

# Local Police Activity Report

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Sheriff Chris Flynn served a bench warrant Jan. 13 for failure to appear on **Megan West**, 24, of Trotting Ridge Road, Irvine.

A mother and daughter were each charged with second degree disorderly conduct by Sheriff Flynn on Jan. 24.

The citations state that the sheriff's department has responded to the apartment of Theresa Cornett numerous times, and the neighbors repeatedly call about the mother and daughter arguing in the apartment.

The sheriff said he heard the two arguing before he knocked on the door.

The women's citations state they continued to argue after the sheriff asked them to stop.

Arrested were **Tisha Cornett**, 35, and **Theresa Cornett**, 54.

**Lorrie Mays**, 48, of Lincoln Avenue was arrested Jan. 16 by Deputy Chris Coffey. He received a call that a female was shoplifting in Dollar General.

The citation states that Coffey recovered \$166.67 in merchandise from Mays, including food, clothing, jewelry, lotions, etc. Mays was charged with theft by unlawful taking, disposition or shoplifting.

Coffey served a bench warrant on **Malea Combs**, 36, of Rice Station Road, Irvine.

He served a bench warrant on Diana Jones, 48, of Stacy Lane on Jan. 17.

Sheriff Flynn served a bench warrant on **Monica Neal**, 29, of Flinchum Road on Jan. 23 for failure to appear in court for an arraignment.

**Alisha Walters**, 36, as served with four bench warrants from Madison District Court on Jan. 20 by Sheriff Flynn. Bonds on three of the warrants were set at \$500, \$168.03 and \$222.18 cash.

**Delbert Estes**, 64, of Walnut Grove Road was arrested Jan. 20 by Deputy Smith on a warrant for receiving stolen property under \$500, a misdemeanor.

The warrant had been obtained by Sheriff Flynn after a victim reported that his tree stand and trail camera had been stolen from his property on Richmond Road between Nov. 1-11, 2019.

The victim said he saw the tree stand at Estes' home which he believed was his. Flynn obtained a search warrant and executed it at Estes' residence.

The citation states the sheriff recovered a Comfort Glo gas heater which matched the description of one which

the victim had reported stolen.

**Daniel Bowling**, 48, of Church Street, Irvine was charged with fleeing and evading police, second degree (on foot) on January 28 by Officer Sam Hensley.

The citation states that Hensley accompanied Kentucky Probation and Parole to 116 Church Street to arrest someone who had absconded parole.

As the probation officer knocked on the door, the Irvine Officer said he observed a male run out the back to the house next door (114 Church Street).

Hensley yelled, "police" and ordered the male to stop. The man kept running across the back yard, through an adjacent lot, and onto Broadway.

He caught up with the man and handcuffed him. He identified himself as Bowling.

Hensley was told that Probation and Parole had an absconder warrant from their office.

Officer Hensley served a warrant from Madison County on Bowling for failure to appear.

An Estill arrest warrant was served January 30 by Officer Stewart Morris on **Jeremy R. Gordon**, 33, of Pea Ridge Road, Irvine for non-payment of court costs, fees, or fines.

**Timmy Bishop**, 27, Noland Court, Irvine was served with an Estill arrest warrant January 30 by Officer Morris for non-payment of court costs, fees or fines.

A warrant from Estill District Court was served on **Stevie Rose**, 51, of Red Lick Road, Irvine on January 31 by Deputy Chris Coffey.

A criminal summons from Madison District Court was served on **Nicholas Kyle Puckett**, 37, of Noland Creek Road, Irvine on January 16 by Sheriff Chris Flynn.

The summons charges Puckett with theft by deception including cold checks under \$500.

The criminal summons was obtained by Dee Patel of Marathon/Bybee Food Mart where Puckett allegedly cashed a check for \$25.27. The total now owed according to court documents is \$125.27. Puckett was scheduled to appear in court on February 3.

**Diana Jones**, 47, of Irvine was charged with first degree criminal trespassing on January 30 by Deputy Coffey.

She was reportedly found in the basement of a Stacy Lane residence

where she has been ordered to stay away from.

