

DRUNKS AND THIEVES 2021 PART 13

December 21, 2021

By John Hoffmann

On Monday night September 14, 2020 around 8:44pm Town and Country Police Sgt. Freddie Yaakub was on the shoulder of an under patrolled area of EB Ladue Road west of Hwy 141. The entire intersection of Hwy 141 and Ladue Road moved to the east from Chesterfield into Town and Country after MoDOT built a new section of Hwy 141.

While sitting on the shoulder Sgt. Yaakub observed a pickup truck going west on Ladue Road at an extremely high rate of speed approaching the entrance ramps to Hwy 141 and stop lights for exiting traffic making left turns.

Sgt. Yaakub turned on his forward radar unit and clocked the 2008 GMC pickup truck at **85 MPH in the 40 MPH zone** on two lane Ladue Road.



Sgt. Yaakub

Sgt. Yaakub got the truck stopped only to find a 56-year-old woman, Debra Wilcox of Glen Cove Drive in Chesterfield behind the wheel. When asked how fast she thought she was going, Wilcox said she thought she was doing “about 80.”

She was also crying saying her back hurt as her back surgery did not go well. She added she was driving back from St. Luke’s Hospital after going there for the pain. Sgt. Yaakub was wearing a mask and did not immediately smell anything unusual on Wilcox’ breath or inside the truck. That would change when he returned with the citation.

When Sgt. Yaakub went back to the car to explain the citation for 45 MPH over the 40 mph limit he smell a strong odor of intoxicants from inside the car and on Wilcox’s breath.

Wilcox at first denied having anything to drink and then it changed to “2 airplane bottles of Fireball.” She said she needed the alcohol due to her back pain.

Out of the car Sgt. Yaakub did not have her do any walking or standing sobriety tests due to Wilcox’s reported back pain.

He did do a Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus eye test which indicted she was intoxicated. Sgt. Yaakub had to hold Wilcox to keep her from falling. This is from his report:

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
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SPEECH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLURRED <input type="checkbox"/> CONFUSED <input type="checkbox"/> INCOHERENT <input type="checkbox"/> STUTTERING <input type="checkbox"/> MUMBLING
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	DESCRIBE: WHITE TANK TOP/SHORTS/SLIPPERS 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: COOPERATIVE, CRYING

Three different times Wilcox declined to take a field breath test to determine her BAC.

Wilcox was arrested, but instead of going to the Town and Country Police Station Sgt. Yaakub drove her to St. Luke's Hospital. Once there she refused to allow a blood draw to determine her BAC level. She also refused to be interviewed.

She was issued the Speeding citation and one for DWI and then released to the care of St. Luke's.

OUTCOME: On August 20, 2021 Wilcox appeared with a lawyer at Town and Country Municipal Court. Keep in mind the one offense that Judge Andrea Niehoff is tough on is excessively high rates of speed.

Wilcox pled guilty to DWI and was placed on a 2-year SES Probation term in lieu of 60-days in jail and a \$466 fine. A SES probation means the points do go on your driving record.

She also pled guilty to Speeding 85 MPH in a 40 Zone. She was fined \$466.



Wilcox

A month after pleading guilty on 09/21/21 Wilcox was cited by Ellisville Police for Failure to Drive in a Single Lane.

SHOPLIFTER FROM JEFFERSON COUNTY APPEARS IN CHESTERFIELD MUNICIPAL COURT WITHOUT A LAWYER AND JUDGE BRUNK PROMPTLY SENTENCES HIM TO JAIL. Judge Rick Brunk and City Prosecutor Tim Englemeyer are famous for reducing criminal charges to non-criminal offenses such as Littering or Health Code Violations as long as the defendant hires a local lawyer. That did not happen in the stealing case of Kenneth Tatum, who failed to hire a local lawyer.

Chesterfield Police Officer David Krumm of the Special Enforcement Unit was already at Wal Mart taking information about an earlier theft on Wednesday March 4, 2020, when he was contacted by a store security officer who said they were watching a shoplifter on video.



Officer David Krumm

The suspect, Kenneth Tatum, 39, an ex-con from House Springs was wearing a hooded sweatshirt with a front pouch. He was seen taking a single Mountain Dew and a phone card. He was then observed taking a package containing inexpensive headphones.

