

DRUNKS AND THIEVES 2021 PART 7

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DRUNK WRONG WAY DRIVER ON I-64 GOING 80 MPH GETS NO-POINTS AND NO FINE FOR DWI AND PLEAS GUILTY TO PARKING VIOLATIONS AFTER DRIVING THE WRONG WAY FOR MILES ON I-64. At 12:55AM on Wednesday night into Thursday May 21, 2020 Town and Country and Frontenac officers were advised by the dispatch center of a wrong way driver on I-64 from Lindbergh going west in the eastbound lanes.

Sgt. Fred Yaakub found the suspect vehicle, a Kia, going west in the eastbound lanes of I-64. He paralleled the vehicle trying to warn oncoming traffic when the suspect vehicle crashed going over I-270 on I-64.

The driver of the Kia was Maya Gosa, 20, from Collinsville, IL. Gosa told officers she was driving home to Collinsville, IL. Of course, she was going in the wrong direction.

She told officers that she was going the wrong way because she was cut off getting on the highway. Officer Cook reported her breath smelled of intoxicants, her speech was slurred, she was confused and paranoid.

OFFICER'S OBSERVATION MADE PRIOR TO ARREST OR CUSTODY (Check appropriate box(es) and add)	
BREATH	ODOR OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE: <input type="checkbox"/> FAINT <input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STRONG ODOR OF MARIJUANA OR CHEMICAL: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
EYES PUPILS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WATERY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BLOODSHOT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GLASSY <input type="checkbox"/> STARING <input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL E <input type="checkbox"/> CONSTRICTED <input type="checkbox"/> SLOW REACTION TO LIGHT <input type="checkbox"/> DILATED
BALANCE AND WALKING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNCERTAIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWAYING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STAGGERING <input type="checkbox"/> STUMBLING <input type="checkbox"/> FALLING
SPEECH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLURRED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONFUSED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INCOHERENT <input type="checkbox"/> STUTTERING <input type="checkbox"/> MUMBLING
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	DESCRIBE: BLUE JEANS, SWEAT SHIRT, TENNIS SHOES SOILED BY:
UNUSUAL ACTIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> PROFANITY <input type="checkbox"/> HICCUPS <input type="checkbox"/> BELCHING <input type="checkbox"/> VOMITING <input type="checkbox"/> FIGHTING
ATTITUDE	DESCRIBE: EXTREMELY PARANOID

Gosa failed all field sobriety tests. A field breath test showed her BAC level to be .178%.

PRELIMINARY BREATH TEST (PBT)
POSITIVE FOR ALCOHOL?

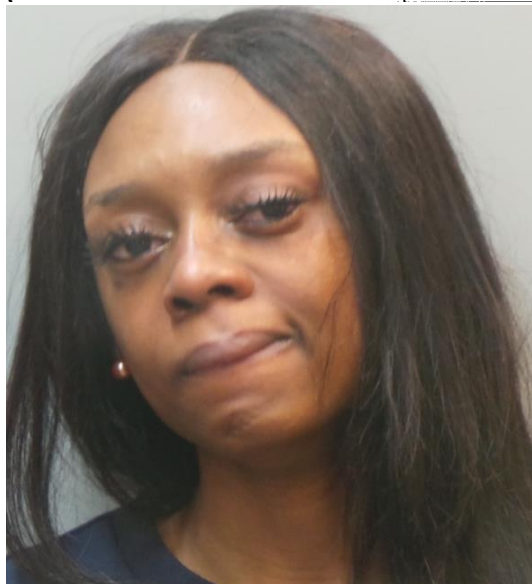
YES NO REFUSED

RESULT, 178 %

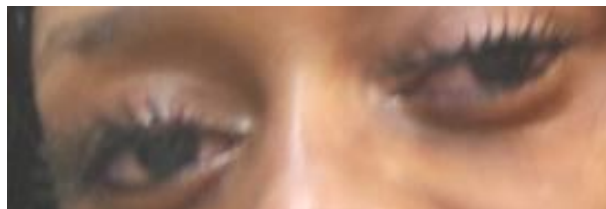
She was arrested. At the police she did not blow hard enough on three tries provide a breath sample for the breathalyzer instrument and was considered refusing the test. She stated she had been drinking slushies with alcohol.

She gave the following interview, which included the statement that she thought she was in Illinois:

CRASH INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE) — RECORD PERSON'S RESPONSES			
WERE YOU INVOLVED IN A MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH TODAY? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO WHEN: I GUESS PROBABLY 2		WERE YOU OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO I WAS DRIVING	
WERE YOU INJURED IN THE CRASH? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO HOW:			
HAVE YOU CONSUMED ANY INTOXICANTS SINCE THE CRASH? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO NOT DURING THE CRASH		IF YES, WHAT? DO YOU LIKE MY SHOES?	
INTERVIEW — RECORD PERSON'S RESPONSES			
WHAT TIME IS IT NOW? LOOKED AT PHO	WHAT IS THE DATE? 05/21/2020	WHAT CITY (COUNTY) ARE YOU IN NOW? MADISON COUNTY OR ST CLAIR	
WHAT WERE YOU DOING DURING THE LAST THREE HOURS PRIOR TO CONTACT WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT? EATING SUPREME NACHOS AT FIRE GRILL ST LOUIS			
WERE YOU OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE CRASH OR STOP? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO			
HAVE YOU BEEN DRINKING? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	IF YES, WHAT WERE YOU DRINKING? I WENT IN WRONG LANE BC SOMEONE CUT ME	TIME STARTED OFF	TIME STOPPED
HOW MUCH?	WHERE?	ARE YOU UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	



Maya Gosa



Maya Gosa's eyes

Record:

05/21/20	DWI, Wrong Direction on Divided Hwy, No Valid DL	Town & Country PD
06/07/19	Disobeyed Stop Sign	Alorton IL PD
05/22/19	Op Uninsured Motor Veh	Fairview Hts IL PD
02/24/18	Op Uninsured Motor Veh	Cahokia IL PD
02/03/18	2-cts Resisting Officer or arrest, Transport Alcohol	Brooklyn IL PD
01/26/18	Op Uninsured Motor Veh	Illinois State Police

Sgt. Yaakub spelled out more on this incident.

