckoff NJ, age; 47 was transported into headquarters and charged with one count of shoplifting. She was given formal notice that she is no longer welcome to enter the business and released from headquarters pending a court date.**

*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.*