

Grand Jury returns 30 indictments last Friday

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Brandenburg was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree, first offense (two grams methamphetamine) and complicity to trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (2 grams methamphetamine).

The indictment says that Brandenburg exchanged neuronin for methamphetamine from Tyler Combs on May 28. It adds that he acted with others to arrange purchase of methamphetamine from a confidential witness.

Combs was charged by the indictment with trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (2 grams methamphetamine).

He was also charged with being a first degree persistent felony offender. The indictment says that Combs has been convicted previously of at least two prior felony offenses.

The investigating officer was Irvine Officer John Sturniolo.

Crystal Hatton, 33, of Clearview Drive, Irvine was indicted for theft by unlawful taking or disposition and first degree persistent felony offender.

The indictment says she took items valued at \$1,517.15 from Earl Kelley and Kimberly Kelley on May 22, 2016.

Captain Adrian McKinney conducted the investigation.

Steven LeMaster, 53, of 4th Street, Ravenna, was named in a five count indictment.

LeMaster was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance second degree, first offense (two suboxone strips and one suboxone pill); trafficking in a controlled substance, third degree and first offense (two xanax bars), illegal possession of a legend drug (three Viagra pills), drug paraphernalia buy/possess (a glass pipe used to inhale illegal drugs).

The alleged possessions occurred on June 26. LeMaster was also indicted for being a first degree persistent felony offender.

Officer John Sturniolo conducted the investigation.

An eight count indictment was returned against Russell E. Smith, 55, of Leighon Road, Irvine.

He was charged May 10 with operating a motor vehicle under the influence, failure of non-owner to maintain required insurance, operating on suspended/revoked license, disregard/fail to yield right of way, reckless driving, drug paraphernalia buy/possess (syringes used to inject illegal drugs), possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine), and illegal possession of a legend drug (promethazine). The traffic stop was conducted by Officer Sturniolo.

Wendy Green, 30, of Low Gap Road, Irvine was indicted for failure to give an improper signal, possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine), and failure of non-owner to maintain required insurance. Green was stopped in traffic on May 22 by officer Sturniolo.

William G. Lynch, 31, and Heather Rawlins, 25, both of Sandhill road, Irvine were named as co-defendants in an alleged third degree burglary.

The indictment stated the couple entered a building belonging to Joyce Marcum on April 28 with the intent to commit a crime.

Capt. Adrian McKinney was the investigating officer.

Amanda Arvin, 36, of Kirkland Ave., Irvine and Rhonda Hurley, 34, of S.

Court Street, Irvine were named as co-defendants for a single charge of complicity to theft by unlawful taking or disposition - shoplifting.

The indictment said the women acted with others to take \$578.64 worth of merchandise from Rite Aid on July 1.

The investigating officer was Trooper A. Brashear.

James Zach Garrett, 30, of O'Possum Run Road, Irvine was indicted for possession of a controlled substance first degree and first offense (Methamphetamine) and drug paraphernalia (syringes used to inject illegal drugs) on May 29.

The investigation was conducted by KSP Trooper Z. Pennington.

James Coffey, 29, of Riddell Clem Road, Irvine was indicted for possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (3.5 30mg. Oxycodone) and possession of a controlled substance, third degree (xanax) on Dec. 30, 2015.

Trooper Pennington conducted the investigation.

Blake Brown, 27, of Poplar Street, Ravenna was indicted for possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine), drug paraphernalia buy/possess (syringes to inject illegal drugs, meth pipes to inhale methamphetamine, and a scale used to weigh illegal drugs, and wanton endangerment, second degree.

He was also charged with wanton endangerment second degree. The indictment says he created a substantial danger of physical injury to minor children by allowing meth fumes to be blown by fan into the room where they were watching television.

Officer Sturniolo conducted that investigation on June 2.

Ethan Newman, 26, of Stacy lane was indicted for receiving stolen property (firearm), possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, fleeing or evading on foot, and being a second degree persistent felony offender.