On the above date and time, Communications broadcast a report of a wrong way driver traveling westbound in the eastbound lanes of Highway 64 from McKnight. I was entering onto westbound Highway 64 from Ballas when I observed a dark colored sedan speeding past my location traveling westbound in the eastbound lanes. I was traveling westbound in the westbound lanes and my Stalker radar unit verified the vehicle was traveling at a rate of 80 MPH in a 60 MPH zone. I activated my emergency equipment and advised other Town and Country Units to try and get eastbound Highway 64 shut down to prevent a head on collision. As I was crossing over Highway 270, I observed the vehicle had been in a collision and heavy smoke was pouring out of the engine compartment. I turned around and when I arrived on the scene, I set up a safety zone. The vehicle was blocking lane 1 and lane 2. I observed heavy damage to the front of the vehicle and the horn was stuck.

I ran up to the vehicle to render aid. I observed a female sitting behind the wheel in the driver seat. I asked her if she was injured and she replied, "No." She began to yell at me to let her out of the vehicle. I advised her that I was not stopping her from exiting the vehicle. I then opened the door for her so she could get out. I escorted her back to my patrol vehicle.

A further investigation of the crash showed the vehicle hit the back part of the protection barrier at the gore point at the Ballas Rd exit.

OUTCOME: On February 17, 2021 Gosa pled guilty to DWI. She was placed on a "No-Fine, No-Points and No Permanent Public Record" SIS Probation. Then the Wrong Direction on a Divided Highway was reduced to a Parking Violation with a \$191 fine. The No Drivers' License charge was also reduced to a Parking Violation with another \$191 fine. Gosa paid \$382 in fines for offenses she did not commit. Of course, the motoring public who use I-64 were apparently completely forgotten about by the Town and Country prosecutor Keith Cheung and Judge Andrea Niehoff.

BARTENDER DOING 100 MPH IS ALSO DRUNK...DOUBLE TROUBLE: Sgt. Freddie Yaakub was working the midnight shift on Friday night into Saturday morning 11/14/20. He had pulled over on the shoulder of SB I-270 at the Clayton Road overpass to observe traffic at 2AM.

Excessive speeding had been a problem during the COVID-19 pandemic due to lighter volumes of traffic. Sgt. Yaakub noticed an oncoming vehicle coming at a high speed/ He clocked a new 2020 Subaru Outback at 100 MPH.

He managed to stop the car and when contacting the driver, he noticed a strong smell of booze on her breath. She stated she was a bartender (no where in the report did it say where) and she was in a hurry to pick up her kids. This is from Sgt. Yaakub's report:

OFFICER'S OBSERVATION MADE PRIOR TO ARREST OR CUSTODY (Check appropriate box(es) and add a					
BREATH	ODOR OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE:		<input type="checkbox"/> FAINT	<input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STRONG
	ODOR OF MARIJUANA OR CHEMICAL:		<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	
EYES	<input type="checkbox"/> WATERY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BLOODSHOT	<input type="checkbox"/> GLASSY	<input type="checkbox"/> STARING	<input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL EY
PUPILS	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> SLOW REACTION TO LIGHT		<input type="checkbox"/> DILATED	
BALANCE AND WALKING	<input type="checkbox"/> UNCERTAIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWAYING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STAGGERING	<input type="checkbox"/> STUMBLING	<input type="checkbox"/> FALLING
SPEECH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLURRED		<input type="checkbox"/> CONFUSED	<input type="checkbox"/> INCOHERENT	<input type="checkbox"/> STUTTERING
			<input type="checkbox"/> MUMBLING		

The driver was identified as Ambra Leachman, 28 of Kirkwood. She stated that she had 3-shots of tequila.

She failed a number of field sobriety tests. She took a field breath test that showed her BAC at .123%. She was arrested for DWI and Speeding.

<p>PRELIMINARY BREATH TEST (PBT) POSITIVE FOR ALCOHOL?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> REFUSED</p> <p>RESULT <u> .123 </u> %</p>

At the police station she took the "official" beath test. It indicated her BAC level was increasing. It was at .126%.

**BLOOD ALCOHOL
CONCENTRATION
BY WEIGHT**

.126

Here are Leachman's answer to the standard DWI interview:

INTERVIEW — RECORD PERSON'S RESPONSES			
WHAT TIME IS IT NOW? 0300	WHAT IS THE DATE? 11-11	WHAT CITY (COUNTY) ARE YOU IN NOW? TOWN AND COUNTRY	
WHAT WERE YOU DOING DURING THE LAST THREE HOURS PRIOR TO CONTACT WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT? WORKING AT A BAR			
WERE YOU OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE CRASH OR STOP? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO			
HAVE YOU BEEN DRINKING? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	IF YES, WHAT WERE YOU DRINKING? TEQUILA	TIME STARTED 1130	TIME STOPPED 0100
HOW MUCH? 3 SHOTS	WHERE? MY JOB	ARE YOU UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF AN ALCOHOLIC BEV? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	

Leahman's Record:

11/14/20 DWI, Speeding 100 MPH
08/23/20 Speeding 26 MPH or more over limit

Town & Country PD
MO Hwy Patrol



Ambra Leachman



Ambra's eyes

OUTCOME: On March 26, 2021 Leachman Pled Guilty to DWI. She was given the standard 2-yr SIS probation with No-Fine, No-Points and No-Permanent Public Record. While Judge Niehoff rarely issues a harsh sentence to a drunk driver with a local lawyer, people doing 100 MPH or more are another story. Leachman Pled Guilty to speeding and was fined \$466.50.

DRUNK ILLINOIS WOMAN HEADS THE WRONG WAY TO GO HOME AND THINGS GO DOWN HILL FROM THERE: On Thursday November 21, 2019 Anna Marie Hodge, 51 of Brighton, Illinois, had been attending a dinner put on by her employer at Paul Manno's Café in the Forum Shopping Center at Olive and Woods Mill. A cold front with rain was approaching.

At about 9:40 she went to her silver 2012 Toyota Corolla to drive to her home in Illinois. She had been drinking at dinner. She turned right onto Olive Blvd. going west. But her home and the State of Illinois were to the east.



At about 9:44pm Chesterfield Police Officer Brendan Steber was on patrol in a marked patrol car on Olive Blvd. He observed Hodge attempting to make a right turn on a side street, stop and then begin backing up.



