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.

If you would like additional information on any of the topics discussed, or have questions or comments, please feel free to contact us at 937-225-5757 or via email to info@mcpo.com.

Sentencings

In December, 2017, we disposed of 224 cases. The Judges sentenced the defendants in those cases as follows:

- 60% received Community Control Sanctions (probation)
- 20% were sentenced to the penitentiary
- 15% were granted Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (ILC)
- 5% received local time or local time plus probation

Some notable sentences:

- 12/13/2017 Mark A. Shoecraft, Jr. was sentenced to 40 years-to-life in prison for the fatal shooting of Eric Raglin. On January 31, 2017, Dayton police officers responded to a call about gunshots being heard in the 200 block of Basswood Avenue. When officers arrived, they located the deceased victim inside a vehicle. On February 1, 2017, with the assistance of the SWAT Team, the defendant was taken into custody. A bench trial was held on October 24, 2017, and the court found the defendant guilty as charged on counts of murder, felonious assault, discharge of a firearm on or near
prohibited premises, aggravated trafficking in drugs, carrying concealed weapons, and having weapons under disability due to a prior drug conviction.

- 12/28/2017 Arun Aggarwal was sentenced to 10 months in prison after being convicted on four counts of gross sexual imposition. The defendant, while he was employed as a doctor at Dayton Children's Hospital, inappropriately touched and abused two teens during medical examinations. The defendant was convicted as charged on all four counts on December 21, 2017. In addition to the prison sentence, the defendant was designated a Tier I sex offender, which requires annual registration with the Sheriff's Office for 15 years. Once the defendant is released from prison, he will be deported to India, where he is a citizen.

For all of 2017, there were a total of 2,753 sentences for felony convictions in Montgomery County in the 11 Common Pleas Court adult dockets. The total breakdown is below:
**RECENT STAFF ADDITION**

Ms. James R. Staley

On November 21, 2017, Mr. James Staley joined the staff of the prosecutor's office as an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, assigned to the Delinquent Tax Assessment and Collection (DTAC) Unit of the Prosecutor's Office.

James received his law degree in 2017 from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law. He also attended Ohio State for his
undergraduate degrees, majoring in History and Political Science. James also has a Masters Degree in Public Policy.

James is originally from the Dayton area.

NOTEWORTHY NEWS

27th Annual Homicide Victim Memorial Service

On December 11, 2017, the Prosecutor's Office observed the 27th Annual Homicide Victim Memorial Service at the Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Twenty-seven years ago, the Prosecutor's Office began paying tribute to those whose lives were taken by violence with a gathering of families and friends. The intent of the service is to help survivors through the holiday season. Throughout the years, the service has grown from a small group to an event with over 500 in attendance.

This year, we gathered to acknowledge and remember the loss of 52 individuals who lost their lives to violence in Montgomery County over the past year.

The program began with Westminster Presbyterian's Jerry Taylor on the pipe organ and the beautiful voice of Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Ms. Ann Graber singing. Following the musical prelude, a processional was led by retired Sheriff's Sgt. Del Braund playing bagpipes. An invocation was lead by Rev. Susan G. Hamilton.

After Prosecutor Heck's opening remarks and introductions of some of those in attendance from the law enforcement and judicial branches, Victim/Witness Division Director Sandra Hunt introduced Doug Wampler for a short talk about grief and how to go forward after losing a loved one to violence.

Prosecutor's Office Criminal Division Chief, Mr. Leon J. Daidone read the list of names of those being honored, and the family and friends of each were invited to come forward and present an ornament to be placed on the memorial tree in honor of the deceased.

Following the presentation of ornaments, a beautiful duet was performed by Ms. Graber and Ms. Adrienne Kling, accompanied by Organist Jerry Taylor.
After the service inside the church, everyone present was invited to exit the church and participate in a vigil walk down Perry Street for a balloon launch. Many of the balloons carried cards, written by those present, containing messages to their loved ones, or words of encouragement. Throughout the years, many of the cards have been mailed back by those who find the cards, from several states and Canada.

The Homicide Victim Memorial Service is held on the second Monday of every December. If you would like more information about the services provided by the Victim/Witness Division of the Prosecutor's Office, visit our website at www.mcpo.com.