

Grand jury returns 21 indictments

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Investigations in the Newman and Estes cases were made by Capt. Sturniolo.

Christopher Estes, 25, of the same address as the Estes on Page 1, was indicted for possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine) on Sept. 19.

The arresting officer was KSP Trooper Ty Robinson.

Teresa Hammons, 45, of South Irvine Road was indicted on two counts of trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense.

The indictment states that on December 14, she sold three hydrocodone to a confidential informant. It adds that on December 28, she sold on hydrocodone to a confidential information..

An indictment charged James Roberts III, 40, of Dug Hill Road, Irvine with trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense, and tampering with physical evidence.

It says on Oct. 24, Roberts possessed heroin with the intent to traffic it. The indictment adds that he dropped a dollar bill containing heroin on the ground in order to conceal evidence.

An indictment charges Beverly Kim Willis, 55, of Thomas Road, Irvine with trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense.

He allegedly sold two oxycodone to a confidential informant on October 26.

Capt. Sturniolo was the investigating officer.

Glenn Newton, 65, of Church House Hill Road, Irvine was indicted for trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense.

The indictment says he sold four suboxone to a confidential informant on Oct. 5.

The grand jury also said he is a second degree persistent felony offender, having been convicted of one previous felony.

The investigations in the Hammons, Roberts and Willis cases were made by Capt. Sturniolo.

Kenneth S. Browning, 36, of Winchester was indicted for driving on a DUI suspended license (third offense) on July 22, 2017.

Roger Gabbard of KSP conducted the investigation. Jared Lyle Ross, 36, of Covey Road, Irvine was named the defendant in two indictments.

One indictment charges him with public intoxication, possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine), possession of a controlled substance, third degree (clonazepam), and drug paraphernalia (a syringe) on Oct. 31.

The arresting officer was Chief Brad Smith of IPD.

The second indictment charges Ross with public intoxication, possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine), drug

paraphernalia (a syringe), and disorderly conduct, second degree on Nov. 21.

Irvine Officer Colton Lewis said that Ross made unreasonable noise and caused public alarm.

A four-count indictment was returned against Lisa A. Boswell, 38, of Winchester Road, Irvine. The indictment charges her with possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine), possession of a controlled substance, third degree (suboxone), tampering with physical evidence, and drug paraphernalia - buy/possess (several meth pipes).

The indictment says that she pushed a bag containing the methamphetamine from a table into a garbage can to conceal evidence.

Chief Smith conducted the investigation.

Chris Bowman, 38, of Bluebird Lane, Irvine was indicted for first degree burglary, possession of burglar tools, resisting arrest, and disorderly conduct, second degree.

The indictment states that Bowman entered the residence of Steve Young to commit a crime on Nov. 4 and was armed with a firearm in his immediate flight thereof. It adds that Bowman also possessed a screw driver and a pry bar.

The indictment adds that Bowman tried to keep a police officer from arresting him. He made unreasonable noises and caused public

annoyance.

David Hobbs of KSP conducted the investigation.

Jena Lee Combs, 33, of Rice Station Road, Irvine was charged with a three count indictment.

She was charged with possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine), possession of marijuana, and drug paraphernalia - buy/possess (syringes, a metal spoon and digital scale) on January 3.

An investigation was conducted by Irvine Officer Jason Conrad.

Kevin Moes, 56, of Mt. Springs Road, Irvine was indicted for possession of a firearm by a convicted felon (a Crescent 12 gauge shotgun) and fleeing or evading police, second degree (on foot) on October 12.

The investigating officer was KSP Trooper Ty Robinson.

Casey Allen Myers, 31, of J.R. Furniture Road, Irvine was named in a two-count indictment. It charges him with escape, second degree, and first degree persistent felony offender.

The indictment says that Myers escaped into a wooded area on October 10 while being walked from the courtroom to the jail transport vehicle.

The investigating trooper was Robinson.