Officer Steber

Officer Steber pulled behind Hodge and stopped her. Upon going to the driver's door and contacting Hodge, Officer Steber immediately noticed that she had been drinking. This is from his report.

OFFICER'S OBSERVATION MADE PRIOR TO ARREST OR CUSTODY (Check appropriate box(es) and add any pertinent remarks.)	
BREATH	ODOR OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE: <input type="checkbox"/> FAINT <input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STRONG <input type="checkbox"/> NONE ODOR OF MARIJUANA OR CHEMICAL: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
EYES PUPILS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WATERY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BLOODSHOT <input type="checkbox"/> GLASSY <input type="checkbox"/> STARING <input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL EYE <input type="checkbox"/> CONSTRICTED <input type="checkbox"/> SLOW REACTION TO LIGHT <input type="checkbox"/> DILATED
BALANCE AND WALKING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNCERTAIN <input type="checkbox"/> SWAYING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STAGGERING <input type="checkbox"/> STUMBLING <input type="checkbox"/> FALLING <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:
SPEECH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLURRED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONFUSED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INCOHERENT <input type="checkbox"/> STUTTERING <input type="checkbox"/> MUMBLING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: Loud
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	DESCRIBE: Sweater, Tank Top, Black Pants, Black Heels (Shoes). SOILED BY: N/A
UNUSUAL ACTIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> PROFANITY <input type="checkbox"/> HICCUPS <input type="checkbox"/> BELCHING <input type="checkbox"/> VOMITING <input type="checkbox"/> FIGHTING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER:
ATTITUDE	DESCRIBE: Crying / Apologetic / Loud

Hodge started yelling at Officer Steber after being stopped and beginning to explain what she was doing. Officer Steber stopped her and asked why she was yelling since he was standing right next to her open window. She replied that she has a loud voice.

She stated that she was leaving Manno's café after attending a work related dinner. When asked how much she had to drink she said she had "three beers."

Officer Steber decided he could not have Hodge take standard Field Sobriety tests as the dropping temperatures also caused rain that had started to fall.

Officer Steber asked Hodge if she would take a field breath test and she refused.

He then walked her back to his patrol car when he noticed that her balance was unsure and she was staggering. At this time he placed her under arrest for Improper Lane Use and DWI.

At the police station she agreed to take an official but she would not firmly place the breathalyzer mouthpiece between her lips. Instead of blowing into the BA she simply blew around the mouthpiece. After four tries she was written up as refusing to take a breath test.

However, in an interview she agreed to take after waiving her Miranda Rights, she admitted she thought she was intoxicated.

WHAT TIME IS IT NOW? "10:32"	WHAT IS THE DATE? "11/21"	WHAT CITY (COUNTY) ARE YOU IN NOW? "St. Louis, Missouri"		
WHAT WERE YOU DOING DURING THE LAST THREE HOURS PRIOR TO CONTACT WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT? "I was having a work dinner"				
WERE YOU OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE CRASH OR STOP? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO				
HAVE YOU BEEN DRINKING? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	IF YES, WHAT WERE YOU DRINKING? "I had three beers at the restaurant"		TIME STARTED "Uhm... 6:30"	TIME STOPPED "When I got in the car"
HOW MUCH? "Three beers"	WHERE? "Paul Manno's"		ARE YOU UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO "Yes, Sir."	
HOW MUCH? IF YES, WHAT?	WHERE? IF YES, WHEN?	WHERE?	HOW MUCH?	IF YES, WHAT?



Anna M. Hodge



Hodge's eyes

OUTCOME: On January 4, 2021 Hodge pled guilty to DWI and Judge Rick Brunk promptly placed her on a 2-year "No Points, No-Fine, No Permanent Public Record" SIS probation term. The Improper Lane Use by backing into Olive Blvd was reduced to a parking violation. She was fined \$191.50. She left court with no points on her Missouri Driving Record or her Illinois drivers' license.

WRONG WAY DRIVER ON I-64 FROM CALIFORNIA COVERED IN VOMIT, REEKING OF BOOZE DENIES HAVING BEEN DRINKING.

On Saturday night into Sunday morning on September 29, 2019 at 4:10 AM Chesterfield Police officers were advised by dispatch of a wrong way driver on I-64 going Westbound in the Eastbound lanes of I-64.

Officer Jenna Christian was on Olive/Clarkson Rd at I-64 right after the broadcast came out. She observed the vehicle, a gray 2018 Nissan Altima coming down the Eastbound onramp, causing a driver to swerve to avoid being hit head on.



Officer Christian



Tyler Lewis

The car went east on Olive Blvd, now on the right side of the street. Officer Christian managed to stop the car at Swingley Ridge. The she contacted the driver (only occupant), Robert John Heiserer, 55, of Oceanside, California.

Unfortunately for Officer Christian she was also able to contact Heiserer's vomit that covered his clothes and much of the front interior of the car. Officer Tyler Lewis arrived on the scene and took over gathering information for reports he'd be writing.

This is from Officer Lewis' report concerning Heiserer's volume of puke.

At this time I arrived on scene to assist. I observed Heiserer standing at the rear of the vehicle with PO Christian. Heiserer was attempting to locate his drivers license while leaning his body weight against his vehicle. I observed a large amount of vomit on his jeans, shirt, and left arm.

I looked at the drivers side door of Heiserer's vehicle and found more vomit sprayed across the outside of the vehicle as well as vomit all over the inside of the vehicle.

