

# Grand Jury indicts nine

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On March 20, the indictment states that Johnson hid a container with methamphetamine inside a seat on the jail transport van.

Johnson was also charged with being a second degree persistent felony offender. KSP Trooper Ty Robinson was the investigating officer.

Della L. Maloney, 44, of Clay City, was indicted on a single charge of theft by unlawful taking or disposition - auto - over \$500/under \$10,000.

The indictment says that she took a red 2010 Ford Edge on March 13, which had been reported stolen by Jacob Rogers.

Trooper Robinson investigated this theft.

Kristi Hull, 22, of Old Fox Road, Irvine was indicted for possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense.

The indictment says she

possessed methamphetamine on July 21, 2015.

Trooper Robinson was the investigating officer.

An indictment charged Lonnie Winchester, 55, of Richmond, Indiana with possession of a handgun by a convicted felon.

It states that on March 19, Winchester had a black semiautomatic .40 caliber pistol in his possession.

Irvine Officer Jason Conrad was the investigating policeman.

Jacob Darbyshire, 20, of Red Lick Road, Irvine was indicted for first degree burglary.

The indictment says that Darbyshire entered the residence of Marvin Rawlins on March 20, 2017 with the intent to commit a crime. It adds that when he left Rawlins' residence, he was armed with a firearm.

KSP Trooper Nick Brumback investigated the burglary.



Tyler Staker, center of back row, field representative for U.S. Congressman Andy Barr, came to the American Legion on Wednesday, July 18. He was helping to determine if Irvine Post #79 needed an elevator. Commander Steve Noe proceeded to have the 24 year old Tyler push him up the ramp in a wheelchair. He could only push the wheelchair halfway up the ramp before telling Commander Noe, "I have had enough of pushing you up this ramp." He also said Barr was committed to getting Legion Post #79 a grant to purchase the elevator. American Legion Post #79 will host a meeting and dinner with Barr in the next month. Rep. Barr and the American Legion Post wish to invite all veterans to this momentous occasion. Also in photo are Estill County Judge/Executive Donnie Watson, second from left, Kim Richardson, second from right, and Steve Noe. (Photo Submitted)

# Women charged after naked child wanders away from her residence

A neighbor called 911 Saturday night and told dispatch that a little girl was crying on their porch and was not wearing clothes.

Deputy Chris Coffey went to Race Track Road to investigate.

Before he left, he arrested three women from the same family.

Citations state that a grandmother, Donna Young, 57, of 1027 Race Track Road, was supposed to be babysitting

her two grandchildren.

The little girl had apparently walked up the driveway and crossed the road to the residence at 1050 Race Track Road where she was found crying.

A citation states there was no electricity or water in Young's home.

Coffey said he found a second child, a two-year old inside the home. It was also unclothed.

The mother of the little

girl was identified as Young's daughter, Heather Young, 24.

The mother of the other child was her sister, Adrian Young, 21. The two young mothers also gave 1027 Race Track Road as their address.

The citation states that both of the younger women admitted to smoking marijuana earlier and showed signs of HGN (Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus).

A citation adds the daugh-

ters also knew that their mother had been charged before with endangering the welfare of a minor.

All three women were charged with endangering the welfare of a minor. Donna Young was charged with alcohol intoxication, while Heather and Adrian Young were charged with public intoxication.

They were taken to Three Forks Regional Jail in Beatyville.

# Irvine Council meets

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Gross also said that a home on Wildwood Drive had been torn down by the property owner but had not been disposed of. He said they would need to contact the homeowner again to find out why the debris had not been removed from the property.

Captain John Sturniolo provided the council with an update on the police department. He said that revenue from alcohol sales had been used to paint two of the Crown Victorias and the department had them re-stripped and they were looking good. Sturniolo said that he had been working on the yearly report and the Irvine Police Department had seized \$14,000 and 12 guns in the past year. In the past three months alone, Sturniolo said they had investigated three juvenile rape cases.

Councilman Billy Arthur said that he had received a complaint from city workers about excess garbage being left on Kirkland Avenue. Arthur said he wasn't sure if the garbage was being brought in from somewhere and left there for pickup or what the case may be. Mayor Gross said that he would get the address and send someone out to talk to the homeowner.

Councilman Tim Burkhart asked for an update on delinquent property taxes at the next council meeting. Mayor Gross said that several people had come in and paid their delinquent taxes and several others had set up payment arrangements. Burkhart said he would like to see them at the next meeting and possibly proceed with litigation on the properties like they had discussed earlier in the year.

# Woman falsely reports her baby was kidnapped

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Hagens also told police he thought the baby may have been injured. He feared it was overheating because the outside temperature was in the 90s.

The citation states that Portwood arrived at the hospital while the baby was being examined by ER staff. It says she continued to falsify her report and attempted to change her story several times.

Social Services was called. The child was released to another family member.

Portwood was charged with first degree wanton endangerment, falsely reporting an incident, failure to use child restraint device in vehicle, and reckless driving. Bail for Portwood has been set at \$1,000 cash.

# Irvine woman charged with buying alcohol & having sex with teens

An Irvine woman faces multiple charges of unlawful transaction with a minor, including sex acts, and second degree sodomy.

Captain John Sturniolo arrested Barbara Gehr, 27, of Cantrill Street on July 20.

He said that Gehr was interviewed on a complaint that she had purchased alcohol for juveniles on July 12, 2019.

The citation states that she admitted purchasing the alcohol for two minors on three times on July 12 in Es-

till County.

She reportedly admitted to purchasing marijuana for minors on separate occasions.

