

Powell Police Warn Of Phone Scam

(POWELL, Ohio) – *February 5, 2014* – The Powell Police Department is warning residents to not provide personal information to anyone who is posing as a court official over the phone.

In the last few hours, Powell residents have been contacted by a male accusing them of missing jury duty from the Delaware County Common Pleas Court.

The scammer advises the victims since they failed to go to jury duty that they have to pay \$500 to \$825 in fines and that they must get a money order within two to four hours. One of the reports states that the scammer advised the victim that they must appear in court at which point the judge might refund the money they sent the previous day.

Another police report indicates the scammer told the victim to stay on the phone because they have a warrant for their arrest and have suspended their driver's license. Furthermore, they told the victim if they are pulled over by the police while driving to get the money order that they will speak with the police and advise them why they were driving on a suspended license.

The Powell Police Department advises consumers that legitimate companies or agencies do not call or email asking for personal information, such as account, credit card or social security numbers. Never give out personal information unless you initiated the contact.

Anyone with information is encouraged to contact the Powell Police Department at **(614) 885-3374**.

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**WORTHINGTON DOCTOR WHO DROVE DRUNK AND
INJURED A BICYCLIST CHANGES PLEA TO GUILTY**



Elizabeth Unk

A Worthington doctor has changed her plea to guilty.

Today in court, 39-year-old Elizabeth Unk pleaded guilty to vehicular assault – a fourth-degree felony and operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol, a drug of abuse or a combination of them – a first-degree misdemeanor.

The plea comes after a September 2012 incident when Unk made the decision to drive while under the influence of alcohol.

"Drinking and driving is a bad combination that is absolutely preventable," said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien. "In this case, Ms. Unk's blood alcohol level was more than twice the legal limit, and her irresponsible decision to get behind the wheel caused serious injury to an innocent bicyclist."

The incident occurred Sept. 12, 2012 along State Route 23 and Green Meadows Drive.

Unk was indicted in May of 2013. A sentencing hearing is set for March 24 at 10 a.m.

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For Immediate Release

***Re: Sentencing Date Set – State of Ohio v. Mary Kathryn Paul
[Death of Robert Thomas Lennon]***

Today I received notice that sentencing proceedings have been formally set in the above case for Monday, February 24, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. before Visiting Judge John W. Kessler, who was assigned to this matter by the Ohio Supreme Court. These court proceedings will occur at the Delaware County Court of Common Pleas where the charges were filed.

These court proceedings will be the first opportunity for Mr. Lennon's family to represent to the court what impact Mr. Lennon's death has had on them and their community. I have been informed that a pre-sentence investigation has been completed on Ms. Paul, and I would expect that this report will provide Judge Kessler with valuable information he will need to make an appropriate sentencing decision in this case. [That document is not, by law, a public record.]

This is all that I currently intend to say about the matter and will wait for February 24th to make any additional comments in court. I do not wish for any statements that may be made by me to overshadow what I fully expect to be very poignant and heartfelt comments at that hearing by Mr. Lennon's family and friends.



Kenneth W. Oswalt
Licking County Prosecutor
Special Delaware County Prosecutor

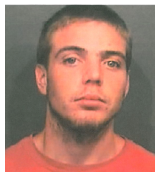
[Court notice attached.]



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BOYFRIEND/GIRLFRIEND DUO INDICTED ON MULTIPLE COUNTS OF BURGLARY/THEFT



Anthony Allen



Courtney Golden

A Delaware County Grand Jury returned an 11-count indictment this week against a Westerville couple who stole from residents in the cities of Westerville and Worthington, as well as Genoa Township.

Courtney Golden, 19, and Anthony Allen, 22, took items from homes, garages, and cars. They pawned the stolen items for cash.

"Among the items taken were a revolver and a rifle," said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien. "The couple also took a debit card, which was used at a Kroger store in Westerville."

Allen and Golden are each charged with 2 counts of grand theft – both third-degree felonies, 2 counts of receiving stolen property – both fifth-degree felonies, burglary – a second-degree felony, receiving stolen property – a fifth-degree felony, identity fraud – a fifth-degree felony, theft – a fifth-degree felony, and theft – a first-degree misdemeanor.

Also in the indictment, Allen is charged separately with burglary – a second-degree felony and theft – a fifth-degree felony. Golden is charged separately with receiving stolen property – a fifth-degree felony.

The incidences occurred in May of 2013 through July 2013. Both Golden and Allen are in jail. Arraignment dates have not yet been set.

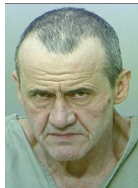
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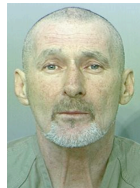
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BROTHERS INDICTED AFTER BREAKING INTO MULTIPLE RETAIL STORES



Michael Beverly



Gary Ferrell

A Delaware County Grand Jury returned a 24-count indictment this week against two Columbus brothers and their two friends.