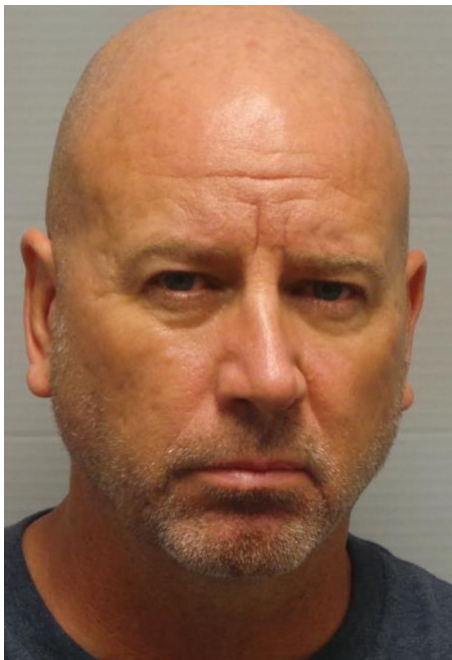
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BALANCE AND WALKING	<input type="checkbox"/> UNCERTAIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWAYING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STAGGERING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STUMBLING <input type="checkbox"/> FALLING <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:
SPEECH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLURRED <input type="checkbox"/> CONFUSED <input type="checkbox"/> INCOHERENT <input type="checkbox"/> STUTTERING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MUMBLING <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	DESCRIBE: Blue T-shirt, Blue jeans, Boots SOILED BY: Vomit
UNUSUAL ACTIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROFANITY <input type="checkbox"/> HICCUPS <input type="checkbox"/> BELCHING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VOMITING <input type="checkbox"/> FIGHTING <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:
ATTITUDE	DESCRIBE: Lethargic, Sarcastic.

Officer Lewis felt that Heiserer was so drunk and his balance was so unsure that he did not try to have Heiserer do field sobriety tests. He was arrested for Careless & Reckless Driving by Driving on the Wrong Side of a Divided Highway and DWI. He was driven to the Police Station without throwing up. (maybe he was out)

At the station he refused to take a Breath Test. He agreed to be interviewed and denied having anything to drink or being intoxicated. This is from the police report:

- I asked Heiserer if he had been involved in a motor vehicle crash today, to which he replied "no."
- I asked "what time is it now?" Heiserer replied "0100" (it was approximately 0521 hours).
- I asked "what is the date?" Heiserer replied "End of the month."
- I asked "what city are you in now?" Heiserer stated, "St. Louis"
- I asked Heiserer "What were you doing during the last three hours prior to contact with law enforcement?" Heiserer stated he was "Visiting friends."
- I asked Heiserer if he was operating the vehicle at the time of the traffic stop, to which he replied "Yes."
- I asked "Have you been drinking?" Heiserer stated "No."

Heiserer stated he did not use any drugs or marijuana in the last 72 hours, had no temporary or long term physical or mental conditions, nor was taking any tranquilizers, pills, medicines, injections or drugs of any kind including insulin.



Robert Heiserer



Heiserer's eyes

OUTCOME: On February 13, 2020 before the official start of the pandemic, Heiserer returned and Pled Guilty to DWI. Judge Brunk placed him on a 2-year SIS “No-Fine, No-Points, No Permanent Record” probation. City prosecutor Tim Engelmeyer had to be okay with this since Heiserer hired a lawyer in the same office building as Engelmeyer’s law office on the North Forty Service Road. The fact he was driving on the wrong side of an Interstate Highway that goes straight through the middle of Chesterfield and almost hit a car head-on clearly was no big deal. It was also apparently no big deal to Chesterfield Mayor Bob Nation who reappointed Engelmeyer to another 4-year term in May of 2021.

For the charge of Careless & Reckless Driving, Heiserer pled guilty and was fined \$191.50. The fine could have gone as high as \$1,000 but \$191 seemed enough for Judge Brunk.

19-YEAR-OLD DRUNK DRIVER WITH FAKE DRIVERS’ LICENSE, DRIVES DOWN ENTRANCE TO POLICE DEPARTMENT’S UNDERGROUND GARAGE. At some point Chesterfield Police Officer Brendan Steber had to be laughing out loud on Saturday night June 20, 2020 at 11:09pm.

Officer Steber was on Swingley Ridge Road approaching the driveway to the Chesterfield Police underground parking garage when he noticed stopped in the driveway just beyond an “Authorized Vehicles Only” sign a silver 2016 Jeep Wrangler that was clearly not authorized as the police department did not operate any Wranglers.

Officer Steber watched as the Jeep continued down the driveway striking the curb and some landscaping. The driver then slowly backed out when he reached the police sallyport door.

The driver of the Jeep the drove west on Swingley Ridge at extremely slow speed clocked on the police car’s radar unit being between 8 and 12 mph while the driver swerved or drove between two lanes.

Officer Steber had seen enough and stopped the car. The 19-year-old behind the wheel handed over a fake drivers’ license identifying him as Christopher J. Friemel, 23, born in 1997.

Friemel was not wearing shoes or a shirt. His breath reeked of booze, his eyes were bloodshot and his speech was slurred and confused. He refused to do any sobriety tests despite claiming he had nothing to drink.

Officer Steber returned to his patrol car and attempted to verify Friemel's drivers' license status. He could not accomplish the task as the computer kept reporting that there was no such person on file with that date of birth.

From the police report this is the condition Officer Steber found Friemel to be in:

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EYES PUPILS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WATERY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BLOODSHOT <input type="checkbox"/> GLASSY <input type="checkbox"/> STARING <input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL EYE <input type="checkbox"/> CONSTRICTED <input type="checkbox"/> SLOW REACTION TO LIGHT <input type="checkbox"/> DILATED
BALANCE AND WALKING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNCERTAIN <input type="checkbox"/> SWAYING <input type="checkbox"/> STAGGERING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STUMBLING <input type="checkbox"/> FALLING <input type="checkbox"/>
SPEECH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLURRED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONFUSED <input type="checkbox"/> INCOHERENT <input type="checkbox"/> STUTTERING <input type="checkbox"/> MUMBLING <input type="checkbox"/>
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	DESCRIBE: Swimming Trunks - No Shirt or Shoes. SOILED BY:
UNUSUAL ACTIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> PROFANITY <input type="checkbox"/> HICCUPS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BELCHING <input type="checkbox"/> VOMITING <input type="checkbox"/> FIGHTING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Friemel was arrested for DWI. With permission Officer Steber checked the Jeep for anything of value before locking it. That is when he found Friemel's wallet with his actual license in the wallet, showing him to be 19. He also found a can of alcoholic beverage.

At the police station Friemel refused to take a breath test.

When asked how long he had the fake drivers' license Friemel said he didn't know. He then asked when the City built a police station in a parking garage.

