POLICE BLOTTER 3/10/2025

The Delanco Police Department asks that if you see suspicious activity, persons, or vehicles, please contact the police department immediately. Do not confront suspicious persons or vehicles yourself. Please do not think that you are going to "bother" us. We would rather come out and find there are no problems, than to have had a problem that we were not aware of. We want our residents to feel safe. For non-emergency, immediate police dispatch, call 856-461-1515. For emergencies, call 9-1-1. To speak with office staff during normal business hours, call 856-461-0357. This line is NOT manned 24 hours a day, it is for routine business only. Business hours are M-Th 8:30am – 4:00pm, and Friday 8:30am – noon.

Sunday, February 2, 2025, 1304 hours. Officers were dispatched to the 300 block of Edgewood Avenue for the report of a *THEFT* of a catalytic converter. Upon arrival, the victim advised the officers that she came outside, started her vehicle, and immediately heard a loud exhaust and her check engine light was on. She had someone look at her vehicle and was advised that the catalytic converter had been removed. During the course of the investigation, officers spoke with a neighbor who advised that around midnight, he had seen a subject with a flashlight in his driveway, however, the subject was gone when he went outside. He then thought he heard a saw operating between 0430 – 0500 hours. Other video surveillance in the area was obtained. Further investigation was turned over to the Detective Division.

Sunday, February 2, 2025, 1342 hours. Officers were dispatched to Police Headquarters for a report of a **THEFT.** Upon arrival, officers spoke with the walk-in who reported that his catalytic converter was stolen from his vehicle sometime overnight. The vehicle was parked in the street in the 200 block of Walnut Street. During the course of the investigation, officers were able to locate still photos and video of the area overnight. This case was also turned over to the Detective Division for further investigation.

Monday, February 3, 2025, 1800 hours. Officers were dispatched to the intersection of Coopertown and Creek Roads for the report of a 2-car **MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH.** Upon arrival, officers spoke with both drivers and witnesses on location. Investigation determined that Vehicle #2 was traveling straight on Coopertown Road toward Edgewater Park Township. Vehicle #1 was traveling on Creek Road, where the driver stopped at the stop sign, but then proceeded into the intersection and struck the passenger side of Vehicle #2. Both vehicles were towed from the scene due to both being undriveable, and both drivers refused medical attention. Driver #1 was issued a traffic summons for Failure to Yield. Information was taken to generate a crash report.

Monday, February 10, 2025, 1532 hours. Officers were dispatched to the unit block of Heron Court for the report of a **BURGLARY** to a dwelling. Upon arrival, officers met with the resident who advised that when she arrived home, she observed that her residence had been broken into. This occurred within the

past 2 hours. Officers made entry in order to clear the residence. Nobody was located inside. It was noted that cash and several items were taken from the residence. The homeowner was also able to provide video surveillance from her RING doorbell camera. Officers were also able to recover additional footage from area cameras. This burglary was turned over to the Detective Division for further investigation. This is case is an open investigation.

Tuesday, February 11, 2025, 1534 hours. Officers were dispatched to Police Headquarters for a walk-in *THEFT* complaint. Upon arrival, officers spoke with the victim who advised that on January 12, 2025, an iPad that he had delivered was stolen off of his porch in the 400 block of Buttonwood Street. The victim was able to confirm that the iPad had been delivered, however he never received it. Officers were able to locate at least one camera in the area and contacted the homeowner. The homeowner agreed to provide any camera footage that he may have captured on that day. This case is being investigated by the Detective Division.

Wednesday, February 12, 2025, 1647 hours. Officers were dispatched to Police Headquarters for a walkin **FRAUD** report. The victim reported being contacted by telephone by a male who advised her that he was a deputy sheriff and that she had a warrant out for her arrest. This "deputy" then transferred the victim to a second "deputy" who also advised the victim that she would need to drive to Walmart and transfer \$1,000 using a "Go2" account in order to avoid being arrested. After transferring the money, the victim was then told that she would need to make a second payment in 2 weeks to avoid arrest. At this point, the victim became suspicious and decided to contact the police. This case is under investigation by the Detective Division.

