



Allendale Police Department

Press Release

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Feb 20 – Police received a report of a suspicious male peering into the windows of a home on Brookside Avenue. Officers arrived at the home and spoke with the homeowner, who had confronted the party before he ran off. The homeowner reported that the party told him he was looking for a friend, and then ran off. Officers searched the area with help from Waldwick police, and located the party hiding behind a snow bank on Delta Court. The 18 year-old Allendale resident was arrested for Criminal Trespassing and brought to the Bergen County Jail.

Feb 24 – A resident reported that he received a letter from the IRS informing him that someone had fraudulently attempted to file an income tax form using his and his wife's identity. He confirmed this with the IRS and his accountant, then reported it to police. The Detective Bureau is investigating.

Feb 28 – Officers responded to a West Allendale Ave. apartment for a dispute where one person was threatened with a knife. When they arrived they were met outside by the victim, who resides at the apartment. He told them that his friend came to his home, demanded money and threatened him with a knife. Upon disarming and speaking with the other person, a Jersey City resident, she stated that she had lent her friend money, which she now needed. The dispute was resolved with no complaints and the woman getting a ride home.

Feb 28 – While driving on West Crescent Avenue, Officers saw a vehicle driving erratically in the southbound lane. The vehicle was stopped and upon talking with the driver it was observed that he had been drinking. He was asked to perform field sobriety tests, which indicated he was intoxicated. The 52 year-old Mahwah man was brought to police headquarters where breath tests confirmed his blood alcohol content to be over .08%. He was released to a friend after being charged with DWI and other traffic offenses.

Mar 2 – A resident reported that someone used his Verizon account to purchase an iPhone 6 for \$950 at a mall in Delaware. One week later an attempt was made to open a T-Mobile account in Brooklyn using a fraudulent driver license in his name. The Detective Bureau is investigating.

Mar 2 – Representatives of a local business reported that they had shipped merchandise to a Georgia resident as replacement for defective equipment which was

to be returned. Several attempts were made to contact the person in Georgia to have the defective equipment returned, to no avail. After investigating, the Georgia resident was charged with three counts of theft.

Mar 2 – While on patrol an officer observed two suspicious persons in front of the A&P. He stopped to speak with them, and after checking determined there was an active no-bail arrest warrant for one of them, a 21 year-old female resident. She was brought to police headquarters where she was processed before being transported the Bergen County Jail.

Mar 6 – Two 18 year olds were arrested at Northern Highlands for possessing marijuana and prescription medications. The two were observed with the items on school grounds by an adult who then called police. Both were given a court date and released on their own recognizance.

Mar 7 – While on patrol officers noticed a vehicle being driven in an erratic manner on Franklin Turnpike and West Orchard Street. It was stopped on Brookside Avenue. After speaking with the driver a short time the 25 year-old man appeared intoxicated. He was asked to perform field sobriety tests, which indicated he was intoxicated. He was brought to police headquarters where breath tests confirmed his blood alcohol content to be over .08%. He was released to a friend after being charged with DWI and other traffic offenses.

Mar 9 – Employees at the A&P reported that a male and female had shoplifted \$180 in liquor from the store. After viewing video of the event, one of the parties was identified, but the other was not. The Detective Bureau is working to identify the second party.

Mar 9 – While in a local business investigating another matter, the officer observed an 18 year-old Ramsey man present fraudulent identification to purchase alcohol. The man was stopped outside the store and arrested. He was brought to police headquarters where he was charged with Underage Possession of Alcohol, Presenting a Fraudulent Government Document and Hindering Arrest.

Mar 15 – Shortly after 2:00 PM officers were called to West Allendale Avenue in front of a business for a reported intoxicated driver. The vehicle left the area just prior to officers' arrival, but a motorist advised them the vehicle was on Myrtle Avenue heading toward West Crescent Avenue. The vehicle was stopped, and the driver did appear to be intoxicated. The 70 year-old male resident was asked to perform field sobriety tests, which indicated he was intoxicated. He was brought to police headquarters where breath tests confirmed his blood alcohol content to be over .08%. He was released to a friend after being charged with DWI and other traffic offenses.

Mar 17 – While working crime prevention detail officers observed two women carrying bags with alcohol in them purchase train tickets. Appearing to be under the legal age to possess alcohol, the officers approached the women and requested their ID. The two were, in fact 20 years old. The Allendale and Upper Saddle River residents were brought to police headquarters where they were charged with Underage Possession of Alcohol and released their own recognizance.

Mar 20 – Police were called to a vacant East Crescent Avenue house to investigate a theft. Officers found that the house had been broken into and copper pipes in the utility room had been removed. The Detective Bureau is investigating.

Mar 21 – While on patrol a suspicious vehicle was observed dropping a male passenger off in front of a bank, then picking him up a short time later. The vehicle was stopped on Pittis Ave. A check of the occupants showed there was an active warrant for the party who had been at the bank. He was arrested and brought to police headquarters. While there, officers found indications that the person was involved with check fraud at other banks in the area. Further investigation showed that while at the bank he had cashed a fraudulent check. As a result he was charged with Check fraud and lodged in the Bergen County Jail.

Mar 21 – Police received a call that three people were possibly shoplifting at Rite Aid and the A&P. The parties left the area prior to officers' arrival. A description of the three suspects and their vehicle was obtained and sent to other police departments. A short time afterward, two Allendale officers were on their way back from the Bergen County Jail after dropping off the person arrested for check fraud and observed the shoplifting suspects' vehicle stuck in traffic on Route 17 in Paramus. They called Paramus police, who helped stop the car. Inside were shoplifting proceeds from stores in Allendale, Mahwah and Waldwick. All three were arrested and brought to police headquarters, where they were charged with the thefts and brought to the Bergen County Jail.

Mar 21 – A resident reported that \$625 was charged to his Home Depot credit card without his knowledge. The Detective Bureau is investigating.

Mar 23 – Police were notified of a disabled vehicle on East Allendale Avenue at about 8:00 pm. When an officer arrived, the vehicle was found to have a flat front tire. The driver of the vehicle explained that he struck a curb, causing the flat. While talking to the driver he appeared to be intoxicated. Officers asked him to perform field sobriety tests, which furthered this conclusion. He was arrested and brought to police headquarters, where breath test results in excess of .08% BAC confirmed he was intoxicated. The 39 year-old Monroe, NY man was charged with DWI and careless driving and released to a relative.

Mar 24 – A Rhode Island driver license was turned over to the police department by a liquor store manager. A young female had attempted to purchase alcohol with the license and was denied. After a short investigation the 18 year-old female who presented the fraudulent driver license was charged with Tampering with Public Records.

Mar 28 – While on patrol officers saw one vehicle tailgating another on West Crescent Ave. After stopping it, the driver exhibited signs of being intoxicated. He was asked to perform field sobriety tests, which furthered this suspicion. The 33 year-old male from Edgewater was arrested and brought to police headquarters, where breath tests over .08% BAC confirmed his intoxication. He was issued summonses for DWI, Careless driving and Failure to keep right and released to a friend.

Apr 1 – Police were called to a West Maple Ave home to investigate an attempted burglary. Responding officers found that someone may have attempted to enter the home through a rear window. The Detective Bureau is investigating.