This is from the police report of a brief interview with Friemel:

WHAT TIME IS IT NOW? "1:30."	WHAT IS THE DATE? "09/20/2020... It's the 19th maybe the 20th... It's been quarantine for too long."	WHAT CITY (COUNTY) ARE YOU IN NOW? "St. Louis, Missouri... Chesterfield"
WHAT WERE YOU DOING DURING THE LAST THREE HOURS PRIOR TO CONTACT WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT? "Driving."		
WERE YOU OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE CRASH OR STOP? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO "I was."		
HAVE YOU BEEN DRINKING? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	IF YES, WHAT WERE YOU DRINKING?	TIME STARTED TIME STOPPED
HOW MUCH?	WHERE?	ARE YOU UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO "No, sir."

This was at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic with cases, hospital admissions and deaths at all time highs, but Friemel was more concern using a fake ID, buying booze and getting so drunk he almost drove into a police car restricted parking area.

Friemel went to St. Louis Priory High School and then to Iowa State University where he played hockey his freshman year.



Christopher Friemel 19 of Wildwood, MO Friemel's eyes

OUTCOME: On 09/28/20 Friemel pled guilty to a number of charges. Here is what he was originally charged with:

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Ticket #190944832 for Improper Lane Use
Ticket #190944833 for Driving While Intoxicated - Alcohol
Ticket #190944836 for Displaying Fictitious / Fraudulent Operators
License
Summons #190944834 for False Declaration
Summons #190944835 for Minor In Possession of Alcohol
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Here are his guilty pleas:

DWI Pled guilty given a “No-Fine, No-Points, “No Permanent Public record 2-yr SIS probation term and had to attend Substance Abuse Program and Victim’s impact panel.

Improper Lane Use, a 2-pt violation was reduced to a \$191 Parking Violation

False Declaration of Identity was reduced to Misc Health & Safety Vio with a \$170 fine.

Minor in Possession of Alcohol was reduced to a Misc Health Code Vio with a \$170 fine

Display Fraudulent Drivers' Lic reduced to another \$170 Health Code Violation.

DRIVING ON A FLAT TIRE, DRIVER IS ALMOST 4-TIMES OVER THE LIMIT BUT DENIES HAVING ANYTHING TO DRINK.

On February 11, 2020 at 10:30 PM Chesterfield Police Officer Greg Rupp saw a white Toyota Camry turn left from NB Schottler Valley Drive onto Highcroft Drive. Officer Rupp then heard the unmistakable sound of a car being driven on a flat tire coming from the Camry.



Officer Rupp pulled behind the Camry and observed that the driver was driving in the middle of the road, except once when the Toyota swerved to the right and hit the curb,

The left front tire was no longer just flat, it was basically gone and the car continued down the middle of the road disobeying two stop signs on its left front wheel.

Officer Rupp had seen enough and stopped the car. The driver was consistent and stopped in the middle of the road. He was contacted and identified as:

Daniel Michael Fleck, 52, of Hampton Village Hall Drive (former apartments, now condos) showed signs of being very drunk. At one point Officer Rupp had Fleck get out of the car to perform field sobriety test, but Rupp changed his mind when Fleck was so drunk his balance was extremely bad side-to-side and he swayed forward and backwards.

This is from the police report

OFFICER'S OBSERVATION MADE PRIOR TO ARREST OR CUSTODY (Check appropriate box(es) and add any)				
BREATH	ODOR OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE:	<input type="checkbox"/> FAINT	<input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STRONG
EYES	ODOR OF MARIJUANA OR CHEMICAL:	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	
PUPILS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WATERY	<input type="checkbox"/> BLOODSHOT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GLASSY	<input type="checkbox"/> STARING
BALANCE AND WALKING	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> SLOW REACTION TO LIGHT	<input type="checkbox"/> DILATED	<input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL EYE
SPEECH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNCERTAIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWAYING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STAGGERING	<input type="checkbox"/> STUMBLING
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	<input type="checkbox"/> FALLING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUMBLING	DESCRIBE: <i>Blue Button-Up Shirt, Blue Jeans</i> SOILED BY: <i>N/A</i>	
UNUSUAL ACTIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> PROFANITY	<input type="checkbox"/> HICCUPS	<input type="checkbox"/> BELCHING	<input type="checkbox"/> VOMITING
ATTITUDE	DESCRIBE: <i>Cooperative, Confused</i>			

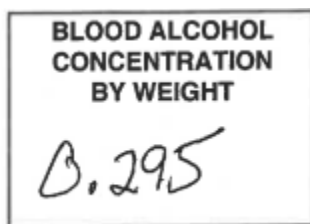
Just on the first contact, Officer Rupp had probable cause and arrested Fleck for DWI.

He was taken to the Chesterfield Police station in the City Hall. Fleck agreed to take a breath test,

Prior to the test Fleck agreed to be interviewed. He said did not know what time it was and thought he was in Clayton, Mo. Fleck lives in Chesterfield which is at the far west end of St. Louis County next to St. Charles County, while Clayton is at the way east end of the county next to the City of St. Louis.

Fleck also denied that he had been drinking.

A breath test was given at 11:06 pm, 36 minutes after Officer Rupp first observed Fleck driving. The results of the test showed Fleck's BAC level to be .295%.



Fleck was issued a citation for DWI and one for Disobeying a Stop Sign.

NO MUGSHOT AVAILABLE



Fleck is the GM of Jazz at the Bistro. Online photo

RECORD:

08/20/20 Speeding 70 in 45 reduced to Health Code Vio \$225 fine Chesterfield PD
02/11/20 DWI, Disobeys Stop Sign Guilty see below Chesterfield PD

OUTCOME: On February 24, 2021 Fleck pled guilty to DWI. Judge Rick “I don’t care if he was at .295% and wrecked the left wheel; he hired a local lawyer” Brunk who placed Fleck on a No-Fine, No-Points and No-Permanent Public Record SIS probation. He did have to go to an offenders’ class and a victim’s impact panel. He also pled guilty to Disobeying a Stop Sign, a 1-point violation. He was fined \$191.

While he was waiting on the serious DWI charge, six months after his arrest he was cited for 70 mph in a 45 zone. Despite having a DWI pending, Tim Engelmeyer reduced the charge to a No-Points Non-Traffic Health Code Violation and collected \$225. So much for Engelmeyer and Mayor Bob Nation who just reappointed him looking out for the safety and welfare of the citizens.

ANOTHER DRUNK DRIVER AND DRUG USER STOPPED AT A GREEN LIGHT TO THROW UP .

