



NEWS RELEASE

Paul M. Tiernan, Chief of Police

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SUBJECT: Newark Police Arrest Elkton Man for Attempted Robbery

The Newark Police Department have arrested 34 year old Stephen C. Mattucci of Elkton, Maryland for two attempted robberies on October 9th, 2012.

At approximately 11:15pm on October 9th, the Newark Police responded to Choate Street for a report of an Attempted Robbery. Officers learned that two female victims, both 21 year old UD Students, were walking down Choate Street when a white Jeep Laredo traveling the wrong way on the street stopped. A white male, later identified as Mattucci, got out of the vehicle with a crowbar in hand and demanded their purses and wallets. Both victims fled without giving up their property and called police.

As officers were speaking with the two victims, a call came in of another attempted robbery in the unit block of New London Road with the same suspect and vehicle description. Officers responded to that incident and located Mattucci seated in a white Jeep Laredo parked in a UD parking lot directly across the street from the second robbery attempt. Officers learned that during this second incident a 24 year old male victim from Wilmington was seated in his vehicle when Mattucci approached the passenger side of his vehicle and asked for directions, to which the victim did not know. Mattucci then walked to the driver's window, broke out the window, and began to choke and strike the victim while demanding money from him. The victim was able to fight off Mattucci, drive away and call 911. The male victim sustained a cut lip and minor scratches to his face.

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Defendant: Stephen Mattucci (DOB: 06/27/1978)
88 River Road
Elkton, MD 21921

Charges: 3 cts Attempted Robbery
1 ct Possession of a Deadly Weapon During Commission of Felony (Tire Iron)
1 ct Criminal Mischief

Mattucci was committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institute in lieu of \$40,500 secured bail.

Anyone with additional information about this incident should contact Det. Fred Nelson at 302-366-7110 ext. 136 or frederick.nelson@cj.state.de.us You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.tipsubmit.com where a reward may be available.

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