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DELAWARE MAN INDICTED ON 16 COUNTS OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY



A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned a 16-count indictment against 37-year-old Brian Justin Eley.

Charges come after law enforcement received a cyber tip from the National Center For Missing And Exploited Children (NCMEC) via the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) task force.

B. Eley

The cyber tip came through to Delaware Police on January 3, 2019.

“The tip connected child pornography images with the photo-sharing service known as SmugMug-Flickr,” said Acting Prosecutor Christopher Betts. “The internet-based account was linked to Mr. Eley.”

Police conducted a search warrant of Mr. Eley’s home. Eley is charged with 16 counts of illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material – all second-degree felonies.

An arraignment date for Eley has not yet been set.

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COLUMBUS MAN INDICTED AFTER VEHICLE IS SOLD WITH MODIFIED MILEAGE

A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned an indictment against 25-year-old Shane W. Ortega.

Charges come after the Bureau of Motor Vehicles Investigations Unit was notified of a questionable transaction initiated through Facebook Marketplace.

"A man reported he'd recently purchased a 2006 Honda Ridgeline with 145,000 miles for \$6,450," said Acting Prosecutor Christopher Betts. "The reportee went on to say that he believed the person who sold him the Honda, Shane Ortega, had purchased it just three days prior for \$3,300, and that the odometer at that time read 337,724 miles."

Ortega is charged with tampering with records – a third-degree felony, tampering with an odometer – a fifth-degree felony, and theft – a fifth-degree felony.

"Unfortunately, online scams and buyer beware stories are part of our daily lives," said Betts. "When buying a vehicle in particular, it's beneficial to go to the title agency together; that way if there are any issues with the title or anything else, those issues can be resolved before money changes hands."

Other helpful tools when purchasing a vehicle include requesting or purchasing a vehicle history report. Such a report is available for buyers and sellers alike through various online vendors. These reports use the VIN number to detail things such as maintenance and ownership history as well as if the vehicle has been involved in a crash and more.

Visiting the state of Ohio website and doing a title search may also help in understanding the history of the for sale vehicle.

An arraignment date for Ortega is not yet set.

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BOND SET FOR DELAWARE MAN INDICTED ON CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES



Bond is set at \$750,000 for 37-year-old Brian Justin Eley.

Eley was charged with 16 counts of illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material – all second-degree felonies, after law enforcement received a cyber tip from the National Center For Missing And Exploited Children (NCMEC) via the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) task force.

B. Eley

“The tip connected child pornography images with the photo-sharing service known as SmugMug-Flickr,” said Acting Prosecutor Christopher Betts. “The internet-based account was linked to Mr. Eley.”

A trial has been scheduled for May 21, 2019.

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DUBLIN MAN CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTED MURDER AFTER STABBING



A. Packard

A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned a four-count indictment against 28-year-old Ashton Packard.

Charges come after law enforcement responded to a Dublin residence after receiving a call for help on March 7, 2019.

"A female victim reported she and her husband were hiding in a bathroom after being attacked by her son with a knife," said Acting Prosecutor Christopher Betts. "On scene, the couple was located, treated, and ultimately transported to Riverside Hospital with multiple injuries."

The suspect, Ashton Packard, was located in the neighborhood a couple hours later.

"Mr. Packard had fled the scene by the time authorities arrived," Betts said. "Neighboring law enforcement agencies, two K9 units, and a helicopter unit from the Ohio State Highway Patrol worked together to locate and detain him."

Packard is charged with two counts of attempted murder – both first-degree felonies, and two counts of felonious assault – both second-degree felonies. He is in the Delaware County Jail awaiting arraignment.

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CARDINGTON MAN INDICTED AFTER MULTIPLE BURGLARIES IN SUNBURY



C. Marquette

A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned a six-count indictment against Cody Austin Marquette.

Charges come after a Sunbury resident called authorities to report missing items just before 6 a.m. on the morning of December 11, 2018.

"The homeowner heard the garage door open, and upon inspection, found that tennis rackets and Frisbee golf discs were missing from the vehicle in the driveway," said Acting Prosecutor Chris Betts. "Around that same time, a similar complaint came in from another resident on the same street."

