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**MT. GILEAD MAN INDICTED AFTER HIGH-SPEED CHASE**



A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned an indictment against 22-year-old Austin Dean Schnars of Mt. Gilead, Ohio.

Just before midnight on April 23, 2018, Sunbury Police attempted to stop a vehicle driven by Schnars. The car had no license plate light and was weaving on State Route 3. Schnars did not stop and instead sped up and led law enforcement on a high-speed chase from Delaware to Morrow County.

**A. Schnars**

"Speeds during the pursuit exceeded 100 miles per hour," said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O'Brien. "Mr. Schnars did not stop at multiple stop signs, passed vehicles on the wrong side of the road, and disregarded the safety of other motorists as well as the responding officers."

The vehicle ultimately ran off the road into a cornfield. Schnars and a passenger fled on foot. Both were apprehended shortly thereafter.

Schnars is charged with failure to comply with order or signal of police officer – a third-degree felony, having weapons while under disability – a third-degree felony, and improperly handling firearms in a motor vehicle – a fourth-degree felony.

"We are thankful no one was seriously hurt during the pursuit and apprehension of Mr. Schnars," O'Brien said. "This serves as a good reminder that if you are driving and see a law enforcement vehicle with overhead lights on, or hear sirens, to pull over as far as you can out of harm's way, and give the officers plenty of room to do their job."

An arraignment date for Schnars is not yet set.

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**COLUMBUS MAN INDICTED AFTER HIGH-SPEED CHASE**



**T. Harris**

A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned an indictment against 20-year-old Timothy Lamont Harris Jr., of Columbus.

Charges come after a May 8, 2018 call to law enforcement that a silver Honda was travelling at a high rate of speed on Interstate 71 north.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol located the vehicle and initiated a traffic stop, but the driver ignored the lights and sirens, and instead led law enforcement on a high-speed chase.

“Speeds reached more than 120 mph,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “The suspect car passed other vehicles on the berm, went left of center, and made multiple unsafe lane changes.”

The pursuit went from Delaware to Morrow County, and back to Delaware County again via Interstate 71 and State Route 61.

“The vehicle eventually ran off the roadway into a private drive,” O’Brien said. “When law enforcement ran the license plates, the car came back as stolen.”

Harris is charged with failure to comply with order or signal of police officer – a third-degree felony, and receiving stolen property – a fourth-degree felony.

There were no injuries during the pursuit, and Harris was taken into custody without incident. He is in jail awaiting arraignment, which is not yet scheduled.

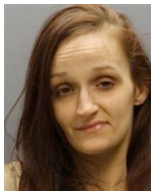
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**CAR BREAK-INS LEAD TO INDICTMENT**



A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned a 12-count indictment against 26-year-old Tarra Temple of Columbus.

Charges come after a series of calls to law enforcement regarding car break-ins in both Delaware and Franklin Counties from May 3, 2016 through June 11, 2016.

***T. Temple***

“Reports to law enforcement were spread across various agencies including the Delaware County Sheriff’s Office, Powell Police, and the Upper Arlington and New Albany Police Departments as well,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “Items reported missing included credit cards, camera equipment, gift cards, a gps system, tools, a laptop, a purse and wallet, and more.”

An investigation led authorities to a residence where Temple was staying, and a search turned up some of the items that had been reported missing. Further investigation revealed several of the stolen credit cards had been used at local retailers including Kroger, Target, Speedway, and White Castle.

Temple is charged with nine counts of receiving stolen property – all fifth-degree felonies, and three counts of theft – also fifth-degree felonies.

An arraignment date is not yet set.