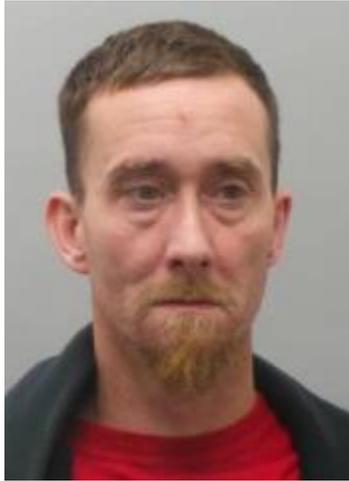
He removed the headphones from the package and put them in his sweatshirt pouch. The headphones were valued at a high-end price of \$7.88. He paid for the Mountain Dew and Phone Card but walked out of the store with the headphones still hidden and unpaid for in his sweatshirt.

Outside of the store a store security officer faced Tatum and told him to stop. Tatum turned to flee when Officer Krumm appeared and he was taken into custody. At the police station he was booked, processed (fingerprinted and photographed) and then released on a criminal citation.

Here is his criminal record that we could find:

03/04/20	Stealing	10-days jail	Chesterfield PD
05/30/17	Felony Tampering W/Veh, Resisting Arrest by Fleeing	4-yrs Prison, Leaving Scene of Acc (Crash)	Jefferson Co SO
		120 days jail	
09/08/16	Felony Drug Possession	Guilty 4-years prison	DeSoto PD

04/29/16	Driving While Revoked 30-days jail	St. Genevieve Co SO
04/08/16	2-counts Receiving Stolen Property 6-months jail	St. Louis Co PD
07/03/10	DWI, Speeding, Driving W/Revoked Probation Revoked 90-days jail	DeSoto PD



Kenneth Tatum

OUTCOME: On 10/26/20 pled guilty to stealing a \$7.88 headphone in Chesterfield Municipal Court. He did so without spending several hundred dollars to get a local lawyer to represent him and have the charge reduced to a Health Code Violation with a \$100 fine. Instead he was punished and sentenced by Judge “Let Loose if they Hire a Lawyer” Brunk to 10-days in jail.

FINAL OUTCOME: Tatum will not celebrate Christmas this year. On Saturday night August 14, 2021 at about 11:30pm Tatum was on I-55 in Jefferson County when he lost control of the Chevy Cavalier, hit a median wall then bounced back onto the highway only to be hit by two SUVs. He was DOS, Dead on the Spot.

21-YEAR-OLD CAUGHT STEALING ITEMS FOR HERSELF AND HER BOYFRIEND.

On Friday July 26, 2019 Macy’s security officers were watching a television show on their in-store security camera system starring 21-year-old Taylor Unnerstall of Washington, MO as she travelled through the store stealing merchandise.

The Chesterfield Police were not called until after Macy’s Asset Protection agents had Unnerstall in custody in their office.

Her show included removing a bottle of fragrance spray out of its box and she then took that plus a package of Calvin Klein men's underwear and a package of Hanes men's underwear (we are guessing one was everyday underwear and one was formal underwear) to a dressing room. The room was checked after she left and the discarded packages were found.

Unnerstall admitted stealing the items most she was wearing under her clothes. Besides the underwear and cosmetic spray she had two men's ties valued at \$50. The total haul was \$125.49.

Chesterfield Police Officer Dammrich responded on the call. He found that Unnerstall had no prior record. He issued a citation for stealing and Unnerstall was released from the Macy's with no trip to the police station.



Taylor Unnerstall

OUTCOME: Unlike the late Kenneth Tatum, Unnerstall hired a lawyer. She pled guilty on 07/09/20. Her fine was apparently having to pay a lawyer. Judge "Let em Go if they Hire a Lawyer" Brunk placed her on a 2-year SIS "No-fine, No-Permanent Record" Probation.

WOULD WALMART SAVE MONEY BY CLOSING SELF CHECKOUT AND PAYING CASHIERS? Maybe the Chesterfield Walmart would.

On 01/08/19 at 8:34 at night Chesterfield SEU Officer Matt Pousson received a call direct to the Special Enforcement Unit cellphone from the Loss Prevention officer at Wal Mart who reported that a woman was at the self-checkout only scanning and paying for some items and stealing others.

