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Couple struck by car

An Irvine resident is arrested after striking a couple with his vehicle Monday morning.

William P. Tipton, 21, of Clearview Drive, Irvine, was looking for William Teany because he thought Teany had broken into his father's business, wrote IPD Captain Adrian McKinney.

Around 10:30 a.m., a citation says Tipton saw Teany walking on Turner Avenue with Amber Crouch. He stopped his vehicle, a tan 2006 Chevy, in the road. Then he gunned the engine and drove toward the couple. McKinney said they attempted to get out of the car's path, but it struck both of them. Neither was seriously injured.

Tipton's vehicle then left the roadway and struck a tree, McKinney stated. Tipton got out of the vehicle with a baseball bat. He chased Teany and Crouch into a house on the corner of Hood and Turner Avenues while threatening them with the bat.

McKinney said that Tipton failed the number count and showed HGN. The officer stated that Tipton admitted to smoking marijuana earlier in the day. Blood was drawn from Tipton at Marcum & Wallace Hospital. Tipton's Chevy was towed.

Tipton was charged with wanton endangerment, first degree, driving under the influence of drugs, and reckless driving.

Crouch, 28, was arrested on a bench warrant issued by Estill Circuit Judge Tom Jones.

The warrant states that Crouch failed to appear for a bond surrender hearing in circuit court after she was charged with two counts of trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense.

Merged Governments?



Voters in Irvine and Ravenna will go to the polls Nov. 4 to decide if they want merged government. Above is Main Street of Ravenna. Most buildings in Ravenna are occupied, while the reverse is true for downtown Irvine.

Voters to decide on city merger

by DELORES ROWLAND
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Voters in Irvine and Ravenna will be going to the polls on election day to decide if the governments of the two cities will merge.

If both cities vote to merge, it will not take effect immediately. The question on the ballot says the two governments would be called the city of Irvine, but most residents of Ravenna do not want to give up their city's name.

Irvine Mayor Ernest Farmer said if the voters approve the merger, a committee will be appointed. This committee can choose the name for the merged government.

A possible suggestion is Irvine - Ravenna Merged Government, which could be known by its letters IRMG.

Other suggestions are using part of each city's name for the new merged government. Irvenna was used for the twin cities by WIRV Radio when the station went on air. Another suggestion is taking the first three letters of Ravenna and the last three of Irvine to come up with Ravine. Ironically, this is the meaning of Ravenna.

These names are for the merged government only. Ravenna would still be known as Ravenna, and Irvine would still be Irvine.

General Green Clay donated 20.5 acres to start Irvine in 1812. The city was named in honor of Colonel William Irvine of Madison County. It was incorporated as a 4th class city in 1829.

In 2010, Irvine's population was 2,715.

Ravenna was a town planned by L&N Railroad in 1920. The city was named by an Italian crew foreman after his birthplace, Ravenna, Italy. Ravenna became a 5th class city in 1924.

According to latest census records, Irvine had a median income of \$20,286. Ravenna's median income was \$30,583.

Irvine has 24 hour police protection with six full time officers. Ravenna has a police chief and part time police officer. The School Resource Officer works for Ravenna when school is not in session.

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Police continue arrests of alleged drug dealers

The Irvine Police Department is continuing their war against suspected drug dealers with two more arrests made on Thursday, Oct. 16.

The first arrest was made around 2:30 p.m. on River Drive by Police Chief Brad Smith.

He arrested James H. Hobbs, 27, of High Street, Irvine on charges of trafficking in a controlled substance, second degree and first offense, and being a persistent felony offender in the second degree.

The citation states that Hobbs had sold a suboxon to a cooperating witness two days earlier.

The citation adds the cooperating witness was wired with audio and video recorders. It also states that during the transaction, the witness was monitored by police officers.

Chief Smith says that Hobbs is on probation and parole from a felony case in Madison County.

Around 11:43 p.m. Thursday, Captain Adrian McKinney arrested Vania Maelee Holland at her residence, 120 Riddle-Clem Road, Irvine.

Holland, 50, is also known as Maelee Kirby.

The citation says that Holland sold a suspected 30 mg oxycodone to a confidential informant on October 14.

The transaction reportedly took place at Holland's residence and was recorded on both audio and video.

McKinney charged Holland with trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense.



James H. Hobbs



Maelee Holland

Engineers & Lady Engineers Soccer Teams Win Districts

The Estill County Engineers boys and Lady Engineers girls soccer teams both won their respective championships in the 54th District last Thursday night in Irvine. Estill's girls easily defeated the Breathitt County Lady Kats, 10-0, in a mercy rule called contest. The Engineers played Powell County's first year program for the third time this year and had to go into overtime to win on penalty kicks, 2-1. The Lady Engineers lost in regionals on Monday night, 3-2, to host Perry County Central on penalty kicks. The Engineers boys soccer team was playing Letcher County Central in Hazard on Tuesday night after press time.



The Estill County Lady Engineers Girls Soccer Team -- 2014 54th District Champions



The Estill County Engineers Boys Soccer Team -- 2014 54th District Champions

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