26-year-old Shannon Ferguson of Ballwin, may have well turned herself in for Drunk Driver and Drug Possession on Friday night into Saturday morning at 12:30 am October 26, 2019. Chesterfield Police Officer Brendan Steber noticed a hard to miss GMC Sierra stopped at the traffic light for the off ramp of WB I-64 at Olive. The first problem was the light was green and the GMC was not moving while other traffic was driving around it with drivers honking.

When the GMC finally moved it turned left onto SB Clarkson Road and began to swerve between lanes. Officer Steber pulled the vehicle over with the driver pulling into the Mobil On-the-Go gas station.

There Ferguson immediately exited the vehicle. Officer Steber responded by immediately telling her to get back into the GMC. She complied.

When Officer Steber walked to the GMC he immediately noticed fresh vomit on the drivers' door and the strong smell of intoxicants coming from the interior of the SUV.

Officer Steber asked Ferguson if she had just thrown up on her door. He reported that she gave him a confused look and didn't answer.



Brendan Steber

He received the same confused look and no answer when he asked how much she had to drink. This is from the police report:

I asked Ferguson if she threw up on her door handle. Ferguson once more stared at me with a confused expression and did not answer my question. I asked Ferguson how much she had to drink. Again, Ferguson stared at me with a confused expression without answering my question.

In another part of his report Officer Steber wrote that the vomit was down the length of the door.

Also from the police report were Officer Steber's observations of Ferguson's condition:

OFFICER'S OBSERVATION MADE PRIOR TO ARREST OR CUSTODY (Check appropriate box(es) and add any pertinent remarks)	
BREATH	ODOR OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE: <input type="checkbox"/> FAINT <input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STRONG <input type="checkbox"/> NONE ODOR OF MARIJUANA OR CHEMICAL: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
EYES PUPILS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WATERY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BLOODSHOT <input type="checkbox"/> GLASSY <input type="checkbox"/> STARING <input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL EYE <input type="checkbox"/> CONSTRICTED <input type="checkbox"/> SLOW REACTION TO LIGHT <input type="checkbox"/> DILATED
BALANCE AND WALKING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNCERTAIN <input type="checkbox"/> SWAYING <input type="checkbox"/> STAGGERING <input type="checkbox"/> STUMBLING <input type="checkbox"/> FALLING <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:
SPEECH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLURRED. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONFUSED <input type="checkbox"/> INCOHERENT <input type="checkbox"/> STUTTERING <input type="checkbox"/> MUMBLING <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	DESCRIBE: Black Hoodie, Black Pants, Black Flip-Flop Shoes. SOILED BY: N/A
UNUSUAL ACTIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> PROFANITY <input type="checkbox"/> HICCUPS <input type="checkbox"/> BELCHING <input type="checkbox"/> VOMITING <input type="checkbox"/> FIGHTING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: See Report.
ATTITUDE	DESCRIBE: Hysterical, panicked, crying.

Due to her confused state, poor balance and inability to respond to instructions the standard field sobriety tests were not given. Ferguson agreed to take a field breath test. That result was a BAC level of .197%.

PRELIMINARY BREATH TEST (PBT) POSITIVE FOR ALCOHOL? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> REFUSED RESULT <u>.197</u> %
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She was arrested. Per her permission her GMC was locked on the parking lot. It was checked for valuables to be secured and officers found the following:

- One (1) empty can of Blueberry Lemon flavored "Henry's Hard" Sparkling Water. Located on the vehicle's rear floorboard behind the driver's seat.
- One (1) purple, glass mason jar containing miscellaneous suspected controlled substances and paraphernalia. Located in the vehicle's center console.
- One (1) green plastic baggie with illegible writing on it, containing an unknown black, tar-like substance. Located inside the mason jar.
- Two (2) clear plastic baggies, each containing residue of a leafy green substance. Located inside the mason jar.
- One (1) dark-colored glass pipe containing burnt residue of a leafy green substance. Located inside the mason jar.
- One (1) orange prescription pill bottle covered in black electrical tape, containing a leafy green substance and a rolled "joint" made up of white rolling paper containing a leafy green substance. Located inside the mason jar.

At the police station Ferguson was advised of the drug items found in her vehicle. She replied with an answer that contradicted itself. This is from the police report:

I asked Ferguson about the suspect controlled substances and paraphernalia I located in her vehicle's center console. Ferguson stated she didn't know anything about "that stuff". Ferguson then went on to state that she used to live in Colorado, and "in Colorado, you don't have to worry about what's in your car".

She then refused to be interviewed but agreed to take a breath test. The results of the breath test showed a 0.181% 39 minutes after first being contracted by Officer Steber.

**BLOOD ALCOHOL
CONCENTRATION
BY WEIGHT**

0.181%

The following charges were issued by Officer Steber against Ferguson:

Ferguson was issued the following Traffic Tickets:

- #190940628 for Operating a Motor Vehicle While Intoxicated (DWI)
- #190940629 for Improper Lane Use

Ferguson was issued the following Summonses:

- #190940630 for Possession of Marijuana or Hashish
- #190940631 for Possession of Drug Paraphernalia



Shannon Marie Ferguson



Ferguson's eyes

OUTCOME: On 03/10/2020 Ferguson appeared in Chesterfield Municipal Court and pled guilty to DWI. She received a No-Fine, No-Points, No Permanent Public Record SIS probation. She was required to attend a Substance Abuse program and a Victims' Impact Panel. She also pled guilty to Improper Lane Use and was fined \$191.

The Possession of Marijuana charge was reduced to a non-criminal Health Code Violation with a \$200 fine. The Possession of Drug Paraphernalia charge was also dropped to a non-criminal Health Code Violation with a \$293 fine.

TAX CHEATING BAR OWNER LEARNS AN IMPORTANT LESSON. IF YOU HAVE BEEN DRINKING ON THE JOB AND THEN DRIVING HOME, DON'T SPEED: It is Officer Brendan Steber's turn again. I'm sorry to report that Officer Steber left the Chesterfield Police Department and was hired at Des Peres to be a cop, firefighter and paramedic. Prior to joining the Chesterfield PD Steber had been a dispatcher at Des Peres.

