

## **Police: Teenager Sold Marijuana for \$40 at Pear Tree Point Beach**

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After an off-duty Darien police officer saw what he thought might be a drug sale at Pear Tree Point Beach, a Darien teenager was charged with possessing marijuana.

Darien police described what happened with this account, including accusations not proven in court:

At 6:22 p.m. on Monday, July 17, an off-duty Darien Police Officer notified headquarters that he observed what he believed to be a narcotics transaction occurring at Pear Tree Point Beach.

The officer heard the juvenile saying "I'm sitting on a gram" — a common phrase used by drug dealers indicating that they have drugs to sell. The officer gave a description of a vehicle connected to either the teenager or the person with whom the teen was talking.

A patrol officer saw the vehicle traveling south on Pear Tree Point Road and pull into the beach parking lot. Police later stopped the vehicle in the lot, but not before the teenager, a passenger in it, had gotten out.

The driver, an 18-year-old Darien man, told police that earlier that day the teenager sold him marijuana for \$40. He turned over the pot to police.

Police later confronted the teenager, who contacted his parents to come to the scene. He and his parents were told that the Darien police detective Youth Bureau would be in touch.

The driver of the vehicle was issued an infraction ticket charging him with possession of marijuana. The teenager was issued a juvenile summons charging him with selling marijuana.