The shopper/shoplifter Rita Ann Thomas, 34, of St. Louis was stopped by the Loss Prevention Officer and Officer Pousson after leaving the store. She was escorted back to the security office. There it was discovered she had stolen the following:

NB LS TOP 82926855874 \$3.00
SLEEPWEAR 88979950470 \$12.88
NB TOP 19228437513 \$5.00
SOLID TEE 1521328461 \$2.00
FLEECE TOP 1521328360 \$3.00
KNIT PANT 739975466942 \$11.88
MINI BACKPACK 88948739760 \$13.00
KNIT HAT 1324419248 \$8.88
KNIT HAT 1324419249 \$8.88
PAMP SWADD 3700074961 \$8.97
FTL 10PK ANK 4282571190 \$6.94

TOTAL VALUE: \$84.43

Officer Pousson found no prior arrests of Thomas. The Wal Mart Loss Prevention data base also had no prior record of Thomas, so Pousson released her on a citation. She did leave with the few items she paid for at the self-checkout.



Matt Pousson, a 31-year veteran of the Chesterfield PD

OUTCOME: Thomas hired a local lawyer to represent her. Guess what? On 03/08/21 suddenly she was no longer a thief but according to Chesterfield Judge Rick “Let em go if the Hired a Lawyer” Brunk, she was a non-criminal Health Code violator and was given a \$330 fine.

Thomas did return to Chesterfield on August 15, 2020 when she was stopped and cited for Expired License Plate and No Vehicle Insurance. Despite taking care of the stealing charge on 03/08/21 she did nothing about the traffic citations and on July 13 a Failure To Appear Warrant was issued by Chesterfield’s new judge Mark Gaertner.

SHOP, TAKE ITMES TO SERVICE COUNTER CLAIM YOU ARE RETURNING THEM AND GET A GIFT CARD. Judy Tatum, 60, an ex-convict from St. Louis, on January 7, 2020 was shopping at the Chesterfield Wal Mart, sort of.

Store Security watched on video cameras as she selected \$80 worth of toys and then promptly headed for the service desk, claiming she bought them and wanted a refund. Instead, since she clearly did not have a receipt, she was given a “gift card.”

Chesterfield Police Special Enforcement Unit Officer Jim Dammrich and Trevor McBride responded to the call. Tatum was stopped leaving the store and voluntarily went back to the security officer.

Officer McBride opened her purse to recover the gift card she just received. He also observed four pieces of aluminum foil that is used by shoplifters to defeat security sensor alarms near store exits. Tatum admitted that she had planned to steal from other nearby stores using the aluminum foil.

Officer McBride determined there were no active warrants for Tatum. She complained that she had medicine at home she needed to take. She was released on a Stealing Citation and a Possession of Theft Device (aluminum foil) citation instead of being taken to the station and fingerprinted plus photographed.



Officer Jim Dammrich Officer Trevor McBride

There is a big hole in Tatum’s arrest record history, leading me to believe she might have been in prison in another state. Fingerprints would have answered that question. Also an updated photo for other police departments to use would have been nice. Tatum could still have been released on citations, just from the police station after she had been processed.



Judy L. Tatum

01/07/20	Stealing, Poss of Theft Devicei	Guilty	Chesterfield PD
02/03/19	Felony Stealing	Guilty SES Probation	Maplewood PD
10/03/07	Stealing, Assault on LE Officer	Guilty 180-days jail	St. Peters PD
09/28/96	Felony Stealing	Guilty 3-years prison	Richmond Heights PD
07/19/96	Felony Bad Check	Guilty 3-years prison	Richmond Heights PD
01/25/92	Fel Bad Check	Probation Revoked 5-yrs prison	Beverly Hills Mo PD
06/17/91	Felony Bad Check	Probation revoked 5-yrs prison	St. Louis Co
03/12/91	Felony Bad Check	Probation revoked 5-yrs prison	St. Louis Co
01/23/91	Stealing	Guilty \$250 fine	St. Louis Co PD
12/09/90	Felony Stealing	Guilty Prob revoked 5-yrs prison	Maryland Heights PD

OUTCOME: On February 18, 2020 without hiring a defense attorney she pled guilty to Stealing. She received a straight up conviction and was fined \$100. She also pled guilty to the Theft Devices and was also fined \$100. Nine months later she paid the fines.

