



# HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP POLICE

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**PRESS RELEASE FOR NOVEMBER 22, 2017**

## **Possession of Controlled Substance**

On September 21, 2017 at 12:24 hours, Hilltown Police responded to Green Street and Fairhill Road for a two vehicle crash with one vehicle overturned. Investigation determined that a vehicle driven by Linda Marie Oeschger, 48, from the 5200 block of Moyer Road, Pipersville, PA had failed to stop for a stop sign and impacted another vehicle. During the investigation, suspected controlled substance was observed within the vehicle and subsequently seized and submitted for laboratory analysis. Oeschger was charged with Possession of Controlled Substance, and a Duties at Stop Signs.

On September 17, 2017 at 09:21 hours, Hilltown Police responded to the 3500 block of Bethlehem Pike for a vehicle crash involving an overturned vehicle. The operator was identified as John M Souder, 19, from the 100 block of Winterberry Drive, Perkasio, PA. During the investigation, suspected controlled substance was observed within his vehicle. The substance was seized and submitted for laboratory analysis. Souder was charged with Possession of Controlled Substance, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

## **Assault**

On September 8, 2017 at 19:34 hours, Hilltown Police responded to the 100 block of Oak Street for an assault. Investigation determined that a male subject identified as Francis Paglianite, 27, from the 100 block of Wenger Avenue, Silverdale, PA knocked another subject off of a long board (skateboard) and then punched, choked, and assaulted the male subject. The victim was also bitten by Paglianite's dog. The victim was transported to Grandview Hospital for treatment of his injuries. Paglianite was charged with Assault, Vaccination Against Rabies Required, Application for Dog Licenses, Confinement of Dogs, and Harassment.

## **Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and/or Controlled Substance**

On October 28, 2017 at 22:17 hours, Hilltown Police responded to Centennial Road for the report of an unconscious driver. Responding officers found the vehicle sitting in the roadway, running, with its head lights on, and the operator passed out behind the wheel. The operator was identified as Daniel J. Kelly, 36, from the 1800 block of Garth Street, Philadelphia, PA. Kelly displayed indications of controlled substance impairment and failed a series of field sobriety tests. Kelly was placed under arrest and transported for a blood test. Kelly was charged with Driving Under the influence of Controlled Substance, and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

On November 4, 2017 at 15:52 hours, Hilltown Police stopped a vehicle on Reliance Road, near Conestoga Way, for erratic driving. The driver was identified as William Denny Erickson, 65, from the 100 block of Reliance Road, Telford, PA. Erickson displayed indications of alcohol impairment and failed a series of field sobriety tests. Erickson was placed under arrest and transported for a blood test. Erickson was charged with Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol.

### **Fraud**

On June 08, 2017, Hilltown Police met with a resident who reported he was victimized by a phone scam. The resident reported that he was notified that he had won a \$150,000.00 prize through Walmart and Publisher's Clearing House. The caller further advised the resident to wire \$1,600.00 in tax money in order to collect the prize. Through a lengthy investigation, it was determined the money was wired to a Walmart Store located in Burlington, New Jersey and picked up by a female who eventually was identified as Olivia V. Cortez, 20, from the 500 block of Belmont Avenue, Southampton, PA. Cortez has been charged with Deceptive or Fraudulent Business Practices, Theft by Deception and Receiving Stolen Property.

### **Bad Checks**

On September 14, 2017, Hilltown Police met with a Walmart Loss Prevention Officer regarding a female patron passing bad checks. Investigation determined that on Sept 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, and 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017, a female identified as Frances Ann Villafuerte, 47, from the 1400 block of Avenel Blvd, North Wales, PA had passed numerous fraudulent checks for various retail items and gift cards totaling in excess of \$1,000.00. Villafuerte was charged with Bad Checks.

### **Harassment**

On November 13, 2017, Hilltown Police received a complaint from a resident advising they were being harassed by a subject sending threatening and obscene facebook messages to them. The harassing subject was identified as Christopher S. LaMarche, 46, from the 200 block of Mangers Mill Road, Pottstown, PA. LaMarche was contacted by Police and advised to stop his contact with and harassing the victim. LaMarche continued and was charged with Misdemeanor Harassment.

### **Accidents Involving Attended Vehicles**

On October 27, 2017 at 15:47 hours, Hilltown Police responded to Route 313 and Stump Road for the report of a two vehicle Hit and Run accident. Investigation determined that a vehicle, driven by Walter Varhley, 36, from the 200 block of Kathy Drive, Yardley, PA, had struck another vehicle in the intersection and fled the scene without stopping. Varhley was charged with Accidents Involving Attended Vehicles, Unsafe Movement and Passing on the Right, and Failing to Stop and Provide Information and Render Aid.