Michael Shane Bishop, 22, of Eades Drive, Irvine was indicted for possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense

(methamphetamine), possession of marijuana, and bribery of a public servant on Dec. 7.

The indictment says Bishop asked Officer Lewis how much he could pay him to make the methamphetamine charge go away.

Jessica J. Wood, 34, of Harris Ferry Road, and Tina Michelle White, 37, of Noland Hill Road, were named as co-defendants in a 16-count indictment.

All 16 charges were criminal possession of a forged instrument, second degree (checks). The women allegedly possessed the forged checks totaling \$1,360 between November 15 and December 11.

Toney Allen of KSP conducted the investigation.

Kelsey R. Bowman, 23, and Ernest Jones, 36, both of Cherry Street, Irvine were named as co-defendants in a 13-count indictment.

Both defendants were charged with wanton endangerment, first degree and drug paraphernalia - buy/possess. The indictment says they allowed a child to be in close proximity of methamphetamine and other drug paraphernalia (a meth pipe) on October 30.

Bowman was charged with possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine) and hindering prosecution or apprehension, second degree.

The indictment charges Jones with two counts of trafficking in a controlled

substance, first degree and first offense on Oct. 30 (heroin and methamphetamine), and two counts of trafficking in a controlled substance, third degree and first offense (23 suboxone pills and 7 gabapentin).

Jones was also charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree and first offense, on Oct. 20. The indictment says he sold methamphetamine to a confidential informant.

The indictment also charged him with three counts of possession of a handgun by a convicted felon. It states that on Oct. 30, he had in his possession a Charter Arms .38 caliber pistol, a Jimenez Arms .38 caliber pistol, and a Beretta USA .40 caliber pistol.

Jones was also charged with being a first degree persistent felony offender.

The investigation was conducted by Chief Smith and Capt. Sturniolo.

The grand jury also gave three reports of no indictments because of insufficient votes.

Not indicted were Brandon L. Tirey in a complaint taken to the grand jury by Officer Conrad, Charles H. Collins in a complaint made by Trooper Caudill, and James P. Hoover in a complaint made by Chief Smith.

An indictment is not an indication of guilt. A person is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Ravenna Council explores grant funds available for some community projects

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The council unanimously agreed to remove Stewart from the account and to also dissolve the committee that currently oversees the money.

Flinchum asked why funds had not been released for the 2015-2016 audit. She said the city had paid for the audit and she couldn't understand why the state was still withholding the money.

Moore said that she had spoken to a lady in Frankfort and was told that funds would not be released until the 2016-2017 audit was

completed.

Flinchum stated that by her calculations the city was due to receive \$34,000 and she thought something needed to be done to expedite the completion of the audit.

Howell agreed by saying she thought the auditors needed to be contacted and told that the council was upset and they needed a deadline by which to have the audit completed.

The council all agreed that they would give the auditors until March 31st to have the audit completed or

to at least know a definite completion date.

The council questioned Mayor Tipton about the police cruisers that were not being used. Mayor Tipton said that since the city only had one officer at this time then the other two cruisers were not being used. Flinchum asked if the city was paying insurance on those cruisers and Tipton replied that they were.

Van Cleve said he thought that any vehicle that wasn't being used should be sold. The council all agreed to sell the vehicles and use

the money to maintain the vehicle that is in operation.

Van Cleve asked for an update on the park. Tipton said that the railroad was working to remove the contaminated dirt at the park and once that was completed they would deed the land over to the city.

Louis Officer asked to address the council and Van Cleve denied that request by saying that guests had an opportunity earlier in the meeting to speak to the council and moved to adjourn the meeting.

Irvine Police Dept. Activity Report

Jason G. Beagle, 44, of Doe Creek, Irvine was charged March 9 by Irvine Officer Colton Lewis with alcoholic intoxication in a public place, disorderly conduct second degree, resisting arrest, menacing, and carrying a concealed weapon.

Kaila Dawn Reams, 19, of Lexington, was cited March 7 by Officer Jason Conrad with operating vehicle under influence of alcohol, leaving scene of accident - failure to render aid or assistance, drug paraphernalia, failure of owner to maintain required insurance, no operators - moped license, and obstructed vision and/or windshield.