**Tobie Kirby**, 37, of Riddell Cemetery Road, Irvine was served January 30 with two warrants, one each from Madison and Estill District Courts, on January 30 by Deputy Coffey.

An Estill District Court bench warrant was served January 30 on **Joshua B. Agee**, 38, of Richmond by Court Security Officer Josh King. The warrant says that Agee has failed to appear on seven traffic related charges and possession of marijuana. No bail was set.

**Pamela S. Childers**, 50, of Jackson was served with a bench warrant January 30 by Officer King for failure to pay (fines, fees, and or court costs). She was in court for operating a motor vehicle under the influence. Her bail was set at \$258 cash by Judge Wm. Leach.

**Tabitha Smith**, 36, of 8th Street, Ravenna was served with a criminal summons for Estill Circuit Court by Deputy Brad Smith.

Court Security Officer Glenn Carroll served an Estill warrant on **Malea Combs**, 36, of River Drive, Irvine on January 28. Combs allegedly has absconded from rehab.

**Robin L. Riddell**, 51, of James West Way, Irvine was served with a warrant from Madison District Court by Deputy Smith.

**Jimmy Lee Draggoo**, 57, of Wall Street, Irvine was arrested by Kentucky State Police on February 1.

He was charged with theft of motor vehicle registration plate, possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense, public intoxication of a controlled substance (excludes alcohol), resisting arrest, possession of marijuana, and drug paraphernalia -- buy/possess.

The citation states that a KY registration plate was taken from a junked vehicle and put onto a vehicle that it did not belong on. The VIN number did not match the registration number.

It adds the truck was sitting in plain view at Oak Tree Inn. The citation identifies Draggoo as the truck's owner.

During the arrest, the troopers found a clean baggie containing a clear crystal substance, which appeared to be meth, marijuana, and a grinder.

**Daniel Ridell**, 43, of Steveland Court, Irvine was arrested February 2 at a traffic safety check point on KY 499 bypass.

He told police he did not have a KY drivers license, and a female passenger in the middle of the truck seat was not wearing a seat belt.

Ridell reportedly failed field sobriety tests. The trooper found three glass pipes and a foil wrapper with powder inside which appeared to be methamphetamine.

Ridell was charged with operating on a suspended or revoked license, failure to wear seat belts, failure to produce insurance card, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs, possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine) and drug paraphernalia -- buy/possess.

Sheriff Flynn arrested 45 year old **Wendy Edmonson** of Winchester Road, Irvine on February 1 and charged her with possession of a controlled substance, first degree and second offense.

Flynn had arrested Edmonson on an Estill Circuit Court warrant. She allegedly had a piece of paper folded up with a brown powder inside. The citation states that Edmonson said it was heroin.

Sheriff Flynn arrested **Jennifer Pryor**, 36, of Trotting Ridge Road, Irvine on January 28 for possession of a handgun and a firearm by a convicted felon.

He had gone to Pryor's residence to assist Probation and Parole. A male answered the door and told parole officers that Pryor was not there.

The citation states that Pryor was found hiding under a bed in the rear bedroom of the residence.

Flynn said there was a loaded 20 gauge shotgun and a muzzleloader in the bedroom in an unsecured gun cabinet.

A Smith and Wesson Bodyguard 38 special pistol in a holster was reportedly hanging on the wall in the kitchen. A 12 gauge shotgun and a 22 caliber were on the front porch and were also loaded.

Flynn said that Pryor was on probation, and one of her parole conditions was that she was not to be in possession of any firearms.

Pryor was arraigned January 29 in Estill District Court. She pled not-guilty. She will return to court on February 7 for a preliminary hearing.

Her bond has been set at \$5,000 cash.

## OIG is VA's Watchdog

VETERANS POST  
by Freddy Groves

Since 2012, the Office of Inspector General for the Department of Veterans Affairs has saved us \$1.4 billion. They do this by showing up unannounced to do inspections, audits, reviews, assessments or investigations. They scrutinize paperwork, conduct interviews and get to the bottom of what's going on.

