

# Grand jury returns 13 indictments

Thirteen indictments returned by the Estill County Grand Jury on Tuesday, August 7 charged 14 individuals with felony offenses. Hobert Bradley "Brad" Hall, 40, of Autumn Court, Irvine was named in two separate indictments.

The first indictment charged him with two counts of possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense, and possession of a controlled substance, third degree.

It says on March 22, he had methamphetamine, hydrocodone, and clonazepam in his possession.

The indictment also charges him with trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense. The indictment says he had .307 grams of methamphetamine in his possession with the intent to sell.

KSP Trooper Carl Roark conducted the investigation.

The second indictment charges Hall with possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine), public intoxication - controlled substance, and tampering with physical evidence.

The indictment states that Hall concealed a baggie of methamphetamine in the back seat of IPD Officer Jason Conrad's cruiser on December 5.

Jeremiah Fox, 24, of Beattyville was indicted for first degree burglary.

The indictment states that he entered the residence of Mike and Rhonda Childers on Sept. 30 with the intent to commit a crime and while armed with a firearm.

KSP Trooper Ty Robinson investigated the burglary.

Jeffrey Lynn Gross, 53, of Plum Street, Irvine was indicted on two counts of trafficking in a controlled substance, second degree and first offense, trafficking in a controlled substance, third degree and first offense, and theft-receipt of a stolen debit/credit card.

According to the indictment, Gross possessed 22 suboxone pills, two suboxone

strips, and 61 xanax pills on June 13.

The indictment says the stolen card belonged to Gross' sister.

IPD Sgt. John Sturniolo was the investigating officer.

An indictment charges Ashley Newman, 26, address unknown with possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense, possession of marijuana, and drug paraphernalia.

The indictment states that she also possessed methamphetamine and rolling papers on May 31.

The investigating officer was KSP Trooper Ty Robinson.

Rodney Shane Hix, 41, of Hix Lane, Irvine was indicted for possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (heroin), tampering with physical evidence, and being a second degree persistent felony offender.

The indictment states that Hix threw a marlboro cigarette in the back of Trooper Roark's vehicle to conceal evidence on June 22.

Brandy Horn, 42, of River Drive, Irvine was indicted for criminal possession of a forged prescription, first offense and forgery of a prescription, first offense.

The indictment states that she altered a written prescription on February 26, 2013 which she attempted to use to obtain a controlled substance.

KSP Det. Doug Cole conducted the investigation.

Edward Lane "Eddie" Alcorn, 50, of S. Court Street, Irvine was indicted for sodomy in both the first and third degrees, unlawful transaction with a minor, and trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense.

According to the indictment, on Sept. 25, 2014, Alcorn used forcible compulsion to engage in deviate sexual intercourse with a minor under 18 years. It adds that he was a person in a position of authority or special

trust and came into contact with the juvenile victim as the result of his position.

The indictment says Alcorn assisted a minor to engage in illegal controlled substance activity involving Lortab. He was accused of selling Lortab.

Sgt. Sturniolo conducted the investigation.

Tangee Denise Turpin, 41, of Pea Ridge Road Irvine was named in a seven count indictment.

She was charged with three counts of trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense, wanton endangerment first degree, tampering with physical evidence, possession of marijuana, drug paraphernalia - buy/possess.

The indictment states that she sold methamphetamine on May 3 at 11 a.m. for \$60 and at 12:30 p.m. for \$80 to a confidential informant working for IPD. The transactions took place in a room where a juvenile was present, and the indictment says this created a substantial danger of death or serious physical injury to the juvenile.

On June 1, the indictment says that Turpin attempted to hide the methamphetamine to conceal evidence while possessing marijuana.

Also on June 6, the indictment states that Turpin had six syringes and two oxycodone with the intent to sell.

Sturniolo was the investigating officer. Jason M. Williams, 41, of Woodward Ridge, Ravenna was named in a seven count indictment.

His charges are criminal mischief first degree, criminal trespass second degree, failure to wear seat belts, no/expired Ky. registration receipt, no/expired registration plates, failure of non-owner to maintain required insurance and operating a motor vehicle under hte influence.