Deborah M. Griffith, 40, of McKee Road, Irvine was

charged by Captain John Sturniolo with driving on DUI suspended license - first offense, failure of owner to maintain required insurance, one headlight, obstructed vision and or/windshield, and no registration plates.

A parole violation warrant was served on **Tommy Witt** on March 5 by Officer Conrad.

The warrant states that Witt was convicted of theft by unlawful taking over \$500, theft by unlawful taking, and second degree forgery in Estill County Circuit Court. Witt was paroled on August 30, 2018.

The warrant says Witt absconded parole supervision and failed to complete treatment for substance abuse.

New Claims Appeals Offer 3 Options

VETERANS POST by Freddy Groves

After 18 months of being studied and readied, the Appeals Modernization Act of 2017 finally became official last month. You'll now have more choice in how disability claim denials will be handled, hopefully with a speedier path through the process.

You'll have three choices:

- With a Higher-Level Review, a "more experienced adjudicator" will do a new review of old decisions. The Department of Veterans Affairs hopes to have these claims completed in an average of 125 days.

- With a Supplemental Claim, new information and evidence can be submitted. The VA will have a duty to assist in that process. It hopes to have these claims also completed in an average of 125 days.

- If you want to appeal to the Board, you'll have three choices: direct review, evidence or hearing. The VA hopes to complete direct reviews in an average of 365 days. (It used to take three to seven years!) Direct review doesn't include new evidence; the other two options do.

The VA's budget includes 605 more employees who

will establish decision-making centers in Florida and Washington, joining a third center in Washington, D.C.

For decisions received Feb. 19, 2019, or later, go online to www.va.gov/decision-reviews for more information. You have one year from the date of your decision to ask for a review.

For decisions received before that date, there's a dif-

ferent process. See the information at www.va.gov/disability/file-an-appeal.

Make note of the phrase "a more experienced adjudicator" mentioned above. If you end up with a lawyer helping you, that phrase -- the VA's own words -- might come in handy if you can show that the previous adjudicator wasn't up to the job.

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Kentucky Afield call-in answers turkey hunting questions

Spring turkey hunting season is around the corner. To prepare, viewers can tune in to this year's annual Kentucky Afield Turkey Call-In. The program airs live Saturday, March 23 at 8:30/7:30 pm on KET. It will encore Sunday, March 24 at 4/3 pm on KET and Thursday, March 28 at 4:30/3:30 pm on KET2.

Kentucky Afield host Chad Miles is joined by a panel of experts from the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources who address viewers' questions about turkey hunting regulations, best places to

hunt, successful calling strategies, safety precautions and more.

Kentucky Afield Turkey Hunting Call-In is a co-production of KET and the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. Carl Babcock is producer and director.

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"Surviving College" booklets can help freshmen & adults

FRANKFORT, Ky. (March 12, 2019) — "Surviving College," a guide that helps college freshmen succeed during their first year on campus, is available free from the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

The 36-page booklet includes sections about:

- Majors and class schedules.
- Staying healthy and safe on campus.
- Learning styles and study tips.
- Campus life.
- Financial basics.

KHEAA also provides "Surviving College for Adults," geared toward non-traditional students.

To order a free copy, email publications@kheaa.com.

Please include your mailing address.

Online versions of both are available on www.kheaa.com.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES), need-based grants and other programs to help students pay their higher education expenses. It also disburses low-cost Advantage Education Loans for its sister agency, the Kentucky Higher Education Student Loan Corporation (KHESLC).

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

Two escapees recaptured on days of their escapes

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Sheriff Chris Flynn said Yates continued walking down the hall and went out a back door, where he escaped.

Jail staff immediately notified that Yates was gone and began looking for him.

Sheriff Flynn said that Yates' girlfriend returned him to the jail after he met up with her.

At 11 a.m. the sheriff charged Yates with second degree escape.

Bail for Yates was set at \$20,000 cash.