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On December 1, 2025 at approximately 5:10 pm, Johannes Zarzycki, age 69 of Morristown, was arrested on an outstanding warrant out of Point Pleasant Beach. He was released on his own recognizance by Point Pleasant Beach PD.

On December 4, 2025, a resident of Spring Floral Drive reported the theft of a package that occurred on November 12, 2025 at approximately 11:38 am. The resident reported that upon delivery of the item, someone signed for the package. To assist the investigation, residents in this area are requested to review their surveillance cameras. Any residents who may have seen anything of suspicion during this time frame are requested to contact the New Providence Detective Bureau at 908-665-1111.

On December 7, 2025 at approximately 4:01 pm, Othello Benson, age 41, of Berkeley Heights was arrested for resisting arrest, obstruction of the administration of the law, and assault on a police officer after his vehicle was stopped on Central Avenue for motor vehicle equipment violations. During the investigation, it was determined that Mr. Benson did not possess valid insurance and had a fraudulent, temporary license plate displayed on the rear of his vehicle. During the motor vehicle stop, Mr. Benson was disorderly and would not comply with officer commands. He attempted to delay his vehicle from being impounded and also placed himself in the middle of the roadway several times with the purpose of obstructing traffic. After numerous warnings to get out of the roadway, Mr. Benson resisted arrest and struck one of the officers on scene. Along with the criminal complaints, Mr. Benson was issued several motor vehicle summonses and was transported to the Union County Jail pending a Union County Superior Court date.

On December 13, 2025 at approximately 11:28 am, a resident of Pine Court reported being a victim of identity theft. The resident reported a credit card they did not apply for was opened in their name and when they went to freeze all of their accounts, they found a second credit card was fraudulently opened. The identity theft is currently under investigation by the New Providence Detective Bureau.

These charges are mere accusations. Every defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in a court of law.