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Traffic stop nets drug arrests

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Just after 3:30 a.m. in the early morning hours of Sunday, Oct. 14, Carlisle Police Officer Kenneth Brockman stopped a 2001 Grand Prix at the intersection of Market Street and South Locust.

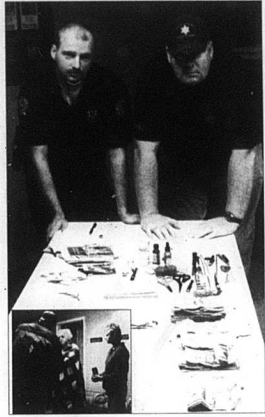
Brockman was operating on a report that the vehicle had been observed weaving on Market Street.

When the vehicle came to a stop, the driver Cathy Myers, 45, of Gravel Road, Carlisle was observed staggering as she exited the vehicle.

Brockman's report said Myers had been drinking. She said she had not, but a bottle of Fuzzy Navel was in plain sight.

Brockman asked Myers if she was on medicine and she stated she was, according to his report.

After obtaining permission to search the vehicle from Myers, Brockman reports he found what appeared to be cocaine, another white powder substance, a large



Photos by Hank Bond
Carlisle Officer Kenneth Brockman, left, and Nicholas County Deputy Sheriff Bennie Buckler display some of the items discovered during an arrest Sunday morning. Inset picture: Nicholas County Jailer Jeff Sidles places handcuffs on Pamela Glass, middle, and Cathy Myers.

Dunn is captured

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A fugitive from the law for several months was taken into custody, by Sgt. Booth, Sat. Oct. 13.

"I'm relieved," Jeffrey Dunn said as he was escorted from the Carlisle Police Station by Nicholas County Jailer Jeff Sidles, on his way to the Montgomery County Jail Saturday afternoon. "I'm glad it's over and I'm ready to get this process started."

Dunn, 25, formerly of Dunn Road, Carlisle, has been indicted by two separate Nicholas County grand juries for four counts of trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree, and being a persistent felony offender.

"I was on a routine patrol for our Youth Hunt this weekend near the Cameron Farm approximately 1.5 miles from the Dunn house," Booth said. "At approximately 10:45 a.m., I heard some dogs barking and saw a 4-wheeler tracks on the ground so I followed the tracks and kept watching ahead. I thought I saw Jeffrey Dunn on the 4-wheeler."

Sgt. Booth, who has quietly, yet efficiently patrolled the woods and streams of the area for 33 years as a Wildlife and Conservation officer, was able to approach Dunn undetected until he was within arm's reach.

"I touched his shoulder and told him not to move. He offered no resistance," Booth said.

Booth brought Dunn to the Carlisle Police Station for processing.

Kentucky State Police Detective Brett Kirkland had previously testified to the grand jury against Dunn, and he was also present for part of the interrogation against Dunn following the arrest.

"I'm very glad Mr. Dunn was apprehended without incident," Kirkland said.

As Dunn was escorted from the police station by Sidles he spoke briefly.

"I was never armed and dangerous," he said with an easy smile. "I've never had any assault or firearms charges against me."

Group is readying packages

Members of the community are now able to express their appreciation to members of the local National Guard unit by participating in a special Christmas project.

The Family Readiness Group for the Carlisle National Guard Unit, B BTRY 2138th FA, is preparing individual care packages for all of the soldiers for Christmas.

"We want to get the local communities involved in helping with this project," said Alicia Hughes, FRG officer and one of the project coordinators. "We are in need of items to be donated in order to fill the packages."

There are over 180 soldiers (male and a few female) and items may be dropped off at the Carlisle Army during regular business hours from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday - Friday during the month of October, but please call ahead at 289-5117 to make sure someone will be there. There will be boxes in the classroom to put the items in. The armory will also be open October 27 from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. Recommended items that can be donated are:

Food items: hard candy, Twizzlers, Beef Jerky, Canned Fruit, Cereal bars, Pop-tarts, Tuna kits, Microwave meals (beef stew, Mac n cheese, spaghetti, ravioli, etc), Any snacks (crackers, cookies, etc), Seasonings/Drinks: Gatorade, Powdered Drink Mixes, Tea bags Correspondence: Writing Paper, Envelopes, Post/Postcard, Crossword puzzles, Word search puzzles, Playing cards, Toiletries/hygiene: Baby wipes, Chap stick, Eye drops, Deodorant, Foot powder, Hand lotion, Hand sanitizer, Q-tips, Razors (disposable), Shampoo, Soap, Tissues, Toilet paper, Tylenol, Waa-rags, Mouthwash, Toothpaste

Other: DVD movies (new or used), Pre-paid Phone Cards (International), Zip lock Bags, Shoe insole cushions, Sock

If you would rather donate money for the FRG to purchase items you can make checks payable to B BTRY 2138th FRG or purchase gift cards. We are also in need of empty shoeboxes to use for the care packages. We are planning on having the packages ready to mail by the middle of November so the soldiers will receive them before Christmas. If you have any questions, you can contact Alicia Hughes at (859) 289-4496.

Other items Dinty Moore beef stew, Chef Boyardee lasagna/ravioli, Hamburger helper singles, Easy Mac N Cheese singles, and seasonings.

Abnee pleads not guilty to charges

A Nicholas County man accused of stealing a police cruiser in the wake of a high speed chase appeared in Nicholas County District Court last week and entered a plea of not guilty.

Joshua Abnee, 28, of Carlisle appeared before District Judge the Honorable William Probus Oct. 11 to answer to charges of theft by unlawful taking (auto), fleeing and evading, second degree, and operating on a suspended license.

Those charges came after a Sept. 22 high-speed chase involving a 2001 red Chevy pickup truck driven by Jeremy Dunn and a police cruiser driven Carlisle Police Officer Michael Kiskaden.

Abnee was allegedly a passenger in Dunn's truck.

When Dunn finally pulled over near his home on Dunn Road, approximately five miles from where the chase began, he ran, and while Officer Kiskaden apprehended Dunn, Abnee allegedly drove away in Kiskaden's cruiser, driving it approximately 100 yards before parking it and disappearing into the night.

He remained a fugitive for approximately 15 days before being arrested without incident at his mother's home in Carlisle by Kiskaden, and fellow Carlisle Police Officers Tim Layns and Kenneth Brockman Oct. 7.

Photos by Charles Mattox



In the picture on the left, Jeremy Dunn, left, talks with Josh Abnee, while Nicholas County Jailer Jeff Sidles looks on. Right, fugitive Jeffrey Dunn was captured by Sgt. Herb Booth and shown with Sidles on his way to Montgomery County. All accused face criminal charges in Nicholas County District Court.

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Baber to seek 72nd KY House seat

Roy T. Baber, former Bourbon County Judge-Executive and city of North Middletown Mayor, City Councilman and Police Judge Pro-Tem will seek the 72nd District State Legislative seat.

Baber, a lifelong resident of Bourbon County has filed with the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance to indicate his intention of becoming a candidate for the office of state representative.

The office is not vacant at this time and a candidate cannot officially file until after the November general election. There is the possibility the office may become vacant if Carolyn Belcher, the current representative is a successful candidate for the Bath County Judge-Executive race.

If that occurs there will be a special election either in late November or more than likely in December, for each political party to select a candidate to run in the special election. If that occurs, Baber has said he will be seeking that nomination and he will also file to seek a full term in the May 2008 primary election.

Besides having served two terms as county judge-executive, mayor, city councilman and police judge pro-tem, he has been in the health care industry for the

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