And five times, she told the police captain that she had sexual intercourse with a minor under 16 years old.

She allegedly admitted to sodomizing a minor under 16 on four occasions.

The alleged events may have occurred as early as November, 2018.

Gehr's bail was set at \$10,000 cash.

# Local Police Activity Reports

**Megan Young, 21**, of Knob Lick Road, Irvine was cited by Sheriff Chris Flynn on July 21. She had parked her vehicle in a field after having a blow-out.

Flynn charged her with no/expired registration plates and failure to produce insurance card.

Sheriff Flynn cited **Samuel David Riddell, 53**, of Dreyfus Road, Waco on July 21 for having expired registration plates.

Deputy Chris Coffey cited **George Harrison, 54**, of Ridge Road, Irvine on July 21 for two counts of not giving a turn signal and rear license not illuminated.

Sheriff Flynn served indictment warrants on July 17 on **Wesley Edmonson, 42**, of Red Lick Road, Irvine and **Kristi Hull, 22**, of Old Fox Road, Irvine.

Edmonson was indicted for escape second degree and persistent felony offender in the second degree.

Hull was indicted for possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense (methamphetamine).

Sheriff Flynn served two bench warrants July 16 on **Earl J. Peters, 64**, of Dry Branch Road, Irvine. One said Peters failed to appear for a review of a case in Estill District Court. Bail was set at \$200 cash.

The other bench warrant said Peters failed to appear on possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense and tampering with physical evidence.

Deputy Josh Rison served a bench warrant on **Bethany Holton, 43**, of Substation Road, Irvine. She had been charged with fourth degree assault and was to be held without bail.

Deputy Rison served a bench warrant July 17 for

failure to appear on April Richardson. She had been charged with unlawful transaction with a minor third degree.

A parole violation warrant was served July 15 on **Brandon Holliman, 33**, address unknown. It says Holliman absconded parole supervision, failed to complete treatment for substance abuse, and failed to report to his parole officer.

Sheriff Flynn also charged Holliman with theft by unlawful taking or disposition and criminal trespassing, second degree.

Sarah Conode reported that muck boots were stolen from her property on Noland Creek Road on July 13. A video allegedly showed Holliman on her porch, peeking in windows, and taking the boots.

Flynn said he located Holliman at a neighboring property on Winchester Road. He was sleeping in a mobile home and wearing the muck boots.

**Jessie Stone, 34**, of Stone Fox Lane, Ravenna was served a bench warrant on July 18 by Sheriff Flynn.

On July 15, Flynn arrested **David Lee Lapley, 35**, of Brooksville, Florida for alcohol intoxication in the Shell Mart parking lot.

**Billie Wilson, 37**, of Church Street, Irvine was arrested for public intoxication of a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance, first degree and first offense on July 16 by Officer Jason Conrad.

The officer was reportedly dispatched to Hood Avenue Trailer Park because Wilson was standing in the middle of the street and talking out of her head.

He said when he made contact with Wilson, she was

unsteady on her feet.

During a search, the officer stated he located an aluminum foil wrapper containing a crystal-like substance, suspected to be methamphetamine.

Irvine Police Chief Brad Smith assisted with the investigation.

Wilson pled not-guilty during her arraignment on July 17. A preliminary hearing was scheduled for July 24.

**September A. Stamper, 19**, of Doe Creek Road, Irvine faces six charges after a traffic stop by Officer Stewart Morris on Court Street, July 17. The report says she failed to signal when turning from Broadway onto Court Street.

Stamper was charged

with failure to improper signal, improper equipment (tail lights not working), failure of owner to maintain required insurance, failure to produce insurance card, operating motor vehicle under the influence, and drug paraphernalia - buy/possess.

A bench warrant was served July 21 on **Michelle Boyken** of Broadway by Officer Russell Morris. Boyken was found guilty in 2017 of leaving scene of accident and failure of non-owner operator to maintain insurance. A charge of operating on a suspended or revoked operator license was revoked.

District Judge William Leach set Boyken's bail at \$300 cash. A bond surrender hearing will be held.

# Honor Flight Needs Our Help

VETERANS POST by Freddy Groves

The number of World War II veterans topped 16 million during the war. Now there are fewer than half a million still alive, all in their 80s and 90s. We're losing over 300 WWII veterans each day. Most of them have never seen the memorial in Washington, D.C., that was built in their honor.

Honor Flights Network, a nonprofit, works to change that. Since 2010, it has escorted 222,133 veterans to see the memorial, at no cost to the veteran. Last year HFN took 21,000 veterans to Washington. The one-day trips leave from a "hub" in most states and fly to Washington, where they visit the memorial dedicated to them, as well as the Vietnam and Korean memorials. These trips are scheduled multiple times a year.

But it takes money and volunteers (guardian escorts) to pull it off, and there are over 38,000 veterans on a wait list. We're running out

of time to get all the vets to Washington who want to go. There are programs to help more veterans get there. The Solo program is for those who have friends and family who can fund the air trip and hotel for one to three days. The Lone Eagle program is for veterans who are not near an airport hub. Once in Washington, the veteran and his escort will join the main group for all their activities. In addition, Honor Flights has expanded to include Korean War and Vietnam War veterans.

If you can send money, please do. The address is Honor Flight, Inc., 175 South Tuttle Road, Springfield, OH 45505, or donate at www.honorflight.org. (Don't miss the video on the website).

If you want information or can serve as an escort, call Honor Flight at 937-521-2400, or Jane Julian at 614-558-6220. If you have any medical experience, that's a bonus, but there are many roles you can fill.

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