Trooper Pennington investigated the theft of a 12 mm Remington Shotgun on June 21.

Rodney Shane Hix, 39, of Hix lane, Ravenna and Tamika McDaniel, 46, of Beattyville were indicted for trafficking in a controlled substance first degree and first offense, drug paraphernalia (seven syringes used to inject illegal drugs, three digital scales used to weigh illegal drugs, and two pipes used to inhale illegal drugs), and two counts of wanton endangerment second degree.

The indictment states that the couple sold 2 grams of methamphetamine to a confidential witness on June 3 for \$110. It adds the couple created a substantial danger of physical injury to two minor children in the car by passing methamphetamine over a child's head to make the exchange.

McDaniel was also charged in the indictment with illegal possession of a legend drug (gabapentin).

Officer Sturniolo conducted the investigation.

Charles D. Durham II, 37, of Elmer Richardson Road, Irvine, was indicted on two counts of theft by unlawful taking. The indictment states that he took tools on July 9 from Michael Sizemore. It adds that he took tools on July 16 from a van belonging to Barry Witt. Both sets of tools were reportedly valued at over \$500.

Durham was also indicted for being a persistent felony offender in the second degree.

Deputy Morris investigated the tool thefts.

William Thomas Patrick,

29, of Raintree Court, Irvine and Winston Chance Hockensmith, 18, of West Cedar Grove Road, Irvine were named as co-defendants in a third degree burglary at a building owned by Phillip Waite between May 20-22.

Patrick was also charged as a second degree felony offender.

The investigation was conducted by Deputy Morris.

Gabriel Scott Dickenson, 23, of Richmond was charged with theft by unlawful taking or disposition. The indictment says he took several items valued at over \$500 from the home of Robert Jones on May 10.

Morris was the investigating deputy.

An indictment charged Brian Joe Henry, 35, of Timberline Trail, Irvine with receiving stolen property over \$500. The indictment says that Henry had a stolen Husqvarna riding mower in his possession on May 9. Henry was also charged with being a second degree felony offender.

Morris conducted the investigation.

Jeremiah Scott Hix, 36, was indicted for trafficking in a controlled substance first degree and first offense. The indictment states that Hix sold methamphetamine to a confidential witness on June 1 for \$40.

The investigation was conducted by Officer Sturniolo.

Dustin Allen Willis, 29, of Deesha Lane, Irvine was indicted on nine counts of forgery first degree.

The indictment states that between February 5 and 19, Willis wrote six checks on the account of Kendra Clowers. It adds that he forged her signature. The checks totalled \$415.70.

The investigation was conducted by Trooper Brashear.

A second indictment against Willis charged him with theft by unlawful taking or disposition over \$500.

It says between June 6-9, he charged \$1,124.32 worth of oil at Hardy Oil Company to the account of Estill Wood Products without authorization.

This investigation was conducted by Deputy Morris.

Brandy Horn, 40, of Poplar Street, Ravenna was indicted for two counts of false statement/misrepresentation to receive benefits over \$100.

The indictment says that at times between 2012 and 2015, Horn failed to report her correct household income while receiving benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance (SNAP) program, resulting in an overpayment of \$11,010.00.

It also adds that between Aug. 1, 2013 and March 31, 2014, she failed to report her correct household income while receiving Medicaid benefits. The indictment says that Horn was overpaid \$39,343.84.

The investigation was conducted by Joshua Mullins, OIG Special Investigator.

An indictment charged Dalton Adams, 21, of Beechwood Drive, Irvine with four counts of theft by unlawful taking over \$500.

The indictment states that Adams took two 9mm pistols on May 10 which belonged to John Cox. It adds that he took a guitar belonging to Cox on May 4.

The indictment adds that between June 8-18, Adams took several items from Greg and Paula Adams.

Deputy Daniel Smith conducted the investigation.

Dillard Earl Tipton, 73, of Spout Springs Road, Irvine, was indicted for leaving the scene of an accident, crimi-

nal mischief first degree, and wanton endangerment first degree.

