

July Term 2019 Grand Jury Indictments

The following individuals were indicted during the July Term 2019 of the Union County Grand Jury:

Kaleb Chase Bonner, five counts statutory rape; four counts aggravated child molestation; two counts child molestation.

Jean-Gabriel Hunter Betancourt, criminal attempt to commit rape; aggravated child molestation; three counts child molestation; enticing a child for indecent purposes.

James Mykal Grubbs, statutory rape; computer pornography.

Shawnetta Dawn Reece, two counts child molestation; three counts sexual assault of a student.

Marke Jama Holland Sr., aka Buddha, aka Boode, violation of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO); five counts sale of cocaine; possession of cocaine with intent to distribute; possession of marijuana with intent to distribute; possession of drug-related objects; four counts illegal use of a communication facility; two counts possession of a firearm by a convicted felon; recidivist (prior conviction for assault).

Deanna Mary Williamson, possession of cocaine with intent to distribute; possession of marijuana with

intent to distribute; possession of drug-related objects.

Barry Joe King, aggravated assault, Family Violence; aggravated battery, Family Violence; recidivist (prior convictions for felony obstruction of an officer, distribution of Schedule IV controlled substances).

Dustin Lloyd Smith, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon; driving without a license; recidivist (prior convictions for felony fleeing and eluding, burglary of a dwelling, three counts felony petit theft).

Fred Roger Dale Weaver, possession of methamphetamine; possession of drug-related objects; defective windshield; open container.

Kevin Lee Payne; aggravated assault.

Candie Sue Merritt, three counts identity fraud; three counts criminal attempt to commit identity fraud.

Carl Wallace Merritt, three counts identity fraud; three counts criminal attempt to commit identity fraud; recidivist (prior convictions for grant theft larceny, burglary of a structure, robbery, dealing in stolen property, felony battery).

James Carlos Sparks Jr., two counts terroristic threats; two counts driving under the influence (less safe) (alcohol).

Joshua Paul Trahan, criminal damage to property in the second degree; simple battery, Family Violence; cruelty to children in the third degree; obstruction of an officer.

Danielle Aubrie Wadman, simple battery, Family Violence; cruelty to children in the third degree; obstruction of an officer.

Aurelio Garcia, driving under the influence; habitual violator; open container; failure to maintain lane.

Andrew Glenn Loyd, theft by taking; possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony.

Shannon Lynn Ledford, aggravated assault.

William LG Franklin, financial transaction card theft; theft of lost or mislaid property; theft by taking.

Lewis Dylan Stone, two counts aggravated assault; pointing a gun or pistol at another; terroristic threats.

Gilbert Harold Baldwin, theft by taking.

Patrick Christopher Stribling, aggravated assault; simple battery, Family Violence.

Cassidy Patrick Peak, two counts terroristic threats.

Crystal LeAnn Carter; criminal attempt to commit murder; aggravated assault.

Robert Thomas Kolar Jr., aka Michael Kolar, aka Michael J. Kolar, three counts forgery in the first degree; recidivist (prior convictions for terroristic threats, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon).

Allison Ann Nation, two counts possession of a controlled substance; possession of marijuana with intent to distribute; possession of marijuana, less than an ounce; two counts possession of drug-related objects.

Eddie Lanier Nation, three counts sale of marijuana; illegal use of a communication facility; two counts possession of a controlled substance; possession of marijuana with intent to distribute; possession of marijuana, less than an ounce; two counts possession of drug-related objects; possession of a firearm by a first offender probationer.

Alan Foster DeLoach, possession of methamphetamine; recidivist (prior convictions for aggravated stalking x2, cruelty to children in the second degree, financial transaction card fraud).

Steven Michael Langford Jr., three counts illegal use of a communication facility.

Walter Shane Spiva, violation of the Georgia Controlled Substances Act; illegal use of a communication facility.

Jamie Lynn Sullivan, sale of a Schedule II controlled substance; illegal use of a communication facility.

