

Young adults in wreck will be charged with receiving stolen property

The names of two young men injured in a traffic accident on Spout Springs Road on Wednesday, July 9 have been released.

Deputy Russell "Doc" Morris said that a 2010 Ford Fusion was parked in the east bound lane of Spout Springs Road at the intersection of Cooper Drive.

Robert Walters, the driver of a 2008 Chevy Aveo, told the deputy that he did not see the vehicle stopped in the roadway at 4:52 a.m. nor did he see any lights.

A passenger in the Fusion, Brandon Crabtree, 22, of Stanton, had gotten out of the vehicle and was standing in front of the trunk. Walters' vehicle rear-ended the Fusion and struck Crabtree.

The driver of the Fusion, Brianna P. Haddix, 22, of Stanton, stated that she had stopped so that Brandon Crabtree could get a CD out of the vehicle's trunk.

Road signs from Lee, Estill, Powell and

Jackson counties were reportedly found in the vehicle's trunk. The report states that Deputy Morris did not find any CDs in the trunk.

Walters, 19, of Old Fox Road, Irvine, was injured. A family member said he received a broken foot and other minor injuries.

Crabtree, 22, of Stanton, reportedly received two broken legs when he was struck by Walters' vehicle.

Haddix and three other passengers did not report any injuries. The three passengers were identified as Mindy Horn, 21, of Stanton, Joe Meadows, 19, of Clay City; and Ashley Spencer, 19, of Lexington.

Both vehicles were severely damaged.

Charges are pending in connection with this accident. Morris plans to charge Haddix, Crabtree, Horn, Meadows, and Spencer each with receiving stolen property (the county road signs). Crabtree is also facing a charge of alcohol intoxication.



Children in "The Red Bench" were Addie Adkins, Emily Hayes, Keleigh Newcomb, Aiden Owens and Dakota Owens.



The cast of "Ya Reckon?" were Keleigh Newcomb, Dakota Owens, Jacob Harris (voice offstage), Kaylee Barnes, Gavin Holloway, and Aiden Owens.



"The Silly Detective" was acted out by Liz Walters, Leah Horn, and Candice Bailey.

Local Police Reports

Teresa Crowe of Crooked Creek Road, Irvine reported criminal mischief to the sheriff's office on July 12.

The report states that a known person punched the front windshield out of Crowe's vehicle, a 2001 Ford ZTS sedan. The estimated cost of the damages is \$500.00.

David A. Walters of Sandhill Church Road reported a theft from his storage building on July 15. A Troy Bilt rear tire mower was taken. It is valued at \$1,300.

Wendell Brandenburg, owner of Stop & Shop on Richmond Road, reported a theft by unlawful taking or disposition/shoplifting under \$500 on July 20. A known person stole \$60.00 worth of ribeye steaks. The store has video footage of the theft. An arrest is expected to be made shortly.

Donnie Crouch of Riddell-Clem Road, Irvine reported a theft by unlawful taking or disposition under \$500.

Crouch told Deputy Josh Rison that he came home and found his back door open. An x-box and controller valued at \$150 were taken from his living room.

On July 18, Robin Rison of Wiseman Crossing, reported a theft had occurred to a horse trailer kept at the Estill County Fair Grounds. The trailer was broken into and two horse bridles were taken. The trailer was also damaged.

The above cases are being investigated by Deputy Josh Rison. Anyone with information may contact the sheriff's office at 723-2323 during business hours or 723-2201 after hours.

One injured in wreck on Wagersville

A young Irvine woman was injured when her vehicle left Wagersville Road early last Tuesday, July 15.

A report in the sheriff's office says that Kayla Goosey, 21, of Cherry Street, Irvine was traveling up Wagersville Road when she apparently lost control of her vehicle as it rounded a curve.

The report adds the 1999 Chevy Prizm skidded to the right and went into a ditchline. The impact caused the car to strike a rock.

KSP arrests 1 for trafficking

An Estill man was arrested July 14 by Kentucky State Police on a drug trafficking charge.

The arrested man was identified as Samue Lucas Riddell, 32 of Rogesr Lane,

Irvine.

The warrant was obtained by Captain Adrian McKinney of the Irvine Police Department. It charges Riddell with trafficking in a controlled substance first degree.

Captain McKinney says that on January 31, 2014, Riddell sold a 30 mg percocet to a confidential informant for \$40.00. The warrant says the transaction was monitored by the Irvine Police Department and the informant was wired with audio and video surveillance equipment.

Riddell's bond was set at \$7,500 cash.

He pleaded not guilty to the charged during his arraignment on July 16. A preliminary hearing was scheduled for Monday in Estill District Court.

Arrested for Forgery

An Estill man has been arrested on three counts of second degree forgery.

Cody Tyler Berryman, 25, of Dark Hollow Road, was arrested July 16 by Deputy Doc Morris.

The citation states that Berryman forged three checks on an account belonging to Dustin Arvin.

The checks were written for \$225, \$165, and \$125 between June 14 and 15, 2014.

Deputy Morris said that Berryman has admitted to forging the checks.

Three charged with forgery

Three people were charged July 16 in connection with checks forged on an Estill County man.

Bekki Hoover, 31, of Cow Creek Road, Robert Arthur Saller, 51, of Sandhill Road, and Misty D. Wilson, 33, of Church Street, Irvine were each charged with two counts of criminal possession of a forged instrument, second degree.

The citation says that Hoover cashed a forged check for \$280 on July 9 and one for \$200 on July 10.

The investigating officer, Deputy Doc Morris, said that Saller cashed a forged check on July 9 for \$250 and another on July 10 for \$200.

Wilson reportedly cashed a forged check for \$100 on June 19 and another one for \$100 on July 9.

Court records identify the victim as A.J. Winkler. The citations state that Winkler did not write or sign any of the checks cashed by Hoover, Saller, or Wilson.

Veterans Post

by Freddy Groves

Burial Benefit Just Got Easier

As of July 2014, surviving spouses no longer need to apply for burial benefits after the death of a veteran. It used to be that survivors had to submit receipts and forms after the burial of a veteran, and then wait for the reimbursement check. The amounts were small: \$300 for a non-service-connected death, and \$2,000 if it was service-connected.

Now, as the Department of Veterans Affairs tries to cut back on the number of claims it processes, the authorized amounts will be paid automatically once it's notified of a veteran's death. Unfortunately, the amounts will remain the same.

The veteran still will be eligible for other benefits. A headstone (granite or marble) or marker (granite, marble, bronze) will be provided at no cost, but there is likely to be a cost for placement if it's not a national cemetery. A medallion can be provided to attach to a headstone that was privately purchased at a civilian cemetery. For questions or to check status of headstone applications, you can call 1-800-697-6947. Survivors also can apply to receive a keep-

sake burial flag.

This year, the VA estimates it will pay the benefit to 62,000 surviving spouses. If you're a surviving spouse, a funeral director will typically take on the task of notifying the VA and Social Security, but don't take that for granted. Ask

To find the nearest VA state or national cemetery, go online to www.cem.va.gov. You'll find more information about burial benefits and eligibility for burial in a national VA cemetery. To reach the National Cemetery Scheduling Office, call 1-866-900-6417. Call 1-800-535-1117 for follow-ups.

A printable .PDF file of information about national cemeteries can be found at the above Web address. Look for IS1_Jan_2011.pdf.

Freddy Groves regrets that he cannot personally answer reader questions, but will incorporate them into his column whenever possible. Send email to columnreply2@gmail.com.

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