The indictment states that Tipton intentionally damaged Amanda Puckett's vehicle on June 28, causing over \$1,000 damage. It adds that he struck Jason Jordan with his vehicle.

Morris conducted the investigation.

A 13-count indictment was returned against Willard Brewer, 35, of Eades Drive, Irvine.

Brewer was charged May 2 by Trooper Brashear with speeding 26 mph or greater, possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine), tampering with physical evidence, fleeing or evading police, first degree, wanton endangerment, first degree; wanton endangerment first degree police officer, operating motor vehicle under influence, failure to wear seat belts, assault fourth degree minor injury, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, and disregarding stop sign.

The indictment states that Brewer attempted to conceal two baggies containing crystal meth and an oxycodone in the trooper's police cruiser.

It also states that he threw his wife, Misty Breeding, to the ground and choked her.

Ethan Newman, 26, Stacy Lane, Kiri Estes, 26, McKee Road, and Boyd A. Coots, 31, of Lincoln Avenue were named as co-defendants in an indictment.

Newman was charged with theft by unlawful taking or disposition. The indictment says that on June 14, he took a 2002 Pontiac Grand Prix that belonged to Rebecca Hull.

Estes and Coots were charged with receiving stolen property over \$500. The indictment says they had Hull's vehicle in their possession on June 16.

Deputy Morris investigated.

Wendell L. Brandenburg, 67, of Turpin Ridge Road, Irvine and George E. Fortner, 69, of Trotting Ridge Road, Irvine were named as co-defendants for allegedly, knowingly, fraudulently using ID card of electric code for benefit.

The indictment says the offense occurred between January 1 through July 31, 2015.

The indictment adds they engaged in conduct which advanced a scheme to obtain benefits by means of false or fraudulent representation.

Det. Rob Morris of KSP investigated.

Atosha Keith, 30, homeless, was indicted for public intoxication, resisting arrest, and assault third degree (police officer).

The indictment says that Keith kicked Deputy Morris several times on June 13.

Dennis Gilbert, 67, of Lexington, was charged with criminal mischief second degree and willfully setting fire to land now owned/controlled by self.

According to the indictment, Gilbert destroyed a camping tent owned by Shay Vanvlymen on Sept. 19, 2015. The same day he allegedly set fire to the Vanvlymen's fence and gate.

KSP Trooper Pennington investigated.

Thomas Ray McKinney, 26, of Barnes Mt. Road, Damien S. Young, 22, Crestwood, Ky. and Kelleigh T. Topping, 35, of Crestwood, Ky. were named as co-defendants in two third degree burglaries. The indictment says on April 27, the trio entered a building owned by Shay Vanvlymen with the intent to commit a crime.

It adds that again on April 218, the trio entered a building owned by Vanvlymen

with the intention of committing a crime.

Deputy Morris conducted the investigation.

Two other defendants waived a grand jury indictment.

Melinda Powell said she believes the charges against her are trafficking in the first degree, possession of a controlled substance, first degree, drug paraphernalia,

wanton endangerment first degree, and complicity in trafficking first degree

Thomas Bowling believes the charge against him is promoting contraband first degree.

Both were represented by their attorneys.

Reports of no indictments were returned against Carrie Mae Estes and Misty D. Wilson.

IPD charges two more with trafficking in drugs

Two more Irvinites were arrested last week in separate incidents for allegedly trafficking in drugs.

Christopher Reed Hudson, 24, of 246 High Street was arrested Thursday, July 21 on charge of trafficking in a controlled substance first degree and trafficking in a legend struck.

The arresting officer, John Sturniolo, said that Hudson sold 10 800mg gabapentin and a 7.5 mg lortab to a confidential informant working for IPD on July 14.

The officer said the transaction was recorded on both video and audio tapes.

Sturniolo said the pills were identified by Poison Control. They were seized as evidence by IPD.

Bail for Hudson was set at \$2,500 cash. He was ar-

raigned on July 25.

