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MARENGO MAN INDICTED FOR ROBBERY



G. Brewer

A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned an indictment against 43-year-old Gary L. Brewer of Marengo.

Charges come after a February 27, 2018 call to law enforcement that there was a theft in progress at the Westerville Kroger store.

Kroger staff suspected a customer had taken two bottles of liquor and concealed them in his coat.

"A Kroger employee followed the suspicious customer to the parking lot, calling out for him to stop," said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien. "The man began repeating that he was going to shoot the employee, who then backed off, as the man drove away."

The employee later identified the man as Gary Brewer out of a photo line up. Mr. Brewer is charged with one count of robbery – a second-degree felony, and one count of theft – a first-degree misdemeanor.

An arraignment date is not yet set.



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RECKLESS DRIVING, STOLEN GOODS, AND A CAR CRASH LEAD TO INDICTMENT

A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned a five-count indictment against 28-year-old Shawn Michael Garrad of Mount Vernon, Ohio.

Garrad was the driver of a vehicle that had been reported for reckless driving on December 21, 2017.

"Law enforcement spotted the black Honda Accord travelling on State Route 3, just north of State Route 37," said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien. "The vehicle was observed to be travelling at a high rate of speed, passing multiple vehicles in the grass off the right side of the road, running a red light, and travelling northbound in the southbound lanes, forcing several other vehicles off the roadway."

The driver eventually crashed, coming to rest in a creek near the area of Condit Road and N. Old 3C Highway.

"It was determined the car and its plates had been reported stolen," O'Brien said. "There were also multiple packages inside the vehicle that had been stolen from residents in Columbus, Westerville, New Albany, and Galena."

Garrad is charged with one count of failure to comply with order or signal of police officer – a third-degree felony, receiving stolen property – a fourth-degree felony, two counts of receiving stolen property – both fifth-degree felonies, and one misdemeanor count of receiving stolen property.

An arraignment date has not yet been set.

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DELAWARE MAN INDICTED ON ATTEMPTED MURDER CHARGE



J. Dunham

A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned an indictment against 40-year-old James Anthony Dunham.

Charges come after Delaware Police responded to Grady Memorial Hospital on a report of injuries resulting from domestic violence.

“The victim in this case, the defendant’s girlfriend, had been strangled to the point of unconsciousness; She had orbital and jaw fractures as well as multiple fractures to the thyroid cartilage,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “Her injuries are many and were life threatening.”

Dunham is charged with one count of attempted murder – a first-degree felony. He is being held in the Delaware County Jail.

At Dunham’s arraignment in Delaware Municipal Court, Prosecutor O’Brien asked for, and received, a \$1 million bond. An arraignment hearing in the Delaware County Common Pleas Court is not yet set.

FACEBOOK POST
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NEW ALBANY MAN SENTENCED FOR HIS ROLE IN OVI CRASH THAT SENT A MOTHER AND THREE CHILDREN TO THE HOSPITAL

Michael Vernon Lewis was sentenced to 18 months in prison for his role in a May 25, 2017 head-on crash in Delaware County.

“Mr. Lewis consumed alcohol and got behind the wheel,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “The result was a head-on collision that sent a mother and her three young children to the hospital.”

Lewis, 26, pleaded guilty to aggravated vehicular assault - a third-degree felony, vehicular assault - a fourth-degree felony, and operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs - a first-degree misdemeanor. This is his second OVI in 10 years.

In addition to time in prison, Mr. Lewis was also ordered to pay \$15,451.92 in restitution, and \$3,800 in fines. His driver’s license is suspended for five years.

The effects of driving under the influence can be devastating. Please make the responsible decision to never get behind the wheel if you’re impaired, and if you see an impaired or distracted driver on the road, pull over to a safe place and report it by calling 1-800-GRAB-DUI or #677.





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MARENGO MAN ARRAIGNED AFTER BEING INDICTED FOR ROBBERY



G. Brewer

Gary L. Brewer, 43, of Marengo appeared for arraignment in Delaware County Common Pleas court yesterday.

He received a \$5,000 cash or surety bond along with a \$5,000 recognizance bond.

Charges against Brewer came after a February 27, 2018 call to law enforcement that there was a theft in progress at the Westerville Kroger store.

Kroger staff suspected a customer had taken two bottles of liquor and concealed them in his coat.

"A Kroger employee followed the suspicious customer to the parking lot, calling out for him to stop," said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien. "The man began repeating that he was going to shoot the employee, who then backed off, as the man drove away."

The employee later identified the man as Gary Brewer out of a photo line up. Mr. Brewer is charged with one count of robbery – a second-degree felony, and one count of theft – a first-degree misdemeanor.

A trial date was set for May 17, 2018.



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DELAWARE MAN ARRAIGNED ON ATTEMPTED MURDER CHARGE



J. Dunham

James Anthony Dunham received a \$1 million bond.

Dunham, 40, is charged with one count of attempted murder – a first-degree felony.

“The victim in this case, the defendant’s girlfriend, had been strangled to the point of unconsciousness; She had orbital and jaw fractures as well as multiple fractures to the thyroid cartilage,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “Her injuries are many and were life threatening.”

Trial is set for May 29, 2018.

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REPEAT OVI OFFENDER INDICTED ON OVI CHARGES



K. Lauer

A Delaware County Grand Jury returned a three-count indictment against 32-year-old Kevin M. Lauer of Columbus.

Lauer was travelling eastbound on State Route 750 near Lyra Drive in Orange Township when he was pulled over for speeding.

“During the traffic stop, Mr. Lauer showed signs of impairment and was arrested,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “He was observed to have slurred speech, an odor of alcohol on his person, and glassy, bloodshot eyes.”

Lauer has four previous OVI convictions on his record, dating back to 2006 and continuing to 2009, 2013, and 2016. He was indicted on three counts of operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs – all fourth-degree felonies.

An arraignment date for Lauer has not yet been set.

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COLUMBUS MAN INDICTED FOR AGGRAVATED ROBBERY



K. Woods

A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned a six-count indictment against 18-year-old Khalil Woods of Columbus.

Charges come after law enforcement responded to a shoplifting incident at the Polaris Mall Macy's around noon on March 24, 2018.

"Loss prevention officers reported a male fled the store with merchandise suspected to be stolen," said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien. "They were able to provide the license plate number of the suspect vehicle and let police know the man pointed a gun at them in his attempt to flee."

When law enforcement ran the license plate number, it came back to a vehicle that had been reported stolen several days earlier.

About two hours later Columbus Police responded to an altercation outside the Wendy's at 1054 East Broad Street in Columbus. One of the vehicles involved was the same vehicle that had been involved in the earlier Polaris Macy's shoplifting incident.

"Mr. Woods was taken into custody," O'Brien said. "Macy's loss prevention officers later identified him from a photo lineup."

Woods is charged with two counts of aggravated robbery with a gun specification – both first-degree felonies, one count of tampering with evidence – a third-degree felony, receiving stolen property – a fourth-degree felony, carrying concealed weapons – a fourth-degree felony, and theft – a fifth-degree felony.

An arraignment hearing has not yet been set.