Several lodged in Pike County Detention Center

A News-Express Staff Report

Several individuals were recently arrested and lodged in the Pike County Detention Center. Those arrested, according to the booking log at the jail, included:

Thursday, Aug. 28

Constantin Lacatus, 44, 69th Street, New York, contempt of court.

Byron M. Collar, 28, Cypress Alley, Pikeville, failure to appear.

Johnda Tackett, 39, Fish Pond Bottom, Elkhorn City, failure to appear.

Jacqueline Holbrook, 36, Mitchell Lane, Leburn, non-payment of fines.

Friday, Aug. 29

Marc Kirksey, 22, Hollywood Drive, Akron, Ohio, public intoxication and resisting arrest.

Joshia Lampley, 21, Akron,

Ohio, public intoxication.

Nathanael R. Tackett, 44, Cougar Drive, Elkhorn City, violation of a Kentucky emergency protective order and failure to appear.

Trevontee Cain, 21, McKinley Avenue, Akron, Ohio, public intoxication and possession of marijuana.

Lavaile Thomas, 19, Minerva Place, Akron, Ohio, DUI (first offense), giving an officer false identifying information and traffic violations.

Jody Hawley, 32, Ferguson Lane, Pikeville, failure to appear.

Lawrence Junior, 28, Hazel Street, Louisville, failure to appear and contempt of court.

James K. Bunch, 49, Pikeville, contempt of court.

Melissa Collins, 48, Fern

Drive, Wellington, failure to appear.

Bradley Kanes, 46, Millard

Highway, Pikeville, failure to

appear.

Saturday, Aug. 30

Hunter Mullins, 26, Strahl Drive, Rogersville, Tenn., DUI (first offense), possession of an open alcoholic beverage container in a motor vehicle and traffic violations.

Harold Swiney, 57, Jacksons Branch Road, Elhorn City, first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine, first offense), possession of drug paraphernalia and traffic violations.

Jeffrey Paul Rhinehart, 30, Savanna Circle, Mount Sinai, N.Y., alcohol intoxication.

Dalton Cole Swindall, 25, Elkhorn Creek, Ashcamp, alcohol intoxication.

Sunday, Aug. 31

Samuel J. Nobel, 37, first-degree indecent exposure, public intoxication, third-degree possession of a controlled sub-

stance, prescription controlled substance not in proper container and first-degree promoting contraband.

Larry Hopkins, 76, Lick Branch, Shelbiana, failure to appear.

Jeremy Bryan Keene, 39, Marrowbone Creek Road, Elkhorn City, alcohol intoxication.

Warren Blackburn, 33, Warren Drive, David, alcohol intoxication.

Harold Austin Sanders, 26, Jessietown Road, Campbellsville, alcohol intoxication.

Shelby R. Slone, 35, Eutaw

Avenue, Delbarton, W.Va., DUI (first offense).

Danny Keith Whitt, 25,
Lick Branch, Belfry, DUI (first

offense).

Jasonlee D. Osborne, 25,
Canary Road, Grundy, Va.,
DUI (first offense) and traffic

Isaac Everett Toler, 29, Pineville, W.Va., alcohol intox-

ication.

Lilly Gail Toler, 25, Shannon Mill Creek Road, Brenton, W.Va., DUI (first offense).

Bobby Wayne Cummings, 34, River Drive Avenue, Pineville, W.Va., DUI (first of-

Cody A. Vanderpool II, Johns Branch, Langley, DUI (first offense), possession of an open alcoholic beverage container in a motor vehicle and traffic violations.

Jon Cary Cooper Martin, 22, Ky. 1428, Prestonsburg, DUI (first offense).

Paul Zane Mahew, 67, Third Street, Pikeville, DUI (first offense).

Editor's note: The above list reflects people lodged in the Pike County Detention Center. The charges against them are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent until, if and when, they are proven guilty or enter a guilty plea.

KSP: Pedestrian killed in Pike crash

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A traffic crash in the South Williamson area has resulted in the death of a West Virginia woman.