Stephanie Miranda Neace, sale of methamphetamine; illegal use of a communication facility; possession of methamphetamine; possession of drug-related objects; open container.

Joseph Daniel Burton, possession of methamphetamine; two counts possession of drug-related objects; manufacture of marijuana; possession of marijuana, less than an ounce.

Kara Dorothy Chaves, possession of methamphetamine; two counts possession of drug-related objects; manufacture of marijuana; possession of marijuana, less than an ounce.

Jesse Ivan Nichols, two counts sale of methamphetamine; illegal use of a communication facility; trafficking methamphetamine or amphetamine; recidivist (prior convictions for trafficking in methamphetamine, theft by taking).

Megan Mary Ross, trafficking in methamphetamine or amphetamine; recidivist (prior convictions for forgery in the first degree, theft by taking).

Allison Marie Craft, forgery in the third degree; theft by taking; 20 counts forgery in the fourth degree.

David Lamar Lovell Sr., possession of a controlled substance; driving while license revoked; possession of drug-related objects; open container.

Kristen Maybell Cain, theft by taking; criminal damage to property in the second degree; criminal trespass; recidivist (prior convictions for felony fleeing or eluding, burglary of a dwelling, felony petit theft x3).

Jamie Willis Whitener,

possession of a Schedule I controlled substance; driving without a license; recidivist (prior convictions for possession of stolen goods, robbery with a dangerous weapon, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, fleeing or attempting to elude).

Stephen Ashe, theft by receiving stolen property; theft by bringing stolen property into state; theft by deception.

Hope Carson Basner, five counts sale of methamphetamine; possession of methamphetamine; three counts sale of hydrocodone; two counts sale of morphine; four counts illegal use of a communication facility.

Nicholas Robert Jones, theft by taking; recidivist (prior conviction for theft by taking).

Raymond Donald Graphman III, three counts sale of marijuana; three counts illegal use of a communication facility.

Jonathan Alexander Campbell, sale of methamphetamine.

Robert James Allen, two counts deposit account fraud; theft by deception.

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paper ballot savings, the EMC will be saving an additional \$20,000 on this year's annual meeting by cutting advertising costs, forgoing door prizes and holding the event during the week at co-op headquarters in Young Harris, on Thursday, Sept. 26.

The annual meeting cost about \$100,000 in 2018, so the \$55,000 savings in 2019 will result in a cost reduction of more than 50% for the annual gathering of the membership.

Also in the July 15 regular meeting, directors signaled their continued support of the EMC being a conduit for local development by helping Chatuge Regional Hospital secure a \$2 million loan through the USDA Rural Economic Development Loan & Grant Program.

All funds will be borrowed at zero interest, and the EMC will act as a passthrough for the funding, which will help the hospital to build new medical facilities in Hiawassee and in Hayesville, North Carolina.

The process is still in the paperwork stage and should be finalized in the coming months.

In other co-op news, EMC General Manager Jeremy Nelms discussed the board's recent approval for access to about \$39 million in federal loan funds, which the EMC will draw down on as needed for capital projects in the next four years.

"My intention is not to borrow this entire sum of money," Nelms said in the July board meeting, pointing out that it's better to have low-interest loan money available if needed rather than raising rates to accommodate future growth and projects.

Nelms said that, moving forward, he would seek the board's permission before using any loan money to fund projects.

The board voted that evening to accept the funds by approving a USDA Rural Utilities Service loan resolution and corresponding documents.

On the rate front, Nelms announced that new Tennessee Valley Authority CEO Jeff Lyash said he would be advising the TVA Board not to implement any more of the planned TVA rate increases, which have been carried out for years to help the TVA modernize and pay down debt.

This means that the 1.5% wholesale rate increase on the energy portion of member electric bills that was expected to occur this October as a result of TVA's impending rate action will, in all likelihood, not take place.

The next EMC Board Meeting will be on Monday, Aug. 12, at 6 p.m. inside EMC headquarters in Young Harris. All members are welcome to attend, with attendance forms available at brmemc.com.