This time it is just before Christmas on Friday night into Saturday morning December 22, 2018 at 12:35am. Officer Steber was eastbound on I-64 and noticed the car in front of him seemed to be speeding. He turned on his moving radar unit and clocked the car at 75 MPH in the 60 MPH. He also noticed that the driver of the white Toyota Tundra was weaving between lanes four and three.

The driver exited the highway and was stopped on the Chesterfield Center behind the Drury Inn. Beside speeding and weaving, the driver's car had a couple of lights burned out.

The driver, John Steve Harris, 54, admitted that he had two beers and two shots. He stated he was the owner of the Two Shamrocks Pub in O'Fallon, Mo and lives in Chesterfield.

Officer Steber made these observations:

OFFICER'S OBSERVATION MADE PRIOR TO ARREST OR CUSTODY (Check appropriate box(es) and add)				
BREATH	ODOR OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE:	<input type="checkbox"/> FAINT	<input type="checkbox"/> MODERATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STRONG
	ODOR OF MARIJUANA OR CHEMICAL:	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	
EYES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WATERY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BLOODSHOT	<input type="checkbox"/> GLASSY	<input type="checkbox"/> STARING
PUPILS	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> SLOW REACTION TO LIGHT	<input type="checkbox"/> DILATED	
BALANCE AND WALKING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNCERTAIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWAYING	<input type="checkbox"/> STAGGERING	<input type="checkbox"/> STUMBLING
			<input type="checkbox"/> FALLING	

After taking some field sobriety tests Harris agreed to take a field breath test. The result was 0.085%. He was arrested for DWI.

PRELIMINARY BREATH TEST (PBT) POSITIVE FOR ALCOHOL? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> REFUSED RESULT <u>.085</u> %
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The legal limit is 0.08% BAC. In this case if Harris takes the official Breath Test at the Police station and his Blood Alcohol Content is going down he will likely be below 0.08% and not legally drunk. But if the level is going up he will be charged.

Harris took the official breath test. His BA level was going up. Not by much but he did test intoxicated. The results were .087%.

BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION BY WEIGHT 0.087%

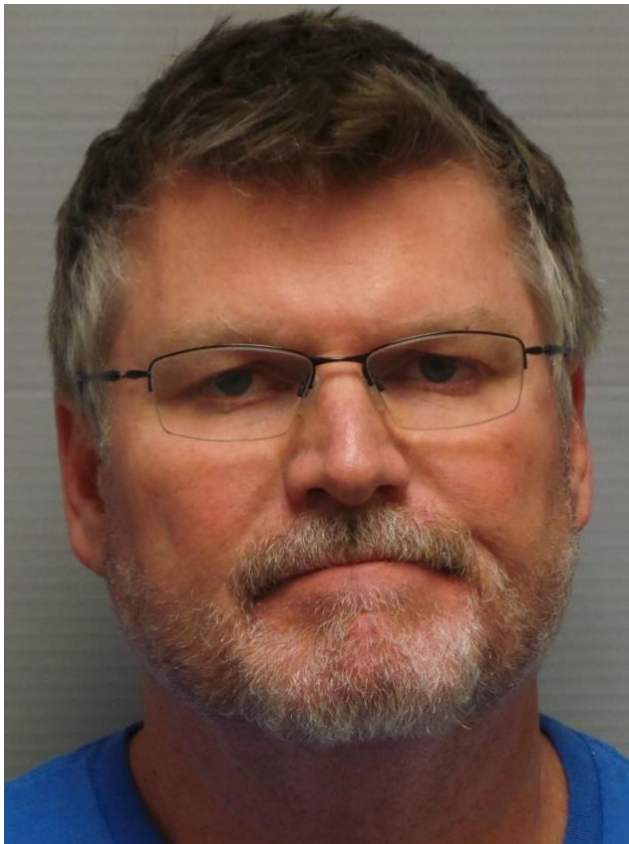
Here is a brief interview of Harris at the police station.

INTERVIEW — RECORD PERSON'S RESPONSES			
WHAT TIME IS IT NOW? One O'Clock	WHAT IS THE DATE? 12/22	WHAT CITY (COUNTY) ARE YOU IN NOW? Chesterfield	
WHAT WERE YOU DOING DURING THE LAST THREE HOURS PRIOR TO CONTACT WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT? Working and then driving home.			
WERE YOU OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE CRASH OR STOP? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO			
HAVE YOU BEEN DRINKING? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	IF YES, WHAT WERE YOU DRINKING? Beer	TIME STARTED Ten O'Clock	TIME STOPPED Eleven Thirty
HOW MUCH? Over 2 beers and 2 shots	WHERE? Two Shamrocks	ARE YOU UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO "I don't think so, but I guess so."	

From the police report here are the two citations Harris was issued and warnings he was given:

Harris was issued the following City of Chesterfield Traffic Tickets and Warnings:

- Ticket #180361924 for Operating Motor Vehicle While Intoxicated.
- Ticket #180361925 for Improper Lane Use (Failing to Maintain a Single Lane).
- Warning #W034307 for Defective Equipment (No License Plate Lights).
- Warning #W034308 for Defective Equipment (Tail Light Out).
- Warning #W034309 for Speeding.



John Harris



Harris eyes

OUTCOME: Harris hired a defense attorney and on 10/13/20 City Prosecutor Tim Engelmeyer waived his magic wand and changed the DWI into Careless and Reckless Driving with a \$191 fine. The Improper Lane Use charge was turned into something that Harris never did, Illegally Parked. There was another \$191 fine.

On May 11, 2021 Harris was charged by Department of Revenue Investigators with three felony counts of Sales Tax Fraud in connection with his Pub in O'Fallon that occurred in 2018. He has had 11 other sales tax civil actions over the last 10 years, plus judgments against him from vendors.

