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## Carlisle couple charged with arson

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A Carlisle couple was arrested March 25; in the wake of a fire police say they deliberately set at Hall's Apartments along Main Street in downtown Carlisle, during the evening of March 24.

Carlisle Police Officer Mark Snedegar arrested Joey Trimble, 36, on March 25. Trimble was a former resident of Hall's Apartments, located on West Main Street, Carlisle. Trimble and his alleged girlfriend, Phylcia J. Peterson, 20, formerly were residents in Apartment one of the building, according to police.

Snedegar charged Trimble and Peterson with arson, first degree, seven counts of wanton endangerment, first degree, one count of criminal mischief, first degree, and two counts of assault, third

degree.

"Mr. Trimble set fire in his apartment attempting to burn the entire building and everyone in it," Snedegar wrote on Trimble's arrest citation. "Fire was started in floor with clothing."

Snedegar also noted on the Peterson citation that she "accompanied" Trimble and that the apartment building held ten apartments in four floors. Snedegar also noted on the citations that seven people were living in the apartment, at the time of the fire, besides Trimble and Peterson. Snedegar also noted that two people were injured while trying to extinguish the fire. Snedegar wrote on the citation that Trimble was "upset due to having property taken from him earlier."

Carlisle Chief of Police William Denton praised Snedegar's investigation.

"Officer Snedegar conducted a very thorough investigation," Chief Denton said.

Trimble and Peterson are scheduled to appear in Nicholas District Court "Arraj 1," for their formal arraignments.

Emergency services personnel blocked off West Main Street while ensuring the fire was completely extinguished and the injured were treated.

Trimble was arrested the following day in Paris, with Peterson turning herself in to Carlisle Police the same day.

Officer Snedegar praised the efforts of local dispatch workers and members of the Paris Police Department who he said helped him in the investigation.

"Mr. Trimble made no statement of note but Miss Peterson is cooperating," he added.



Photo by Josh Harpaz

Joey Trimble and Phylcia Peterson were charged with arson and seven counts of wanton endangerment following their alleged act of arson at Hall's Apartment in downtown Carlisle, which occurred on Tuesday, March 24, 2009.

## Pre-trial conference for Orazen rescheduled

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Former NCHS Principal Francis Joe Orazen will not be in Nicholas District Court today as previously scheduled for a pre-trial conference regarding his charge of assault, fourth degree, against a student.

Nicholas District Court Judge Honorable Jay Delaney rescheduled Orazen's pre-trial conference for April 15, "due to a conflict in the court's schedule," according to an order written by Judge Delaney March 18.

Special prosecutor William Kuster filed a response to Orazen's Motion

For Discovery And Inspection, several weeks ago and objected to several requests made by Orazen through his attorney David Franklin.

Kuster objected to several requests including "the records of Lafayette High School with regard to all disciplinary actions" taken against Mr. (Dusty) Green during the 2008 school year." Wright also objected to Franklin's request regarding all disciplinary action taken against Mr. Green, during the 2008-09 school year.

"These records are confidential student records and no more pertinent to this action than the disci-

plinary actions and record as against the defendant for any previous tenures," Kuster responded as part of the Response to Motion For Discovery And Inspection.

Orazen was arrested Feb. 18 in the wake of a Feb 10 incident at Nicholas County High School, during which Orazen confronted and physically restrained student Dusty Green by lifting him off the ground and forcefully placing him face down.

Orazen was later arrested and charged with assault, fourth degree. He entered a plea of not guilty during his arraignment in Nicholas District Court March 4.



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Peggy Seithers, left, Health Educator with WEDCO District, and Carlisle Chief of Police William Denton, right, are tying blue ribbons around Carlisle Police Cruisers as part of an awareness policy designed to help members of the community battle child abuse. April is designated as Child Abuse Prevention Month. There were 96 documented instances of 116 children being abused last year in Nicholas County. Seithers and Denton encourage all citizens to contact the police if they see any abuse. "As long as we take care of each other we will continue to have a good community," Denton said. Seithers and Denton encourage everyone in Nicholas County to place blue ribbons on their vehicles and around their homes to help bring awareness to child abuse.



Photo by Larry Curry

Fred Burnaw, left, owner of Fred Burnaw Auto Sales and Towing, prepares to extract a 2004 GMC Envoy that was perched on a gas line Friday. The GMC belongs to David Foster of Mocking Bird Lane, Carlisle. Foster lost control of the vehicle Friday, which left the roadway near the East End of Carlisle. No injuries were reported as a result.

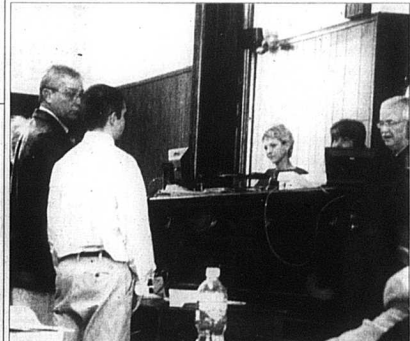


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Garrett Young, center right, stands before District Judge Honorable William Prabut last Wednesday, March 25, with his attorney Raymond Bogucki, on Young's left. Young entered a plea of not guilty to felony charges of arson, third degree, and criminal mischief, first degree. He is scheduled to return to court April 22, for a preliminary hearing.

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