The indictment says that Wiliams wantonly damaged Margaret Salmon's gate on May 8, causing over \$2,000 in damage. It

also says he unlawfully remained on Salmon's fenced property.

The traffic violations also occurred on May 8 and were investigated by Trooper Zach Thompson.

Nathaniel M. Edmonson, 26, of McKee and Adam Matthew Estes, 22, of Crooked Creek Road, Irvine were named as co-defendants in an indictment. They were charged with theft by unlawful taking or disposition - all others over \$500.

According to the indictment, the men took a Stihl chainsaw valued at \$1,200 on May 9 which belonged to W.A. Kendall & Co., Inc.

Trooper Ty Robinson investigated the theft.

Michelle Lynn Ginter, 39, of Mt. Sterling and Brian Brewer, 40, of Clay City were named as co-defendants in a five county indictment.

Both were indicted for third degree burglary. The indictment states the couple entered the residence of William Wise on February 14 with the intent to commit a crime.

The indictment also charges Ginter with failure to wear seat belts, failure to produce insurance card, failure of owner to maintain required insurance, and operating a motor vehicle under the influence.

KSP Det. Toney Allen conducted the burglary investigation.

Susan Curry fka Susan Willis of Nunda, New York was indicted for custodial interference - felony.

The indictment says that since March 7 through the present, the defendant has kept a six year old child whose custody had been given by law to Judy and Jeffrey Oakes.

The offense is a Class D felony. If found guilty, Curry could be sentenced to serve from one to five years in prison and be fined.

Circuit Judge Michael Dean has ordered that she be held without a bond.

## IPD arrests Ravenna woman for selling meth multiple times to a confidential informant

A Ravenna woman was arrested by the Irvine Police Department on multiple drug trafficking charges last Wednesday.

A citation states that a confidential informant working for IPD contacted Mickie Sue Delucio, 50, of Poplar Street, Ravenna and set up a controlled buy. The confidential informant told Ms. Delucio that he was at a business in the area and wished to purchase methamphetamine.

According to the citation, the informant had made numerous successful controlled transactions with Delucio in the past.

She traveled to the business and was met with law enforcement in the parking lot. She denied any illegal drug involvement.

She told officers that she was there to give a friend's wife money to do laundry, but IPD said she had no coins or money in her possession.

The K-9 Fritz alerted on Delucio's vehicle, and she gave permission to search it.

She was transported to her residence by Chief Brad Smith after giving permission to have her residence searched.

Officers located three methamphetamine glass pipes, a butane lighter, five digital scales, plastic baggies, tongs, a bowl, \$50 cash and assorted coins.

Delucio was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine), tampering with physical evidence, and drug

paraphernalia - buy/possess.

IPD seized Delucio's 2015 Honda and is seeking forfeiture of it.

Three other citations charge her with trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine).

One citation states that on August 1, Delucio gave the confidential informant a baggie of a crystal substance to sample. It was taken to IPD where it was field tested positive for methamphetamine.

On August 7, a day before Delucio's arrest, a citation states that a confidential informant went to her residence and purchased 3.5 grams of methamphetamine for \$150 cash.

The same day, the confidential informant also pur-

chased \$60 worth of a crystal substance for \$60 from Delucio, according to the citation. It field tested positive for methamphetamine.

The citation adds the confidential informant discussed future transactions with Delucio for the purchase of heroin, methamphetamine, and pistols.

The transactions were video and audio recorded. IPD said one transaction showed Delucio packaging the methamphetamine and transferring it to the confidential informant.

She was arraigned in Estill District Court on August 10 and pleaded not-guilty to all charges.

Her bail has been set at \$50,000 cash.

Sgt. John Sturniolo conducted the investigation.

## Fight between Painters leads to one arrested

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A witness to the assault told police that Kirk was the aggressor. He beat West with his fists and feet.

The witness identified as Cameron Moore told police that West was knocked to the ground and was defenseless. Kirk allegedly continued the assault.

West was transported to Marcum & Wallace Hospital before being transferred to the University of Kentucky Hospital.

West's injuries were to his head, neck, and abdominal areas.