The recent inspection of a facility estimated that the VA was about to spend \$261 million over the next five years on sleep apnea devices that veterans weren't using. Veterans were given the devices and only half were being used, with no staff follow-up.

The OIG recommendation was to loan the devices to veterans instead and keep track of the usage. This move is expected to save \$39 million per year for the sleep apnea devices and \$12 million per year for the supplies.

The VA has been spending \$450 million, split between four vendors, on contracts for medical and surgical supplies on the East coast. Because supplies of this nature must be delivered on time every time, the OIG dug around to see if anybody in the VA was keeping an eye on what was being delivered. In addition, the supplier was to report monthly about the order fulfillment levels. So what did the OIG discover: that nobody in VA was watching and the vendors were using funny math to report their deliveries. Correct orders only were received 40% of the time. This calculated to \$16.8 million in incorrect payments made to vendors in one year.

The OIG also looked at undelivered orders in a different investigation. Specifically, had prices changed between ordering and the delivery? Were the items still needed? Should the orders be canceled? Could the money be spent elsewhere? If budgeted money isn't spent in a fiscal year, it gets erased and vanishes. OIG discovered that \$132 million could have been spent elsewhere had anyone been paying attention to undelivered orders.

I still say, whatever the OIG's budget is, double it. We'll still come out ahead.

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## Students should take FAFSA verification seriously

The federal government requires many students who submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to verify the information included on the FAFSA. The students requiring verification are chosen by the U.S. Department of Education.

Used to apply for most federal and many state student aid programs, the FAFSA asks detailed questions about the income and financial resources of students. The parents of dependent students must also provide that information. Students are considered dependent if they are un-

dergraduates under 24 years old, not married, have no dependents, are not veterans, or were not orphans or wards of the court until age 19.

The college or an agency working with the school will let students know if their information is being verified.

Students and parents need to take this process seriously, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA). Students chosen for verification cannot receive their financial aid until they complete the verification process. As soon as they are contacted,

they should provide any information that is required. Putting it off will only lead to frustration if the process isn't finished when classes are ready to start.

If students who have been asked for verification decide not to attend a college, they should let the college know so it will stop requesting information.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers Kentucky's student financial aid programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES). Its sister agency, the Kentucky Higher Educa-

tion Student Loan Corporation (KHESLC), offers low-cost Advantage Loans to help students and parents pay for college or refinance student loans. For more information about Advantage Loans, visit [www.advantageeducationloan.com](http://www.advantageeducationloan.com).

Many of KHEAA's student aid programs are funded by Kentucky Lottery revenue.

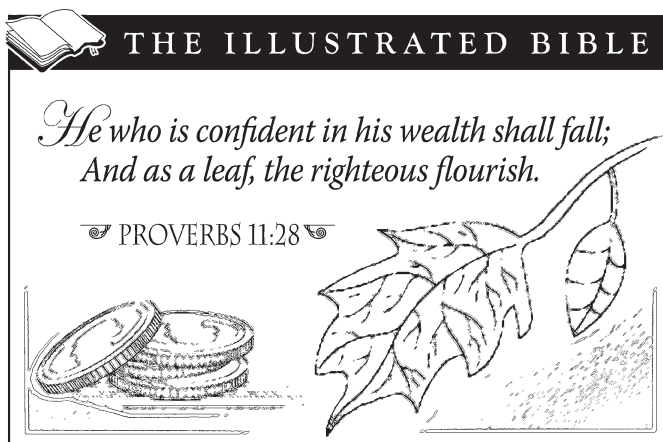
For more information about Kentucky scholarships and grants, visit [www.kheaa.com](http://www.kheaa.com); write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602; or call 800-928-8926, ext. 6-7214.

## Jan. 16 Rocket Docket

Steven Dana Hoover, 49, waived an indictment during the Rocket Docket on January 16.

Hoover pled guilty to improper equipment, operating a motor vehi-

cle under the influence of alcohol or drugs, possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (meth), and possession of marijuana.



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"This game must be crooked—this is NOT the hand I dealt to myself!"