Thursday, February 13, 2025, 0827 hours. Officers were dispatched to the 1300 block of Burlington Avenue, at the Pearson Elementary School, for the report of a *HIT AND RUN MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH* involving 2 vehicles. Upon arrival, officers spoke to the owner of the vehicle that had been struck. He advised that while he was parked and sitting inside of his vehicle, a Ford F150 backed into his vehicle and left the scene. The victim attempted to get the F150 driver's attention, however, was not able to. He was able to provide photographs of the truck and license plate to the officers. Officers made contact with the registered owner, who advised that a third party was operating the F150. The driver was ultimately identified and took responsibility for the crash. The driver was issued traffic summonses for Reckless Driving, Unlicensed Driver, and Leaving the Scene of an Accident, with a mandatory court appearance. Information was taken to generate a crash report.

Monday, February 17, 2025, 2034 hours. Officers were dispatched to the 200 block of Burlington Avenue for the report of a **BURGLARY** in progress. Upon arrival, officers spoke with the victim who reported that he had left his residence briefly. When he returned, he noticed a person inside his bedroom. There was no forced entry to the residence, although a pair of sneakers and a modest amount of cash was taken. This case is under investigation by the Detective Division.

Tuesday, February 18, 2025, 1623 hours. Officers were dispatched to the 300 block of Walnut Street for a **FIGHT** in progress. Upon arrival, officers entered into a residence where 2 juvenile siblings were fighting and threats were made. While officers were attempting to de-escalate the situation, an adult inside the house was continuously interfering with the officers. The adult was irate, using profanity, refusing to stay back from the officers attempting to handle the situation. The adult approached the officers numerous times, yelling in a loud, boisterous voice, and refused to follow orders to not approach officers on the steps. The adult continued to approach officers aggressively, therefore, he was taken into custody for **OBSTRUCTING** the investigation. The adult was transported to Police Headquarters, processed, issued a summons, and released.

Wednesday, February 19, 2025, 1844 hours. Officers were dispatched to the 700 block of Burlington Avenue for the report of an **ABANDONED ANIMAL.** Upon arrival, officers spoke to the caller who advised that she had located a cat who was left in a carrier along the side of the building. It was unknown how long that cat had been outside the building with the weather being approximately 25 degrees. The caller works for an animal rescue company and advised that she will keep the cat and shelter it. Information was taken for a report and follow up investigation.

Monday, February 24, 2025, 1009 hours. Officers were dispatched to Police Headquarters for a walk-in complaint for *FRAUD*. Upon arrival, officers spoke to the victim, who stated that she had received a text message advising her that she had an unpaid balance from EZPASS. The victim paid the balance that she was told that she owed. Soon after, she realized that the link was not an actual EZPASS link. When she contacted her bank, she was advised of several other charges that she had not made. She was also made aware that an unknown person or persons had transferred all of the money in her accounts into one account and was attempting to transfer all of the money to another person. All of her passwords and phone numbers were also changed. Her bank was able to freeze her accounts and reported it to their fraud department. She was also advised to place a fraud alert on her credit reports. A report was generated and this case is under investigation.

Tuesday, February 25, 2025, 0621 hours. Officers were dispatched to the 800 block of Coopertown Road for the report of a *MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH* involving a motor vehicle and an electric bicycle. Upon arrival, officers conducted an investigation which revealed that Vehicle #1 was traveling Northbound on Coopertown Road and began to turn into the driveway for SOHO Studio. While turning, Vehicle #1 struck an electric bicycle. The electric bicycle was traveling Southbound on Coopertown Road on the Northbound shoulder of the roadway. Driver of vehicle #1 stated that he did not see the electric bicycle driving toward him on the shoulder. The electric bicycle rider suffered injuries to his hand, shoulder, and knees, and was transported to a local hospital by ambulance. Information was taken to generate a crash report.

Tuesday, February 25, 2025, 2245 hours. Officers were dispatched to the unit block of Falcon Lane for a report of a 2-car **MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH** involving a parked vehicle. Upon arrival, officers spoke to the driver of Vehicle #2. Driver #2 stated that she was traveling on Falcon Lane while she was attempting to correct a connection issue with her cell phone, drifted toward the right side of the roadway, and struck Vehicle #1, which was parked along the curbline. No injuries were reported, and Driver #2 was issued a traffic summons for Careless Driving. Information was taken to generate a crash report.