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Police Log

First, a follow-up...

On Nov. 3, James Fleet was brought in for arraignment for felony larceny. He was wanted for stealing phones from the AT&T store, which was reported on Oct. 22. His bail was set at \$2,000.

Smacked around

On Nov. 19, Patrolman Joseph Salvatore was on patrol traveling northbound on Kilingly Street when he observed a white SUV travel southbound at a high rate of speed. He turned his cruiser around and pursued the vehicle until he was able to conduct a motor vehicle stop. Before Salvatore could approach the vehicle, the operator put the car in drive and took off at a high rate of speed.

Salvatore then followed the vehicle eastbound onto Hartford Avenue in Providence, then onto Ophelia Street, which is a dead end. The operator of the vehicle drove onto the lawn of one of the homes, exited, and ran into the backyard. Salvatore pursued him on foot, and radioed for backup. After watching the suspect throw something onto the ground, Salvatore was able to tackle to suspect and, after a brief struggle, placed him under arrest. The suspect was identified as Miguel Babbitt, Patrolman Brady and Patrolman Maddocks. Providence Police was notified via intercity radio channel.

Brady and Salvatore escorted Palavra down to the roadway and advised of his constitutional rights. As Brady held Palavra, Salvatore retrieved the discarded item, which was a brown substance in a clear plastic baggie. Salvatore secured the baggie in an evidence bag and Palavra was transported to headquarters by Maddocks.

Salvatore then returned to where the vehicle was discarded on Ophelia Street, and spoke with the homeowner about what transpired. When he opened the door to the vehicle, a strong odor of marijuana emanated from inside. Patrolman Viens and his K-9 Bono were called to the scene to search the vehicle. Bono indicated several locations in the vehicle where narcotics were once present, but none were located.

At headquarters, the brown substance tested positive

for heroin. Palavra was operating with a suspended R.I. drivers license, and was issued a citation for eluding police, driving with a suspended license, and driving in possession of a controlled substance. He will be criminally charged with possession of schedule I-V (heroin), driving with a suspended license, eluding police, resisting arrest and driving in possession of a controlled substance.

More than great coats

On Nov. 26, Sgt. Brian LeClair was doing a routine business check at Burlington Coat Factory on Atwood Avenue. After determining the front entrance was secure, he traveled to the rear of the building with his police cruiser and checked the rear entrances as well. At this time he noticed a male on the roof of a nearby refrigeration unit, and then to the ground. He then noticed another male sliding down the gas supply line that also came from the roof of the building. LeClair exited his cruiser, drew his firearm and ordered both subjects to get on the ground. After a brief hesitation, both individuals did as ordered. As LeClair approached one of the individuals, later identified as Leonel Rojas, he became fidgety and restless. He rose to his feet and then allegedly attacked LeClair with both arms, swinging with closed fist. As LeClair retreated, he reportedly began to lose his balance from being struck by Rojas. LeClair then began to strike Rojas in his arms with his flashlight. LeClair also observed the second individual, later identified as Rayder Medina, stand up and start to walk toward them. LeClair retreated further backwards and pointed his firearm toward Rojas, ordering him to get back down on the ground. At this point, both reportedly complied.

Other patrol units, including Patrolman Catamero, Patrolman Lemieux and Patrolman Scichilone arrived on scene and both suspects were taken into custody.

Each suspect was

wearing black gloves, a black mask and pair of safety glasses. Both suspects also had in their possession a two-way radio. Their clothing was covered with white dust that is consistent with drywall. A search of the immediate area in the rear of the building next to the suspects' location revealed two backpacks with assorted hand and power tools. A larger black duffel bag was also located in a corner. This bag contained several other hand tools, a power reciprocating saw, a power grinder and a can of black spray paint.

It appears that from evidence discovered on scene that the individuals gained entry into Kon's Asian Bistro by smashing the south-side window pane. Then they proceeded to break/cut through the north sheet rocked wall of that business, apparently with hopes of gaining entry into the office of Burlington Coat Factory. After gaining access through the interior wall in Kon's Asian Bistro, they entered a vacant suite. It appears that their intentions were to utilize hand and power tools to cut through the concrete block wall and enter the office of Burlington Coat Factory where the safe is located.

After determining that they would not be able to cut through the concrete block wall, police say it appears they exited the interior of the businesses and attempted to climb up onto the roof of the business, possibly to gain entry in that manner. It was at this time that LeClair drove from behind the building and observed them either climbing up or down from the roof.

Both suspects were transported to headquarters, processed and held pending further investigation by the Detective Division. As of this time, Rojas will be charged with breaking and entering into a business, attempted breaking and entering, possessing burglary tools, conspiracy, resisting arrest and simple assault. Rayder Medina will be charged with breaking and entering into a business, attempted breaking and entering, possession of burglary tools, and conspiracy.



Rescue Lt. Ryan Elmasian helps Johnston High School Assistant Principal Zachary Farrell to carry the Thanksgiving Day food baskets donated to needy high school families, as firefighter Cherra Wheeler, who coordinated the food collection, looks on.

Feeding the ranks

On Monday, Nov. 21, members of the Johnston Fire Department's four stations gathered at JFD headquarters to assemble Thanksgiving Day food baskets – enough to feed 14 needy families in the community this year, up from 12 last year. Each station collected specific items for the baskets and members also donated cash to purchase Stop & Shop gift cards for the purchase of fresh or frozen turkeys. Each basket was assembled in a reusable laundry basket, and the Thanksgiving Day fixings also came with a large aluminum cooking pan. Local businesses also contributed to the collection, for which the JFD offers their thanks: Baffoni's Poultry Farm, Expresso's Pizza, Bishop Hill Tavern, Luigi's Restaurant, Father & Son Deli, Na Nuova Pizza and Stop & Shop. The Moniz family of East Providence also made a personal donation, as they do each year, of an entire meal. The food collection was coordinated by firefighter Cherra Wheeler, on behalf of the department. Among the recipients of the baskets included families from Johnston High School, N. A. Ferri Middle School, S. D. Barnes Elementary School, Greater Rhode Island Baptist Temple and the St. Robert Bellarmine Church food pantry. All the baskets also included Happy Thanksgiving Day cards to the recipients. **Insider photo by Beth Hurd**

Stephen James Carcieri

Aug. 10, 1952 – Nov. 13, 2011

Stephen Carcieri, 59, of Smithfield and formerly of Johnston passed away unexpectedly last month. He was the son of the late Jerome and Angelina Carcieri (Ruggiano) whom he loved very much. He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Cindy Carcieri of Smithfield, three daughters – Melissa Russo of Johnston, Julie Carcieri of Smithfield and Ashley Carcieri also of Smithfield – three grandchildren Tyler Russo, Sara Crook and Brandon Crook whom he adored tremendously. Stephen grew up in Providence and graduated from Mount Pleasant High School. He worked with the family business C & C Engineering in Providence and became owner/operator until 2010 and he also worked for E.E. Weller Co. as a machinist for 18 years. The family wishes to thank everyone for their support during this time and he will be missed very much.



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