



Allendale Police Department

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July 8 – A Montrose Terrace resident reported that after paying workers at his house he left his wallet in his van. When he went to retrieve the wallet \$380 cash was missing. Sgt. Mattiace and PO Kuenzel spoke to the homeowner and the workers, but were not able to retrieve the money.

July 9 – Officers Rizzo and Hillgardner were called to a Byron Court house to investigate a burglary that had occurred. The resident reported that he was awakened a little before 1:30 AM by his burglar alarm. Upon checking the house he found a first floor door had been forced open, and called police. The officers called a county police K9 and crime scene unit. The area was checked but the responsible person(s) were not located. Nothing appeared to have been taken from the home. The Detective Bureau is investigating

July 9 – While on patrol, Officer Hillgardner was sent to Orchard Park to investigate two suspicious vehicles. Upon arrival she saw the vehicles. One of which had two occupants. When she began to ask what they were doing she noticed that the driver had marijuana in the car. The driver, a 20 year-old male Allendale resident, was also found to have drug paraphernalia in the vehicle. He was subsequently arrested and charged with Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. He was released pending a future court appearance pending a future court date.

July 13 – A resident came into HQ to report that someone had defrauded her 2015 tax filing. After filing her taxes she found out that the person(s) had claimed one of her children on their form, preventing her from doing so. The Detective Bureau is investigating.

July 15 – While checking Crestwood Park after hours, PO Bartoloma saw a vehicle parked near the pavilion with two occupants. As he made contact with them he noticed there was marijuana in the vehicle. Upon further investigation it was learned that there was also drug paraphernalia in the car. The driver of the vehicle, a 19 year-old Englewood man, was arrested and charged with Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. He was released pending a future court appearance.

July 21 – A local business reported that someone twice fabricated checks belonging to their company, and then cashed them at check cashing stores in Trenton, NJ. After an investigation Det. Dillon charged the responsible person with two counts of forgery. Bail was set at \$10,000. On July 27th the suspect, a 32 year-old Trenton man, was arrested in Burlington County. He was held in the Burlington County Jail until Allendale officers could transport him back to Bergen County to be held for trial.

July 23 – A Gloria Drive resident called to report a theft from her car during the night. When she returned home the prior evening, she left her wallet containing \$150 cash in the unlocked car. She went to the car the following morning and discovered the money was missing. No other property or credit cards appeared to be disturbed. The Detective Bureau is investigating.

July 23 – A Fox Run resident reported that he was defrauded of \$5,400 by someone who used an illicit email address. He was overseas and attempting to make payments to his condo association when someone obtained one of the emails from the legitimate agent he dealt with and diverted the account info to themselves. Once they had the man's account information they transferred the funds into their own account. By the time he realized what had occurred, the money had been withdrawn from his account. The Detective Bureau is investigating.

July 25 – A resident of Arcadia Road reported that someone attempted to break into his house during the evening. The family had left the home about 6:00PM and when they returned at 10:00 they saw that the front door had been damaged in the attempt. Officers Kuenzel and Hillgardner called the county police K9 and BCI unit and checked the area but could not locate any suspects. The Detective Bureau is investigating.

July 28 – While on patrol Officer Bartoloma was flagged down by an A&P employee who reported that two men had just shoplifted liquor from the store. Officer Stettner was called to assist with the investigation. The area was checked, but both suspects had fled the area prior to either officer's arrival. The Detective Bureau is investigating.

July 31 – An Elmwood Avenue resident reported that two sets of car keys were removed from her home overnight. The keys were kept near the rear door to the home, which she noticed was slightly ajar in the morning. The Detective Bureau is investigating.

August 1 – Two vehicles belonging to the same resident were entered on Schuyler Road. Both vehicles were parked in the driveway and neither was damaged in the

process. Approximately \$100 was taken during the incident. The Detective Bureau is investigating.

August 8 – While attempting to sell her house, a Dale Avenue resident found that her house was listed on Craig's List as being for rent. After flagging the fraudulent listing, she notified police. The listing was subsequently taken down.

August 4 – After being called to the A&P by a store employee for a shoplifter, Officer Rosendahl found one suspect attempting to exit via the entrance pushing a cart filled with liquor and other merchandise. Sgt. Griffith also responded and located a second suspect in the liquor department pushing a cart filled with bottles of liquor. While speaking to him, he was found to have drug paraphernalia in his possession. Both men, one a 26 year-old from Elmwood Park, the other a 29 year-old from Fair Lawn, were arrested and brought to police HQ. The 26 year-old was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and the 29 year-old was charged with shoplifting \$230 worth of merchandise. Both were released pending a future court appearance. After an investigation by the Detective Bureau the 29 year-old was charged with past incidences of shoplifting.

August 7 – A customer at the A&P reported the theft of \$100 from his wallet. The man made a purchase and inadvertently left his wallet at the store. Through investigation Sgt. Lawler determined that a man in his 20's had picked up the wallet, removed the cash and then turned the wallet in to a cashier. The Detective Bureau is investigating.

August 7 – While on patrol, Det. Dillon noticed a man exiting a store on Franklin Turnpike wearing a handgun on his hip and a police-type uniform. The man was stopped and Det. Dillon and Sgt. Lawler questioned him about the weapon and uniform. The man, aged 49 and from Mountainside, NJ stated he worked for an armored car service and was permitted to carry the weapon. Through investigation it was found that he did work for the armored car service, but was not licensed to carry the firearm. He was brought to police HQ where he was charged with Unlawful Possession of a Handgun.

August 7 – A resident came to police HQ to report attempts to use his identity to make purchases totaling \$3,000. His bank blocked the transactions, and the credit services were notified. The Detective Bureau is investigating.

August 8 – Officer Rosendahl stopped a vehicle on Franklin Turnpike for a traffic violation. As he was talking to the driver he noticed marijuana in the vehicle. After confirming that it belonged to the 18 year-old driver and not a 16 year-old passenger, he arrested the driver and brought him to police HQ. The passenger was transported

to police HQ by Officer Hubbard. The driver was charged with Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia as well as traffic offenses. He was released pending a future court appearance. The juvenile was released to his parents without any charges.