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4-6-2013 – Patrolman Joseph DiParisi arrested Hakeem Stewart, 23, of Irvington with providing false information to a law enforcement officer and on an outstanding warrant out of Essex County. Mr. Stewart was a passenger in a vehicle that was stopped for equipment and moving violations on South Street. During the stop, Mr. Stewart provided a false name, date of birth and address to Patrolman DiParisi. After processing the arrest, Mr. Stewart was turned over to the Essex County Sheriff's Department.

4-6-2013 – The New Providence Police and Fire Department responded to a residence on Spring Floral Drive on a report of a fire in the residence. Upon arrival, other residences were evacuate and the fire was extinguished by the fire department. The fire appeared to have started from faulty outlet wiring in which a bedroom lamp was plugged. There were no injuries reported.

4-8-2013 – Patrols responded to Union Avenue on a report of a tractor trailer taking down power lines causing damage to several telephone poles and pulling an electrical service away from a residence. A witness identified a business name on the side of the trailer that had caused the damage and advised officers. Berkeley Heights Police located the truck on Snyder Avenue in Berkeley Heights a short time after the crash. Corporal Jason Labaska charged Gerald Lucas, 47, of Richmond, Virginia with careless driving, operating an overweight vehicle on Union Avenue, leaving the scene of a motor vehicle crash and failure to report a motor vehicle crash.

4-9-2013 – Patrolman Michael Hand charged Jonathan Newler, 34, of Westfield for providing false information to a police officer. The charges stem from Patrolman Hand responding to a Springfield Avenue parking lot on a report from Mr. Newler that someone had struck his vehicle and left the scene. Patrolman Hand proved the report and statements made by Mr. Newler to not be true. Mr. Newler was released with a pending court date.

4-11-2013 – Patrolman Joseph Parlapiano arrested Carol Robinson, 40, of Warren on an outstanding warrant out of New Providence. The warrant was located during a motor vehicle stop on South Street. She was also issued summonses for driving while suspended and failing to produce a valid insurance card. She was released after posting bail.

4-14-2013 – Patrolman Joseph DiParisi arrested Daniel Vandebos, 27, of New Providence on an outstanding warrant out of Trenton. The warrant was located during a motor vehicle stop on Central Avenue. He was also issued a summons for driving while suspended and failing to notify motor vehicle of an address change. He was released after posting bail.

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4-17-2013 – Patrolman Joseph DiParisi arrested Dorothena Barnes, 43, of Mountainside on an outstanding warrant out of West Orange. The warrant was located during a motor vehicle stop on Mountain Avenue for equipment violations. She was released after posting bail.

4-21-2013 – Patrols responded to a report from a citizen in regards to graffiti at several locations on Central Avenue and on Borough property between Maple Street and Division Avenue. The graffiti was in the roadway, signs, park benches, foot bridge and on a storm drainage ditch. A check of the area by officers, led to the discovery of graffiti on the Maple Street railroad bridge and the pedestrian tunnel at the New Providence Train Station. The graffiti occurred sometime after 6:00 PM on 4-20-2013 and 11:44 AM on 4-21-2013. The detective bureau is investigating the reports. If anyone has information on these acts of criminal mischief is encouraged to contact the New Providence Police Department at 908-665-1111.

4-22-2013 – Patrolman Joseph DiParisi arrested Christopher Friday, 32, of Newark on an outstanding warrant out of East Orange. The warrant was located during a motor vehicle stop on Glenside Road for equipment violations. He was released after posting bail.

4-22-2013 – At 7:20 PM, New Providence Police, Fire and Rescue Squad responded to a residence on Morehouse Place on a report of a fire in the kitchen. Officers arriving on scene observed smoke coming from the residence. The homeowner was able to put out a majority of the fire with a fire extinguisher that was in the residence. Officers and Fire Department members then completely extinguished the flames. The fire is believed to have been caused by a faulty dishwasher. The rescue squad treated a 13 year old female for possible smoke inhalation that was in the home at the time of the fire but was released on scene to her parents.