

## Drug Trafficking Arrests

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The citation states that a confidential informant arranged to make the controlled drug buy from Mrs. Estes. She met the confidential informant around 8:51 p.m. in the parking lot and sold that person two 80 mg oxycodone and four clonazepam.

Mr. Estes was charged with the same offenses as his wife for that reported controlled buy. The citation states that Mr. Estes drove his wife to Shell Mart where the drug transaction occurred.

A confidential informant allegedly set up a buy with Mr. Estes on August 14 and met the husband and wife at the Price Less parking lot around 7:50 p.m.

The citation states that Mr. Estes was outside the car, and the confidential informant got in the car with Mrs. Estes. Sgt. Gross says Mr. Estes sold two 80 mg oxycodone to the confidential informant for \$80.

Both Pamela and James Estes were charged with trafficking in a controlled substance within 1000 feet of a school and trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense.

## 1 receives injuries in side swipe accident

One person was reportedly injured during when two vehicles were involved in a sideswipe collision on the Winchester Road on Friday afternoon.

The wreck occurred about six miles from Irvine around 1:03 p.m.

The two vehicles involved were a 1997 Toyota and a 2004 Buick Rendezvous. They were traveling in opposite directions.

Deputy Randy Farthing said that Brian Leckliter of Lakeland, Florida was driving the Toyota. He told the

deputy that he saw a glass bottle in his lane of travel and swerved to miss it.

Farthing said this caused Leckliter to enter the opposite lane of travel. The mirrors of the two vehicles were sideswiped.

The driver of the Buick, Arleen Tuttle of Rose Ridge Road, Irvine, was transported by ambulance to Marcum & Wallace Hospital for treatment of minor injuries.

No injuries were reported by Leckliter and his two passengers.

## Police Activity Report

### Alcohol Intoxicaton

A Ravenna man was arrested for alcohol intoxication and other charges on Sixth Street on Sunday, August 24 by Irvine Officer John Sturniolo.

The Irvine officer said he was dispatched to Ravenna to investigate an assault complaint.

He arrested Jesse Snowden, 54, of Elm Street and charged him with alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, and menacing.

Sturniolo said that Snowden was highly intoxicated, was staggering, and began yelling profanities.

He added that Snowden kept challenging him by putting his face into Sturniolo's face, and made remarks to the officer.

Officer Sturniolo said the victim identified Snowden as the man who had assaulted him.

The officer stated that Snowden continued to be disorderly and using profane language at the Estill County Jail.

### Arrested on Warrant

A Sandhill woman was arrested Friday, August 29 on a warrant which accuses her of causing public alarm.

The warrant was obtained by Irvine Officer John Sturniolo, and the alleged event occurred a month and two days earlier on July 27.

According to the warrant, Shirley Kirby, 66, of Sandhill Road, went to the residence of Amber Crouch at 719 Broadway and cursed Ms. Crouch.

Crouch reportedly asked Kirby to leave, but Kirby failed to leave Crouch's residence.

The warrant states that Kirby continued to yell at Crouch, while threatening to physically harm her. It said that Kirby attempted to make physical contact with Crouch and had to be restrained.

Kirby is charged with criminal trespass third degree, disorderly conduct sec-

ond degree, menacing, and terroristic threatening third degree. The charges are all misdemeanors.

### Bench Warrants

A bench warrant from Circuit Judge Tom Jones was served on William A. Cromer, 21, of Turpin Drive, Irvine on August 29 by Chief Brad Smith.

Cromer had been released from custody after being charged with carrying a concealed weapon, menacing, possession of marijuana, and promoting contraband, first degree.

The bench warrant states that Cromer violated the conditions of his release on those charges by testing positive for hydrocodone on August 13, 2014.

No bond was set for Cromer.

A bench warrant was served on Ricky Hobbs, 28, of 510 Cantrill Street, Irvine on August 28 by Chief Smith.

The bench warrant was issued by District Judge William Leach citing that Hobbs had failed to appear for a pre-trial conference.

Hobbs had been charged with public intoxication of a controlled substance, disorderly conduct second degree, and menacing.

