

The Prosecutor's Report



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from Mat Heck, Jr., Prosecuting Attorney

The Prosecutor's Report is the monthly newsletter to the community from the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office.

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Sentencings

In February, 2019, we disposed of 241 cases. The Judges sentenced the defendants in those cases as follows:

- 53.9% received Community Control Sanctions (probation)
- 18.3% were sentenced to the penitentiary
- 21.2% were granted Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (ILC)
- 6.6% received local jail time, or local jail time plus probation

Some notable sentences:

- 2/7/2019 - **Alyssa Irwin-Debraux** was sentenced to a total of 13 years in prison after being convicted of involuntary manslaughter, failure to comply, and grand theft of a motor vehicle, in connection to a traffic crash that killed Mary Taulbee. On September 11, 2018, a Moraine Police Officer was in pursuit of a Jeep that had been reported stolen from Harrison Township. As the Jeep fled at a high rate of speed southbound on State Route 741, another vehicle traveling in the northbound lanes took evasive action in order to avoid being hit head-on by the Jeep. While taking this evasive action, the vehicle struck the left rear corner of a Hyundai. As a result of being struck, the Hyundai lost control and was sent spinning directly into the path of the pursuing police cruiser. The cruiser struck the Hyundai, resulting in the death of the driver, Ms. Taulbee. The stolen Jeep, driven by the defendant, ultimately crashed into a Kia near the entrance to the Dayton Mall, and flipped over. The defendant crawled from the wreckage, and fled on foot to a nearby gas station where she was taken into custody by Miami Township Police. Mr. Dan Brandt and Mr. Ward Barrentine were the assistant prosecutors on the case.

- 2/13/2019 - **JaMichael L. Howard** was sentenced to a total of 31 years-to-life in prison after being convicted of the shooting death of Darius Hall, and the shooting of another man. On January 23, 2018, after an altercation at the Western Manor Apartments on N. James H. McGee Boulevard, the defendant was identified as shooting from the vehicle he was in towards occupants in another vehicle. Shots struck one of the victims in the back, and victim Darius Hall was fatally struck. After a trial, a jury found the defendant guilty as charged. He was sentenced to life in prison and will not be eligible for consideration of parole until he has served at least 31 years. Ms. Erin Claypoole and Mr. Joshua Shaw were the Assistant Prosecutors on the case.

RECENT STAFF ADDITIONS

MS. JENNIFER C. COMES

On February 11, 2019, Ms. Jennifer C. Comes joined the staff of the prosecutor's office as the Office Messenger.

Jennifer is a 2014 graduate of Butler High School in Vandalia.

Jennifer previously worked in retail, and from 2015-2019 she served as the office messenger for a local law firm.

Jennifer is originally from Vandalia, and currently resides there with her family.



MS. MEGGAN J. LANAHAN

On February 20, 2019, Ms. Meggan J. Lanahan joined the staff of the prosecutor's office as a Legal Secretary, assigned to the Criminal Case Management Section of the office.

Meggan received her Associate of Applied Science in Paralegal Studies from Sinclair Community College in 2019. In 2008, she received a certificate in Global Leadership from the University of Liverpool in Liverpool, England.

Previously, Meggan worked in digital and social media development. She also has prior experience as a legal secretary, and has served as an office messenger for a local law firm.

Meggan currently resides in Centerville.



NOTEWORTHY NEWS

Richard F. Glennon Appointed Supervising Attorney of Intake/Grand Jury Section



On February 20, 2019, Prosecutor Heck announced that Mr. Richard F. Glennon was appointed to the position of Supervising Attorney of the Intake/Grand Jury section of the office.

Mr. Glennon received his undergraduate degree in 2008 from Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio, majoring in English. He received his Master's degree in Humanities in 2009 from the University of Chicago. In 2013, he received his law degree from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law.

Richard joined our office in August, 2014 as an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney. Since then, he has been assigned to the Child Protection Unit, the Intake/Grand Jury Section, and most recently to the Criminal Division as a Criminal Docket Attorney.

As Supervising Attorney, Richard will supervise the Assistant Prosecutors presenting criminal cases to the Montgomery County Grand Jury as well as the Assistant Prosecutors handling Preliminary Hearings in Municipal Court. He will also be the primary Assistant Prosecuting Attorney responsible for reviewing cases presented by law enforcement for felony criminal charges.

Prosecutor Heck commented, "Richard has great criminal law acumen. I believe he will be a terrific leader and mentor in his new position."

Prosecutor Heck to Offer ArriveSafe Program Over St. Patrick's Day Weekend

ARRIVESAFE ST. PATRICK'S DAY 2019

PICK ONE:



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A FREE CAB RIDE HOME

**6 p.m. Friday, March 15 to 6 a.m. Monday, March 18, 2019
For Montgomery County residents - up to a \$50 fare**



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In December, 2007, Prosecutor Heck announced a new program to make the roads in Montgomery County a bit safer over the holidays - the ArriveSafe Program. Knowing that many people don't make plans before celebrating the holidays with alcohol, the ArriveSafe Program offers Montgomery County residents a free cab ride home if they have been celebrating with alcohol and should not be behind the wheel.

That first year, the ArriveSafe Program provided 366 cab rides home. Initially offered over Christmas and New Years, St. Patrick's Day was added in 2008. Eventually, the Thanksgiving weekend was added, as well as the 4th of July holiday if it falls on a weekend.

Since 2007, the program has provided nearly 7,200 cab rides home for impaired drivers. Saving lives is the ultimate goal and arguably the best part of the program. The second best part of the program, is that it is provided at absolutely no cost to the taxpayer. The funds used to pay for the program come from money that is seized from convicted drug dealers, and from generous donations from Heidelberg Distributing and Budweiser, with additional support from AAA.

This St. Patrick's Day weekend, the program will be offered from 6:00 pm on Friday, March 15th through 6:00 am on Monday, March 18th.

Since 2007, Prosecutor Heck has said, "You decide - do you want to go to jail in the back of a police cruiser, or go home in the back of a cab? Make the smart decision and call ArriveSafe. Remember, the life you save may be your own!"

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