Randall (Randy) Hensley, of 114 Collins Street was arrested Saturday, July 23 by Officer Sturniolo.

He was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance second degree, first offense.

Officer Sturniolo said that Hensley sold a suboxone strip for \$25.00 to a confidential informant working for the Irvine Police Department on June 25.

The officer stated the transaction was recorded on both video and audio tapes.

He added that Hensley had \$92.00 in his possession, which was seized by the Irvine Police Department.

Hensley's bail information was unavailable. He was arraigned Monday

IPD finds two teenagers inside burglarized building

Two 18 year old males were apprehended July 21 while committing a burglary, according to the Irvine Police Department.

Chief Brad Smith and Officer John Sturniolo responded to 200 Geneva Avenue around 7:40 p.m. to investigate two males burglarizing a storage building/garage.

Sturniolo wrote in a citation that upon arrival he entered the storage building and found the two teenagers hiding inside. He said both were wearing hats and had bandanas over their faces to conceal their identities.

The officers said the teens had a backpack with a bolt cutter, wire cutter, flashlight, baseball bat, and mallet (hammer).

During the investigation, the teens told the officers they were working together to force the door open to get inside.

Sturniolo said the teens had entered a trailer and vehicle on the property.

Chief Smith charged Corey Tyler Camden of 214 Noland Court with burglary third degree and possession of burglary tools.

Camden's bail was set at \$15,000 cash.

Jeramie David Alcorn of 267 Mt. Crest was charged with third degree burglary and possession of burglar's tools by Officer Sturniolo. Bail for Alcorn was set at \$25,000 cash.

The two men were arraigned Monday in Estill District Court.

IPD Arrest Activity

- Carrie Sturgill, 36, of Sugar Hollow Road, Irvine, was arrested July 13 in Estill District Court by Irvine Officer John Sturniolo. The citation says that Sturgill disregarded ordered District Judge Leach's order to not be talking to inmates. It states that Sturgill was talking to Jerri Sneed, an inmate in the courtroom.

- A district court bench warrant was served on Megan Creech, of High Street on July 13 by Capt. Adrian McKinney. Creech was found guilty in 2012 of operating a motor vehicle under the influence and driving without license/negligence in accident. The warrant says she failed to pay \$318, which was set as her bond amount.

- A bench warrant from district court was served on Timothy Charlton, 44, of Wall Street on July 15 by Officer Sturniolo. He was found guilty of alcohol intoxication in 2015, and the court says he owes \$228. Bail was set at \$228 cash.

- Two bench warrants were served July 12 by Capt. McKinney on Preston Hardy, 27, of Mt. Crest. Hardy had failed to appear in court on June 15 to answer charges of operating on suspended or revoked operators license and display or possession of cancelled or fictitious operators license.

- He also failed to appear on June 20 on charges of rear license not illuminated, operating on suspended or revoked license, and failure of owner to maintain required insurance.

- Michael K. Cornett, 28, of Hoys Fork Road, Irvine was arrested July 18 by Chief Brad Smith on Court Street and charged with alcohol intoxication.

- Eddie R. Young, 40, of Beattyville was arrested on a bench warrant by Capt. McKinney. Young was found guilty in 2014 of operating a motor vehicle under the influence. Five other charges were merged with the DUI. The warrant says that Young failed to pay the fine. His bail was set at \$478.00 cash.

- Two bench warrants were served on Boyd A. Coots, 31, of Lincoln Ave., Irvine on July 23 by Officer Sam Hensley. Coots received diversion in 2014 for cultivation of marijuana, five plants or more. His bail was set at \$265 cash.

- Coots was found guilty in district court of drug paraphernalia - buy/possess in 2014. The warrant was issued because he failed to pay \$228 fine. His bail was set at \$228 cash.

- A Lee County bench warrant was served on Johnny E. King, 39, of Beattyville on July 23 by Officer Sturniolo. Judge Leach says King failed to appear on a charge of criminal mischief third degree. No bail was set.