The resident at the secondary location reported two chainsaws missing from his barn. He also stated his truck had been gone through, and someone had tried to unhook its trailer.

"While the first two calls were being investigated, yet another homeowner called to report an unknown male on their property who was attempting to steal items in the driveway area," Betts said. "The homeowner fired two shots at the suspect vehicle, a gray minivan, which then backed out of the driveway and became stuck in a ditch."

The suspect fled on foot and was detained later in the day when a resident called to report a suspicious person matching his description.

"Authorities searched the minivan, which was determined to be stolen, and found the items that were reported missing," Betts said. "They also found a leaf blower and plastic totes from a fourth location."

Marquette is charged with two counts of burglary – second-degree felonies, two counts of breaking and entering – fifth-degree felonies, one count of receiving stolen property – a fourth-degree felony, and obstructing official business – a fifth-degree felony.

An arraignment date is not yet set.

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COLUMBUS DUO SENTENCED AFTER JC PENNEY INCIDENT

A Delaware County Grand Jury indicted Sean Queener Jr. and Tiffany Hughes after a June 4th, 2018 incident at the JC Penney store in Polaris.

Queener and Hughes were on surveillance video trying to exit the store with unpaid merchandise. In their attempt to flee, a loss prevention officer but was injured.

Hughes, 24, pleaded guilty to theft and obstructing justice. She was sentenced to two years post release control and 40 hours community service.

Queener, 26, pleaded guilty to robbery in this case, and receiving stolen property in another case. He was sentenced to 45 months in prison and up to three years community control. Both Queener and Hughes were ordered to pay restitution to JC Penney's in the amount of \$250.



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**UPPER ARLINGTON MAN SENTENCED AFTER
CRASH CAUSES INJURY TO MULTIPLE PASSENGERS**

David A. Crawford, 37, was sentenced to two and a half years community control, his driver's license suspended for four years, and he must pay a \$600 fine. The judge also ordered three days in jail or the completion of a driver intervention program.

Crawford pleaded guilty to a bill of information in January. Charges included three counts of vehicular assault and one count of OVI.

Charges came after law enforcement responded to a single vehicle injury crash on Muirfield Court in Dublin on the evening of June 1, 2018.

A BMW left the roadway and was found heavily damaged resting in the ditch of a residential neighborhood. Two male passengers were in the grass beside the vehicle, while another male passenger was trapped in the backseat.

The driver, David Crawford, was outside the vehicle and refused medical treatment. He was observed to have glassy eyes, slurred speech, and there was an odor of alcohol about his person.





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APRIL SENTENCING SET FOR TEEN INDICTED AFTER DRUG-RELATED SHOOTING



Dajuan Woods, of Lewis Center, pleaded guilty to aggravated robbery – a first-degree felony, and felonious assault – a second-degree felony. Both carry a gun specification.

The 18-year-old was charged after Columbus Police responded to a call that a woman had been shot in the lower jaw in the area of Lazelle Commons Drive on October 21, 2018.

D. Woods On scene the injured woman identified her attacker, who was located a short time later walking away from the area. A firearm was located among bushes and trees, wrapped in clothing and covered in leaves.

The shooting occurred during a drug deal.

A sentencing hearing has been set for April 29, 2019.

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FATHER/SON DUO INDICTED FOR TAKING/SELLING TRAILERS

A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned an 11-count indictment against 42-year-old Jessie Hunter Sr. and 22-year-old Jessie Hunter Jr.

Charges come after authorities in both Delaware and Union Counties received multiple reports of missing trailers from August 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017.

"Callers reported trailers disappearing from driveways and job sites," said Acting Prosecutor Chris Betts. "The trailers were taken at night and almost immediately listed for sale on apps such as LetGo, Facebook Marketplace, OfferUp, and Craigslist.

Hunter Sr., from Marysville and Hunter Jr., from Columbus are each charged with engaging in a pattern of corrupt activity – a first-degree felony, five counts of breaking and entering – all fifth-degree felonies, four counts of telecommunications fraud – fourth-degree felonies, and one count telecommunications fraud – a fifth-degree felony.

Arraignment dates for Hunter Sr. and Hunter Jr. are not yet set.