No bond was set for Hobbs. He must pay a \$30.00 service fee.

Chief Smith served a bench warrant August 28 on Jonathan F. Harrison, 277 Broadway.

The warrant was signed by District Judge William Leach because Harrison had failed to pay \$153.00.

The warrant states that a charge of improper registration plate was merged with operating on suspended or revoked license and failure of owner to maintain required insurance.

The judge said that Harrison could be released from custody after posting a bond of \$183.00.



Marsha Porter got "religion" from the Mississippi Squirrel during a pantomime show and dinner at the Irvine Lodge on August 24.



Kathy's Clown gave an excellent pantomime and she brought the audience to laughter while clowning around with a married man in the audience.

# RE-ELECT RODNEY G. DAVIS ESTILL COUNTY ATTORNEY



When I first ran for County Attorney I made some very basic promises to the citizens of Estill County. I promised I would serve in a competent and professional manner, that I would maintain Saturday office hours, that I would regularly attend Fiscal Court meetings, that I would attend Court to give victims of crime a voice in the courtroom and not allow criminal cases to be dismissed for the failure of the Commonwealth to produce evidence in a timely manner, that I would represent the County in civil matters and that I would collect taxes and child support as required by law. Finally, I promised I would remain active in the community and volunteer my time where needed.

I believe if you review my record you will find that I have kept my promises. Over the next couple of months I hope to show you the things that we have accomplished and the innovative programs we have created to deal with the problems facing Estill County. These are just a few of the examples:

- Our latest DUI conviction rate is 91.1%. Prior to my taking office the conviction rate was 66.7%. Since I have been in office this conviction rate has averaged 90%.
- We have filed answers in every civil case where the county was named as a defendant and was properly served including more than 240 cases involving delinquent taxes. As a result we have collected over 2.5 million dollars in delinquent taxes that help support our schools, libraries and other taxing districts.
- No criminal cases have been dismissed in district court for the failure of the Commonwealth or prosecutor to produce the required evidence.
- We have collected over \$190,000.00 in cold checks and paid merchants almost \$32,000.00 in merchant fees for cold checks.
- We have aggressively prosecuted defendants that violated the terms of their plea agreements by filing over 575 motions to revoke probation or conditionally discharged jail time.
- Our office has been on call 24 hours, seven days a week for law enforcement to obtain search warrants, emergency mental health warrants or to simply ask for direction on a particular issue.
- Our office is open every Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. to allow citizens an opportunity to do business outside of the normal work week.

Additionally, I think I have shown a willingness to be innovative in creating programs to deal with pressing issues in our county. I have instituted several programs that I believe have been successful in helping to solve various problems.

- We teamed with Westcare, the Fiscal Court and Judicial system to create a day reporting program for defendants in an effort to avoid the expense to the county of incarcerating defendants with substance abuse issues. The program requires each defendant to report daily for intensive therapy and to work in the community projects set-up by Westcare. It has been a very successful program with a graduation rate exceeding fifty percent. Several other counties in the state have looked to our program as a model for their own communities.
- We established an insurance diversion program to monitor defendants charged with driving without insurance. Over 600 defendants have been enrolled in this program and this has saved both the defendants and the county thousands of dollars in both fines and incarceration expenses. Most importantly, it means that the majority of these defendants had insurance while driving their vehicles on our roads during the time of their diversion.
- We established a delinquent tax payment program where persons with delinquent taxes can set up a payment plan to pay their taxes and avoid foreclosure of their property. To date we have had over 175 tax agreements that have been maintained.
- We were instrumental in establishing the ewarrants system in Estill, Lee and Owsley Counties. This program makes it possible for law enforcement and the judicial officers to obtain warrants from an online database and to electronically sign warrants when needed. Our office serves as the jurisdictional administrator of the ewarrants program for these three counties.
- We established a truancy diversion program to assist the school district with problems related to truancy.

While no person is perfect, I have made every effort to treat each and every person fairly and with respect. If re-elected I will continue to work hard for the citizens of Estill County and continue to seek new and innovative ways to provide services in my office. I ask for your support and for your vote on November 4, 2014.

Thank you.

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