FOUR CHESTERFIELD OFICERS WORKING IN PLAIN CLOTHES AT THE OUTLET MALL WATCH SUSPECT STEAL 2 PAIRS OF SUNGLASSES WORTH \$448. On Friday November 16, 2018 at 10:55 in the morning, four Chesterfield Special Enforcement Police Officers were working in plain clothes at the Premium Outlet Mall.

This turned out to be another case where the police department thought thefts by drug addicts at shopping centers are a big deal, while the City Judge and Prosecutor don't.



Trevor McBride



Matt Paubel



Chris Pollman

Officer Hahn No Photo

An early bird shoplifter was seen with a girlfriend stealing the always hip & cool and expensive sunglasses at the Sunglass Hut.

Before the pair could be stopped they were in the getaway car, a 2001 Chevrolet Cavalier. It was last seen going east on Chesterfield Airport Road. Officer Jim Dammrich, another Special Enforcement Unit officer working in uniform in a marked car spotted the suspects and pulled them over onto a parking lot.

The driver was identified as Nicholas Alexander Trueblood, 23, of St. Charles County.

He was removed from the car at which time Officer Dammrich did a pat down search. He had no weapons but a Sunglass Hut price tag was sticking out of Trueblood's waistband and connected to a pair of sunglasses Trueblood was trying to hide in his underwear.

Trueblood said the other pair of sunglasses were in the car.

An officer reviewed the store video and saw that Trueblood's girlfriend was not involved in the theft.

Trueblood's past record:

01/11/20	Moving Vio reduced to Parking Vio \$141 fine	St. Ann PD
05/07/19	2-counts Felony Drug Possession Pending	St. Charles City PD
02/19/19	Felony Drug Possession Pending	St. Charles Co PD
11/16/18	Stealing Pled Guilty to Littering \$215 fine	Chesterfield PD



Nicholas Alexander Trueblood

OUTCOME: On 04/16/19 it was apparent that it was no big deal for drug addicts to come to Chesterfield to steal. The theft of \$448 of Sunglasses was reduced by city prosecutor Tim Engelmeyer, who mayor Bob Nation keeps reappointing even though the guy never actually prosecutes anyone, from Stealing to non-criminal "Littering."

This was okay with Judge Rick "Hire a local lawyer and see your case vanish" Brunk who fined Trueblood \$215 for something he did not do.

OUT OF WORK 55-YEAR-OLD CONSTRUCTION WORKER NEEDS CASH. ARRANGES TO SELL A TV AND THEN GOES TO WAL MART AND STEALS THE TV. On November 13, 2018 55-year-old Andrew Ubel went to the Chesterfield WalMart Store on a mission. He needed to steal a TV and then resell to someone he was meeting in Chesterfield.

Ubel, who lived in Grantwood Village, a small town next to Grant's Farm, that does not produce many criminals, drove to the Chesterfield Wal Mart at 3:30, got a shopping cart and went to the TV section of the store. There he selected a 32-inch Vizio TV valued at \$168.

He put the TV in the cart and headed from the grocery side of the store and pushed the cart out the door only to be briefly stopped by the store greeter who asked to see his receipt for the TV. Ubel refused to show a receipt since he didn't have one. He then pushed the cart and TV to his red Dodge Dakota pickup truck.

Wal Mart has video of the parking lot and had the truck and the license plate number on saved video.

Chesterfield Police Officer Trevor McBride had responded to the store. He was able to identify the thief as Andrew Ubel. He placed a wanted on Ubel.

On November 23, 2018 Ubel was in the County Jail in Clayton having been arrested a Fugitive from Chesterfield. He was picked up and taken to the station. There Chesterfield Police Special Enforcement Officers Fenton and Bromwich interviewed Ubel.

Ubel stated he is a construction worker, and that there has not been much work lately, and he needed to pay a gas bill. He advised he came to the city of Chesterfield because he had previous clients in the area and wanted to see if they had any jobs for him. When there were no jobs to be found, he called a man by the name Bill Thomas. Ubel advised Thomas lives in Illinois and he did not have his phone number available. Ubel stated upon contacting Thomas via telephone Thomas stated he needed a television and would buy one from him. They agreed to meet in Chesterfield so Ubel could sell him a television.

He said he sold the \$168 TV for \$80.



The 1952 model 4-bedroom, 2 ½-bath ranch house in Grantwood Village. It appears as if Ubel maybe should have been stealing grass seed.



