Manalapan Twp. Police Dept. Press Releases February 28 – March 5, 2024 Residents are reminded to remove any valuables from unoccupied vehicles and remember to lock your vehicle's doors. ***DO NOT LEAVE KEY FOBS IN VEHICLES! ***

Incident 24MN11230 – Theft

On Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at approximately 5:50 p.m., employees of QuickChek, located at 270 Monmouth Road in Manalapan, reported that an unknown actor stole \$71.04 worth of gasoline. Patrolman Hayden Hrymack handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 24MN11208 - Shoplifting

On Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at approximately 1:41 p.m., employees of Best Buy, located at 15 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that an unknown actor(s) shoplifted items valued at \$1,159.93. Patrolman Hayden Hrymack handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 24MN11183 – Fraud

On Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at approximately 9:17 a.m., a 77-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) made \$7,000.00 in fraudulent charges utilizing their credit card information. Patrolman Aaron Abeles handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 24MN11127 – Fraud

On Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at approximately 7:07 p.m., a 50-year-old Manalapan resident reported being defrauded in the amount of \$100.00 by an unknown actor via social media. Patrolman Joseph Santomarco handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 24MN10995 - Shoplifting

On Sunday, March 3, 2024, at approximately 2:35 p.m., employees of Home Sense, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that two unknown actors shoplifted items valued at \$249.99. Patrolman Mantas Stanionis handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 24MN10983 - Shoplifting

On Sunday, March 3, 2024, at approximately 11:57 a.m., employees of the Wegmans Supermarket, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that an unknown actor(s) shoplifted items valued at \$227.09. Patrolman Mantas Stanionis handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 24MN10982 – Shoplifting

On Sunday, March 3, 2024, at approximately 11:39 a.m., employees of the Wegmans Supermarket, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that an unknown actor(s) shoplifted items valued at \$349.86. Patrolman Mantas Stanionis handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 24MN10981 - Theft

On Sunday, March 3, 2024, at approximately 11:31 a.m., a 30-year-old Newark resident reported a landlord unlawfully removed property, valued at approximately \$10,000.00, from a Woodward Road residence. Patrolman Christopher Makwinski handled the report.

Incident 24MN10859 – Criminal Attempt (Fraud)

On Saturday, March 2, 2024, at approximately 7:51 a.m., a 66-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor(s) attempted to defraud them in the amount of \$25,000.00 via the internet. Patrolman Christopher Makwinski handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 24MN10782 – Shoplifting

On Friday, March 1, 2024, at approximately 2:51 p.m., employees of Home Goods, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that two unknown actors shoplifted items valued at \$1,395.91. Patrolman Marshall Bitsko handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 24MN10780 – Shoplifting

On Friday, March 1, 2024, at approximately 2:12 p.m., employees of Home Sense, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that an unknown actor(s) shoplifted items valued at \$1,334.92. Patrolman Marshall Bitsko handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 24MN10763 – Criminal Attempt (Fraud)

On Friday, March 1, 2024, at approximately 12:03 p.m., a 73-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) attempted to utilize their personal information to fraudulently open a credit card account. Patrolman James Joiner handled the report.

Incident 24MN10655 - Fraud

On Thursday, February 29, 2024, at approximately 6:06 p.m., a 24-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported an unknown actor(s) utilized their personal information to fraudulently open a credit card account. Patrolman Dennis O'Brien handled the report.

Incident 24MN10648 – Driving While Intoxicated

On Thursday, February 29, 2024, at approximately 5:07 p.m., Patrolman Ryan Brady conducted a motor vehicle stop on Gordons Corner Road in Manalapan. The driver, identified as Maaz A. Chatta, a 22-year-old, unmarried, unemployed, male resident of Old Bridge, was found to be driving while intoxicated. Mr. Chatta was placed under arrest and later released after being issued summons. Patrolman Ryan Brady was the arresting officer.

Incident 24MN10637 – Motor Vehicle Burglary / Theft

On Thursday, February 29, 2024, at approximately 4:17 p.m., a 28-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor(s) burglarized an unlocked motor vehicle that was parked at a Wilson Avenue residence and removed property valued at approximately \$82.00. Patrol Officer JeanMarie Kaminski handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 24MN10615 – Theft

On Thursday, February 29, 2024, at approximately 1:22 p.m., an employee of a Construction Company reported that an unknown actor(s) stole property valued at \$665.00 from a construction site located on Sobechko Road. Patrolman Marshall Bitsko handled the report.

Incident 24MN10514 – Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

On Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at approximately 8:58 p.m., Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo conducted a motor vehicle stop on Route 33 for a motor vehicle violation. The driver, identified as Michael Romano, a 26-year-old, unmarried, unemployed, male resident of Freehold Township, was found to be in possession of drug paraphernalia. Mr. Romano was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and subsequently released on his own recognizance. Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo was the arresting officer.

Incident 22MN10465 - Theft

On Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at approximately 3:46 p.m., a 64-year-old New York resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) unlawfully removed a license plate from a vehicle that was parked at a Woodward Road residence. Patrolman Brandon Rodrigues handled the report.

Incident 24MN10422 – Criminal Attempt (Burglary)

On Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at approximately 10:51 a.m., a 66-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor(s) unsuccessfully attempted to enter an Overlook Way residence. Patrolman Hayden Hrymack handled the report, which is pending further investigation.