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5-1-2012 – A Borough resident reported that two of her rings were stolen from a Springfield Avenue nail salon on November 17th of 2011. The resident reported the theft of the rings after she learned of another active investigation into stolen jewelry from the same nail salon on 4-22-2012. The detective bureau is investigating the reports.

5-4-2012 – Patrols responded to a Springfield Avenue business on a report of a man requesting money to pay for a tow truck after his vehicle broke down. The employees became suspicious and denied the request and the man ran out of the business. The man was located on Springfield Avenue and through investigation it was determined that someone had driven the man to New Providence to collect money from people utilizing fabricated stories. The money was voluntarily returned to the victims. Peter Castaldo, 46, of Bayonne was charged with a borough ordinance violation and was released with a pending court date.

5-3-2012 – Patrols took a report from an elderly resident that indicated he was the victim of a scam. The resident received a check in the mail for \$2363.00 and instructions on how to claim a bigger prize. The check, which was fraudulent, was deposited into his bank account. The victim then withdrew money, as instructed, and sent \$1800 to two individuals in Canada via Western Union. The victim realized it was a scam when the bank called and advised him that the check he deposited did not clear. The detective bureau is investigating this case.

5-7-2012 – Patrols responded to Earl Place on a report of suspicious activity. During the investigation, a 17 year old, was taken into protective custody for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. The juvenile was charged with a pending court date at the Union County Family Court.

5-8-2012 – A report was made by an organization, that a bad check was utilized to purchase several hundred dollars worth of books at a sale that was being held in the Borough. The detective bureau is investigating the report.

5-9-2012 – The director of public works reported that someone had attempted to cut down a wooden sign at the entrance to Oakwood Park.

5-10-2012 – Detective Bubb charged Michael Arminio, 30, of Berkeley Heights with drug paraphernalia possession and littering. The charges stem from Detective Bubb observing Mr. Arminio discard numerous wax folds utilized to package narcotics out of his vehicle window. Mr. Arminio was released with a pending court date.

5-12-2012 – Patrolman Andrew Diamond charged Jonathon Kalkus, 26, of Rahway with driving while intoxicated and reckless driving. The charges stem from a motor vehicle stop on Springfield Avenue after Patrolman Diamond observed the vehicle operated by Mr. Kalkus approaching him from behind at a high rate of speed. Patrolman Diamond pulled his police vehicle to the side of the road to avoid being struck by Mr. Kalkus. Mr. Kalkus was released to a friend with a pending municipal court date.

5-12-2012 – Corporal Dennis Carovillano charged Jack Norman, 41, of Short Hills with driving while intoxicated, leaving the scene of an accident, failure to report a motor vehicle accident and reckless driving. The charges stem from investigation after a call from a concerned resident that stated that a vehicle was parked on Charnwood Road by Central Avenue with heavy damage and the driver was slumped over inside. Mr. Norman was transported to Overlook hospital.

5-13-2012 – Corporal Steven Opalewski located an intoxicated juvenile on Commonwealth Avenue at 1:00 am and was turned over to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Officer.

5-14-2012 – Patrols responded to CVS pharmacy on a report of an individual attempting to present fraudulent prescriptions. As the individual was being questioned about the prescriptions by employees, he ran out of the store. The detective bureau is investigating the report.

The New Providence Police will be accepting applications for substitute crossing guards. Applications can be picked up at the New Providence Police Department police desk.