According to a statement from Kentucky State Police Public Affairs Officer Trooper Michael Coleman, Meghan Jones, 36, of Williamson, West Virginia, was attempting to cross U.S. 119 on foot around 8:30 p.m. Aug. 28 when she was struck by a vehicle traveling southbound.

The vehicle was a black Audi A3, Coleman wrote in the release.

Jones was pronounced dead on the scene by the Pike County Coroner's Office.

The crash is still under investigation by KSP Accident Reconstructionist Trooper Matt Smith, according to the release.

The KSP was assisted on the scene by the Belfry Volunteer Fire Department and Appalachian First Response Ambulance Service.

Federal indictment issued in Pike child porn case

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A Pike man has been indicted by a federal grand jury on a charge of possession of child pornography.

According to the indictment, handed down by a federal grand jury in London, Michael Wayne Hilliary, 57, of Board Fork, McCarr, faces a maximum prison sentence of 20 years if convicted of the charge.

The indictment charges that Hillary possessed electronic storage media which contained visual depictions, the production of which involved the use of a prepubescent minor or a minor who had not attained 12 years of age engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

Hilliary was originally arrested in May after the Kentucky Attorney General's Office executed a search warrant on his residence. The search resulted as part of an investigation involving internet crimes against children, Shelby Guffey of the AG's office wrote in a criminal citation filed against Hilliary.

"While on scene, I observed a file in the downloads folder under (Hilliary's) user name on his computer," Guffey wrote. "The file contained at least 20 images/videos of child sex materials. The images were of prepubescent children under the age of 12 years."

The citation said Hilliary, after receiving his Miranda warning, allegedly admitted to downloading the images; that the computer belonged to him; and gave investigators the password to the device.

Hilliary, according to jail records, was lodged in the Pike County Detention Center as of presstime on Aug. 28.

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Development. "We (the USDA) are focused on improving the quality of life in rural Kentucky. President Trump and (USDA) Secretary Brook Rollins are committed to ushering in a new era of prosperity for rural America.

"The way we do that is through ideas and projects like we are here to celebrate today," he continued. "This is going to have a lasting impact on our region, not just on the health of our citizens but on the creation of jobs and the creation of opportunity here in Pikeville and throughout Eastern Kentucky."

He said that part of improving the regional quality of life includes ensuring a healthy population.

"Access to dental care can be a challenge," he said. "This institution, this community, is facing that head-on. The work you have put into making today possible is going to go leaps and bounds towards changing that in rural Kentucky."

Burton announced that the University of Pikeville Tanner School of Dental Medicine will be the recipient of \$53.3 million in USDA grants and \$3 million in guaranteed loans.

"We are thrilled that we are able to work with you and be a partner with you on this project," he said.

As he made the formal announcement, Burton dovetailed on a statement

made by Dr. Jill Keeton, dean of the TCDM, who said the new dental school would officially begin accepting student applications Sept. 1.

"That is so exciting," Burton said. "Sept. 1. That is the first day of applications. What a perfect day to celebrate this than on the eve of that day."

Also, during the event, University of Pikeville President Burton Webb announced the Kentucky Commission on Dental Accreditation has fully accredited TCDM.

"We are very proud of that," he said. "You have not seen a big announcement about that yet because KODA posted our approval on their website and still has yet to give us the official letter."

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proposes to take to "offset customer rate impacts," including:

• A capital structure that reduces the company's equity layer which, in turn, reduces the company's weighted average cost of capital;

- The 10 percent return on equity proposed is the lowest recommended by the expert used by the
- company;

 The company is not proposing to adjust de-

preciation rates for the

Mitchell Plant, which would reduce immediate bill impacts to customers and allow the company to pursue securitization of the Mitchell Plant investments; and

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• The company is proposing to remove storm expense from base rates and be authorized to automatically establish regulatory assets for all storm costs incurred, which would have immediate bill impacts to customers and allow the company to pursue securitization for

storm costs.

The Kentucky Power rate case is before the PSC under case number 2025-00257. To issue comments in the case, visit the PSC website at psc.ky.gov/Case/SearchCasesPublic-Comments.

The PSC record

shows that numerous public comments have already been submitted in the case, many before the application was officially filed. Kentucky Attorney General Russell Coleman's office has been granted intervenor status in the case.