



NEWS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SUBJECT: Avondale Man Arrested on Multiple Indecent Exposure Incidents

Newark Police and University of Delaware Police have arrested 39 year old Jason W. Grubbs of Avondale, PA for multiple incidents of Indecent Exposure dating back to June of 2011.

On Saturday evening, April 20th at approximately 10:45pm NPD received a call of a naked subject exposing himself to two females, age's 20 and 21 on Beverly Road near Sunset Road. At the time of the incident the victims were walking on Beverly Road when they observed a male with a shirt and no pants walking on the opposite side of the road and slapping his buttocks. The subject then fled between two homes. NPD and UDPD officers responded immediately to the scene and surrounded the area. While checking the area, an NPD and a UDPD officer observed a subject matching the description provided by the victims. The subject, who was now clothed, was seen emerging from trees at the corner of Beverly Road and Manns Avenue. Upon observing the officers, the subject fled on foot, however, he was quickly apprehended by the two officers when he attempted to climb a fence.

Investigators from NPD and UDPD have been attempting to identify and locate this subject, who has been linked to at least 16 similar incidents stemming back to 2011. The following is a synopsis of those incidents:

June 1st, 2011, 9:00pm: 27 year old female was walking in the area of Townsend Hall on UD Campus when she observed a naked male following her, staying close to a wooded area. When she turned toward the subject, he fled into the wooded area and disappeared. (UDPD)

June 16th, 2011, 9:30pm: 40 year old female was walking on South College Avenue adjacent to Townsend Hall when she observed a naked male in the wooded area on the UD Campus adjacent to South College Avenue. The victim fled the area on foot. (UDPD)

July 21st, 2011, 1:07pm: 23 year old female was walking in front of Worrilow Hall on the UD Campus when she observed a naked male exposing himself. The victim fled towards Townsend Hall and the subject fled into the wooded area between Worrilow Hall and South College Avenue. (UDPD)

October 4th, 2011, 8:45pm: 21 year old female was walking in front of Worrilow Hall on the UD Campus when she observed a naked male in the bushes between Worrilow Hall and South College Avenue. (UDPD)

December 1st, 2011, 10:46pm: 51 year old female was walking on Chrysler Ave at Cornwall Drive when she observed a white male wearing a jacket but no pants. The male who was touching himself in a lewd manner continued to walk behind the female who then ran away. (NPD)

March 22nd, 2012, 9pm: 56 year old female was walking in the 400 block of Nottingham Road when she observed a naked male standing in the front yard of a home. The subject then walked away and was last seen eastbound on Nottingham Road. (NPD)

March 22nd, 2012, 10:15pm: Two females, ages 18 and 19, were walking in the vicinity of Townsend Hall on the UD Campus when they observed naked male slapping his buttocks as he stood at the edge of the tree line between Townsend Hall and South College Avenue. The victims fled on foot. (UDPD)

April 15th, 2012, 8:55pm: 59 year old female was walking in the 300 block of Wilson Road when she observed a naked male. The male fled between homes and was later seen fully clothed running to a vehicle parked at the intersection of Wilson and Cheltenham Roads. (NPD)

April 15th, 2012, 9:30pm: Two females, ages 35 and 48, were walking on the sidewalk in the 100 block of West Park Place when they observed a male hiding in the bushes in the side yard of a residence. The subject then dropped his pants and exposed his buttocks to the pair. He then fled on foot. (NPD)

June 21st, 2012, 10:05pm: 21 year old female was walking in the 500 block of Nottingham Road when she observed a naked male walking through the front yards of homes. The male waved at the victim before fleeing behind trees. (NPD)

July 5th, 2012, 9:53pm: Three females, ages 43, 19, and 16 were walking southbound on South College Avenue adjacent to Worrilow Hall on the UD Campus when they observed a naked male standing in the tree line slapping his buttocks. The three fled on foot upon seeing the suspect. (UDPD)

July 19th, 2012, 12:05am: Two females, both 22 years of age, were walking in the unit block of Elkton Road when they observed a male subject standing with his pants down exposing his genitals. (NPD)

August 15th, 2012, 11:57pm: Subject captured on UDPD surveillance video removing clothing in the tree line between Townsend Hall and South College Avenue. (UDPD)

August 25th, 2012, 10:02pm: Two females, ages 23 and 24, were walking on the sidewalk of Orchard Road near West Park Place when they observed a naked white male walking behind them. The subject then fled on foot. (NPD)

October 4th, 2012, 12:53am: 19 year old female was walking in the 200 block of South College Avenue when she observed a naked white male standing in bushes and slapping his buttocks. (NPD)

Grubbs was arrested on 18 criminal charges stemming from 9 incidents in NPD jurisdiction. He was arraigned at JP Court #11 and released on \$1800 unsecured bond. Grubbs was then turned over to UDPD where he was arrested and arraigned on 16 additional charges stemming from 7 incidents on the UD campus. Grubbs was arraigned by UDPD at JP Court #11 and released after posting \$1600 secured bond.

Defendant: Jason W. Grubbs (DOB 02/27/74)
45 Sullivan Chase Drive
Avondale, PA 19311

NPD Charges: 13 cts Indecent Exposure 2nd Degree
1 ct Lewdness
1 ct. Criminal Mischief under \$1,000
1 ct Resisting Arrest
1 ct Possession of Marijuana
1 ct Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

UDPD Charges: 9cts Indecent Exposure 2nd Degree
1 ct Lewdness
6cts Criminal Trespass 3rd Degree

NPD and UDPD continue to investigate these incidents and are attempting to ascertain if Grubbs is connected to additional incidents.

Anyone with additional information about these incidents should contact Det. James Skinner of NPD at 302-366-7110 ext. 135 or james.skinner@cj.state.de.us or Det. Jay Protz of UDPD at (302) 831-4136 or jprotz@udel.edu . 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.

For inquiries regarding the NPD investigation please contact Lt. Mark Farrall, Public Information Officer at (302) 366-7110 x 125 or mark.farrall@cj.state.de.us .

For inquiries regarding the UDPD investigation please contact UD's Office of Communication and Marketing at (302) 831-2791 or Ud-ocm@duel.edu .

The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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