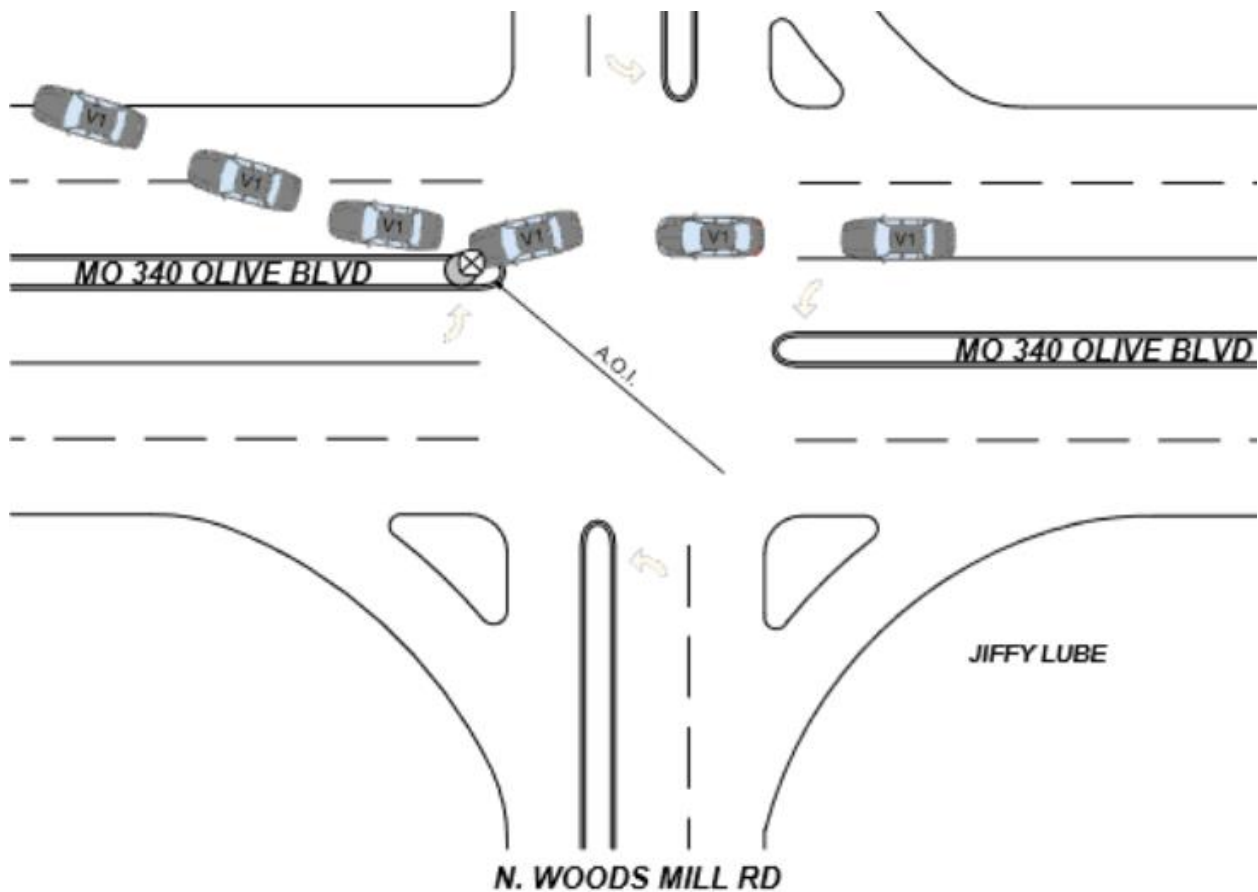
SUNDAY AFTERNOON GOING TO GET GAS FOR THE WIFE RESULTS IN WRECKING HER CAR AND BEING ARRESTED FOR FELONY DWI. Over 30 years as a cop I made a lot of DWI arrests. Sunday afternoons was not normally a prime time for drunk drivers. People go to church, bars are often closed and the ones that are open and some restaurants open later in the day.

On Sunday October 28, 2018 at 5:47pm Chesterfield Officer Taylor Wissmann was dispatched to a crash involving one-car into the median on WB Olive Blvd near N. Woods Mill Road,

Eric M. Engebretson, 59, was standing outside of his wife's 2017 Chevrolet Impala that was undriveable. He told Officer Wissmann that he was driving the car and was blinded by the sun causing him to drive into the median. He managed to pull to the right, blocking the right lane, but that was as far as the car was going.



Officer Wissman



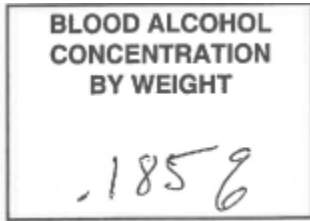
Engebretson was rapidly chewing gum and denied having anything to drink. But his balance was poor and he stumbled when he walked. Eventually Officer Wissmann smelled the booze on Engebretson's breath.

Field sobriety tests were conducted which Engebretson failed. He agreed to take a field breath test. The result of the test showed Engebretson's BAC level to be .168% of more than twice the legal limit.

PRELIMINARY BREATH TEST (PBT) POSITIVE FOR ALCOHOL? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> REFUSED RESULT <u>.168</u> %
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Due to Engebretson's large size (appeared to be 300 pounds-plus) Officer Wissmann had to called another officer to the scene after arresting Engebretson because he would not fit in Wissmann's patrol car that had a prisoner cage. Engebretson rode to the police station in the front seat of Officer Schlemmer's patrol car.

At the station Engebretson declined to be interviewed but agreed to take an "Official" breath test. The results showed that Engebretson was actually drunker than when he crashed the car. His BAC level was up to .185%.



Engebretson was booked for Felony DWI Persistent Offender. Many of those prior arrests were available to police and courts, but not the public as Suspended Imposition of Sentences probations had expired. Only one of his several DWI convictions remained on public record. (From 1992 in Chesterfield)

10/28/18	Felony DWI	reduced to misd DWI	Guilty	Chesterfield PD
01/24/92	Excessive BAC (Blood Alcohol Content)		Guilty	Chesterfield PD
	Failure to Drive on Right Side of Road		Guilty	Fine



Dec. Co Jail mugshot 10/28/18 mugshot Engebretson eyes

Outcome: Officer Wissmann went to the County Prosecutor's on December 10, 2018 and a felony DWI Persistent Offender arrest warrant was issued.

On 01/16/20 Engebretson pled guilty to a reduced charge of Misdemeanor DWI. He was placed on a 2-year SES probation term in lieu of six months in the County Jail. He was also ordered to attend Victim Impact Panels, Alcohol abuse classed have an ignition Interlock System for six months, wear a SCRAM detector and not to drink and drive.

A check of court records showed a probation violation suspension to his probation as of April 19, 2021 with a hearing in August of 2021.