Kirk was charged with first degree assault, a felony. His bail has been set at \$7,500 cash. Kirk pleaded not-guilty on Monday during his arraignment in Estill District Court.

There were no students present at the school on Friday because the first day of class wasn't until Monday, August 13.

Charges could also be pending against West when he recovers from his injuries.

## Ravenna discusses danger of arsenic in veterans' park

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Mayor Tipton said that she had received a letter from CSX that stated they were working closely to transfer the property to the city of Ravenna and to ensure the safety of the park. Tipton also said that she had been told that the only time the arsenic was dangerous was if someone was digging at the park.

Van Cleve said that he had obtained a 158 page report from the Division of Waste Management that stated that the park had such a high level of arsenic as well as 8 other metals in the ground that it was not safe for industrial or residential use, meaning that a house or a factory could not be built on that property.

Tipton said that CSX plans on digging up one foot down throughout the park and replacing it with fresh topsoil. The report was released in February, however, Tipton said she did not notify council members or the public about the high volume of arsenic at the park because she was told that it was not harmful to anyone visiting the park. "I think people should

have been able to make their own decisions about taking their children to the park and having events there," stated Sharon Snowden.

City worker Ricky Williams addressed the council and said that there had been an incident that he wanted to address to the council. He said that when he was off the clock it was his personal time and he had the right to say and do as he pleased. He also said that he had spoken to an attorney about this situation and was told he could pursue the matter if he chose to do so. Williams went on to say that if any council members had requests for him to do something they were not to address him, they were to go through the mayor.

Williams' statements sparked a heated debate between Van Cleve and Snowden and Tina Johnson said that she thought this was a personal matter and should be discussed outside of the meeting. Van Cleve said that Williams was using the city's resources and time for his own personal gain. Tipton called the meeting back to order without any further discussion on the situation.

## Local Police Activity Report

- Jeremy Barnes**, 31, of Glory Street, Irvine was charged with possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine) on August 9.

He pled guilty during his arraignment August 10 and will return for a preliminary hearing on August 15.

- Zackery T. Jones**, 24, of Winchester Road, Irvine, was charged by IPD Officer Colton Lewis with rear license not illuminated, reckless driving, driving DUI suspended license, operating motor vehicle under influence, failure of owner to maintain required insurance, no registration plates, and possession of open alcoholic beverage container in motor vehicle.

Two bench warrants were also served on Jones from Powell and Estill District courts.

Jones allegedly failed to pay \$268 in Powell Co. after being found guilty of failure of owner to maintain required insurance and operating on suspended or revoked license in 2017.

Estill District Judge Wm. Leach says Jones failed to pay \$228 after being found

guilty of operating on a suspended or revoked license in 2017.

- Joshua Clyde Barnes**, 32, of Mt. Sterling was charged with failure to wear seat belts, operating motor vehicle under the influence, driving on a DUI suspended license, display or possession of cancelled or fictitious operator license, failure to surrender revoked operators license, possession of a controlled substance first degree and first offense, possession of a controlled substance second degree, prescription controlled substance not in proper container, and criminal trespass third degree.

Barnes was arrested August 7 on White Oak Road by Trooper Ty Robinson who was answering a complaint call.

Bail for Barnes has been set at \$1,000 cash of which 10% may be posted.

- Two Estill Circuit Court bench warrants were served on **Jonathan F. (John) Harrison** on August 10 by IPD Officer Jason Conrad.

Harrison, 33, lives on Broadway.

He failed to pay a fine on 2017 charges. Bail was set

at \$195 and \$335 in the two cases.

- Edward Leo Davis**, 59, of Sandhill Road, Irvine was charged with theft by unlawful taking or shoplifting on August 9 by Officer Lewis.

- Jonah A. Lainhart**, 34, of Wisemantown Road, Irvine was charged with driving on a DUI suspended license, reare license not illuminated, and resisting arrest on August 9 by Officer

Lewis.

- William G. McKinney**, 41, of Bobby Miller Road, Irvine, was charged with one headlight, reckless driving, and operating a motor vehicle under the influence on August 8 by Officer Lewis.

The officer also served a bench warrant on McKinney from Estill District Court. The warrant says McKinney filed to sign up for MCR. No bail was set.

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