

Grand jury returns 8 indictments

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The indictment charges Draggoo with fleeing or evading police, first degree, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs, possession of a handgun by a convicted felon, second degree wanton endangerment of a police officer, and possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense.

The indictment states that Draggoo attempted to flee after being directed by police to stop. It adds that he had a handgun in his possession.

According to the indictment, Draggoo created a substantial danger of physical injury to the

police officer by driving down an undeveloped road after fleeing from the checkpoint.

It adds that the defendant possessed methamphetamine and Clonazepam.

Heather Jones, 42, of Rose Ridge Road, Irvine was indicted for tampering with physical evidence.

The indictment states that she brought in a device containing urine on November 19 in an attempt to alter her drug screen.

Tabitha Smith, 36, of Crooked Creek Road, Irvine was indicted for possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense.

She allegedly had methamphetamine in her possession on June 24.

A criminal summons was issued for Smith to appear in Estill Circuit Court on March 3.

Deputy Chris Coffey conducted the investigation.

June Lakes, 55, of Oak Valley Road, Irvine was charged by indictments with two counts of false statements/misrepresentation to receive benefits over \$100.

The indictment states that that Lakes filed to report her husband, Rickie Lakes, to be within her household composition to receive Medicaid and SNAP benefits.

It adds that she received an overpayment of Medicaid benefits in the amount of \$38,587.22 and SNAP benefits of \$35,563.00.

Lakes is also scheduled to be arraigned on March 3.

Keena Cole of Cabinet for Health and Family Services conducted the investigation.

Reva Burns, 31, of Bluebird Lane, Irvine was indicted for first degree robbery.

The indictment says she threatened to shoot James Beaty on November 16 at Owlhead's Grocery in order to receive money from the register.

Sheriff Flynn investigated the robbery.

KSP says Estill man posted women's pics on a porn website

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On that website and under the same user name, the women told the officer that she recognized photos of another victim who was also acquainted with Gabbard.

The trooper viewed the pornographic website and confirmed there were pictures and videos of the other victim under the same user name.

Northern interviewed the second victim, who told him that Gabbard had taken pictures and video of her. While she knew the pictures and video were being taken, she never consented for them to be posted to any third party.

Gabbard reportedly admitted he currently has criminal charges pending against him regarding one of the victims and is currently involved in civil litigation with her. The criminal complaint said he had hoped to humiliate her.

Before state police arrested Gabbard, a search warrant was executed at his residence. The officers were looking for records, images, electronic devices, electronic storage devices, cell phone, computers, cameras, other recording devices, and any other items used to commit a crime.

From Gabbard's residence, KSP took into evidence two Galaxy Tabs, a Samsung Galaxy Note 10 phone, a black Samsung charger, and a white Samsung charger.

The 87 charges against Gabbard are Class D felonies, punishable by one to five years in prison. If he is found guilty of all charges, he can face 87 to 435 years in prison.

Gabbard was on the docket Friday for an arraignment in Estill District Court.

Judge William Leach continued Gabbard's first appearance until February 26 because he had posted bail. Gabbard's bail was set at \$5,000 cash.

Sheriff is investigating two thefts

Two recent thefts were reported to Sheriff Chris Flynn, one of them rather large.

A theft was reported by Deandra Fike of Substation Road, Irvine on January 29 to Sheriff Flynn.

Fike told the sheriff that she opened her mailbox and an open envelope was inside. The contents of the envelope were

missing. She also reported the theft of mail matter to her mail carrier and the post office.

A large theft was reported to the sheriff last week by John Bicknell of Thomas Road, Irvine. The items stolen belonged to several members of the Bicknell family and totaled \$1,200.

Among the items stolen from the Bicknell farm on Red Lick Road included a saw mill, a Stihl chainsaw, a Stihl pole saw, an antique potato duster, and a tractor mounted grapple hook.

The report says the saw mill had no wheels and was extremely heavy. The perpetrators would probably have used something

to lift it, such as a tractor, crane, or several individuals.

They are also believed to have been driving a truck.

Anyone with information on either of these thefts is asked to call Sheriff Flynn at 723-2323 during regular business hours or 723-2201 after hours.

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Diana Jones, 48, of Stacy Lane was charged with first degree criminal trespass on Jan. 23. She was at a residence where she had been warned by the sheriff to not be at.

Coffey said Jones came to the door before he knocked on it.

Darrell D. Estes, 41, of Dug Hill Road, Irvine was charged Jan. 21 with operating a motor vehicle under the influence, first offense and operating on a suspended or revoked license.

Deputy Smith said a truck was sitting in a ditchline on Wiseman-town Road, and Estes was passed out inside it. The deputy reported that he recovered a used needle.

Two warrants were served on Scottie W. Collett, 43, of Winchester Road, Irvine on Jan. 21 by Court Security Officer Josh King.

One warrant says Collett failed to appear in Estill Circuit Court on charges of possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense, leaving the scene of an accident/failing to render aid, failure of owner to maintain required insurance, first degree wanton endangerment, and fourth degree assault.

The other warrant says that Collett violated conditions of his release by absconding probation in December, 2019. No bond was set.

Malea D. Combs, 36, of Rice Station Road, Irvine was served with a warrant for failure to appear by Deputy Coffey.

She had allegedly failed to appear in Estill District Court for no registration plates, no registration receipt, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, and failure to maintain required insurance.

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