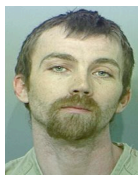
Michael R. Beverly III, 57, and his brother Gary M. Ferrell, 54, broke into several area retail stores in Columbus, Dublin, and Hilliard from September 2013 to Dec. 2013.

"These defendants caused a great deal of property damage, often forcing through a back door and even breaking through walls to gain entry into neighboring retail stores," said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien. "Once inside, they would grab merchandise and cash."

Beverly and Ferrell are each charged with 9 counts of breaking and entering – all fifth-degree felonies, 5 counts of vandalism – also fifth-degree felonies, 5 counts of safecracking – all fourth-degree felonies, 2 counts of tampering with evidence – both third-degree felonies, 2 counts of possessing criminal tools – both fifth-degree felonies, and engaging in a pattern of corrupt activity – a first-degree felony.

Targeted stores included Music Go Round, Dots Fashions, Catherine's, Hallmark, Cottage Inn Pizza, Piada Italian Street Food, The Oreck Store, and Casual Male XL.

"The damage done is significant," O'Brien said. "The cost to repair the vandalism and the cost of lost merchandise totals more than \$86,000."



*Alan
Jarrell*



*Peggy Sue
Busellato*

Also named in the indictment are 32-year-old Alan C. Jarrell and 35-year-old Peggy Sue Busellato, both of Columbus. Jarrell is friends with Ferrell. Busellato is Beverly's girlfriend.

Both are charged with engaging in a pattern of corrupt activity – a first-degree felony, breaking and entering – a fifth-degree felony, and possessing criminal tools – a fifth-degree felony. Jarrell is additionally charged with tampering with evidence – a fifth-degree felony.

Beverly, Ferrell, and Jarrell are in jail in Columbus. Busellato is in the Delaware County jail.

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Mary Kathryn Paul Sentenced In Death Of Bicyclist And Teacher Robert Lennon

Feb. 24, 2014 – The woman who struck and killed St. Francis DeSales Teacher Robert Lennon while he was riding his bicycle was sentenced to 4.5 years in prison, and her driver's license in Ohio was suspended for life.

Mary Kathryn Paul, 36, pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter and failing to stop after an accident – both third-degree felonies.

The incident happened September 15, 2013. Paul struck Lennon, 64, on Miller–Paul Road, killing him instantly.

Special Prosecutor, Ken Oswalt of Licking County, handled the case.



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**FATHER INDICTED AFTER ALLEGEDLY
STRIKING BABY SON IN THE FACE**



Shawn Holland

A Delaware County Grand Jury returned a 3-count indictment this week against a Delaware father who allegedly struck his son in the face hard enough that the 17-month-old had to be taken to the hospital.

A concerned person who had seen on Facebook that Shawn Holland left the child home alone notified authorities.

"The Delaware Police came to the aid of the baby, who had been left crying in his crib," said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien.

The 17-month-old was transported to Grady Memorial Hospital. Authorities took the baby's mother from her workplace to the hospital.

Holland, 23, is charged with felonious assault - a second-degree felony, endangering children - a second-degree felony, and endangering children - a first-degree misdemeanor.

Holland is in jail. An arraignment date is not yet set.

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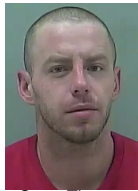
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GRAND JURY INDICTS BANK ROBBERY SUSPECTS



Scott Thomas



Trintan Moore

A Delaware County Grand Jury returned a 7-count indictment this week against two men involved in multiple robberies, and another man who led authorities on a car chase.

Scott Thomas, 26, of Marengo, Ohio and Trintan Moore, 24, of Columbus, teamed up to commit a series of robberies from February 15 to February 17, 2014.

"Mr. Thomas and Mr. Moore were involved in several robberies around central Ohio," said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien. "On February 15, the duo struck Huntington National Bank in Lewis Center. On February 16 they struck a Columbus Walgreen's store, and on February 17, they robbed a CVS store in Delaware."

For those offenses, both Thomas and Moore are charged with 2 counts of aggravated robbery with a firearm specification – both first-degree felonies, and robbery – a third-degree felony. They are also charged with receiving stolen property and grand theft – both fourth-degree felonies, for their part in stealing vehicles.



*John
Thompson*

Also named in the indictment is John Thompson III, 24, of Columbus. Thompson and Thomas are additionally charged for their part in a car chase, attempting to elude authorities along State Route 23 on February 18, 2014.

Thompson and Thomas are each charged with felonious assault on a police officer – a first-degree felony and failure to comply with order or signal of police officer – a third-degree felony.

"Mr. Thompson and Mr. Thomas put the community and law enforcement at risk," O'Brien said. "The car chase ended only after law enforcement disabled their vehicle with spike strips at State Route U.S. 23 and Ohio Health Boulevard."

Thomas, Moore, and Thompson are in jail in Delaware County awaiting arraignment.

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