Andrew Ubel

08/25/19	Stealing	Guilty	\$100 fine	Bridgeton PD
03/11/19	Stealing, Trespassing	Guilty	30-days jail	Arnold PD
02/15/19	Stealing	Guilty	1-year jail	St. Louis City PD
02/13/19	Stealing, Trespassing	Guilty	10-days jail	Shrewsbury PD
02/06/19	Stealing, Trespassing	Guilty	10-days jail	Shrewsbury PD
12/04/18	Stealing	Guilty	10-days jail	Shrewsbury PD
11/13/18	Stealing	Guilty	10-days jail	Chesterfield PD
08/22/18	Felony Credit Card Fraud	Guilty	2-years prison	St. Louis Co PD
08/21/18	Felony Credit Card Fraud	1/10/20 sent	2-yrs prison	St. Charles City PD
08/21/18	Felony Credit Card Fraud	Guilty	1-year 1-day prison	Bridgeton PD
08/16/18	Stealing	Guilty	\$322 fine (FTA Warrant fail to pay)	Brentwood PD
02/14/09	DWI	Guilty	SES Probation	Maryland Heights PD
01/12/04	Driving While Revoked	Guilty		St. Clair IL SO
09/30/97	Felony Failure to Return Rented Property	SES Probation		Lambert Airport PD

OUTCOME: No lawyer, no mercy in Chesterfield Municipal Court. Ubel pled guilty on 11/13/18 and got 10-days in jail.

JUST ONE SHOT AT 7PM CLAIMS SPEEDING DRUNK DRIVER AT 1AM. Officer Dustin York was working the midnight shift on January 9, 2021 (a Friday night into a Saturday morning). It was 1am when Officer York was on EB I-64 past Mason Road on patrol when he noticed a vehicle in front of him going at a high rate of speed.

Officer York activated the forward moving radar unit in his car and clocked the vehicle (a 2015 Chevrolet Trax) and found the vehicle was doing 84 mph in a 60 zone.



Officer Dustin York

When Officer York had the flashing lights and siren going the driver did not pull over right away until they passed the Ballas Road exit, when the driver pulled over.

York contacted the driver Kaitlyn Nicole Swartz of St. Louis. He noticed the smell of booze on her breath and her bloodshot eyes and asked if she had been drinking. She replied that she had "one shot" three hours earlier. (That one shot would get moved back to 6-hours later at the police station.)

This is from the police report concerning Officer York's observations prior to arresting Swartz.

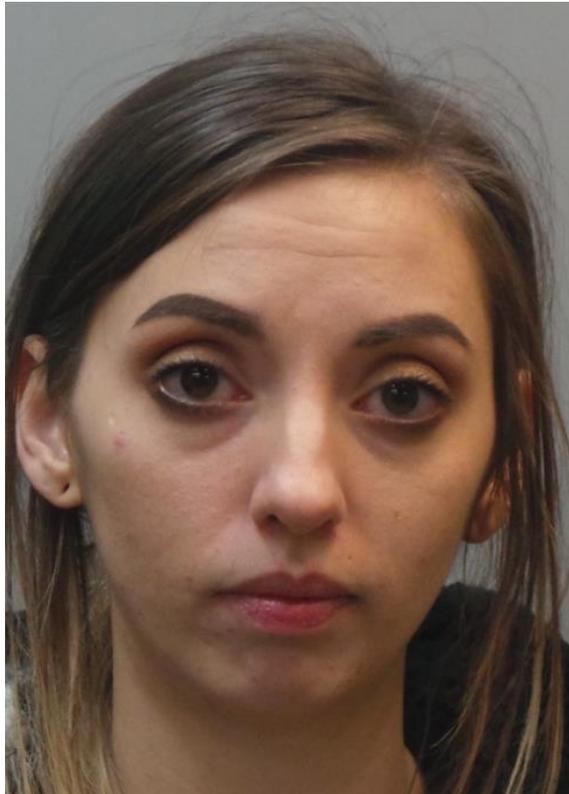
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Swartz passed that counting test Officer York gave her but failed the alphabet reciting tests.

She also failed balance tests. She took a field breath test that showed her BAC level as .139%.

PRELIMINARY BREATH TEST (PBT) POSITIVE FOR ALCOHOL? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> REFUSED RESULT <u>.139</u> %
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She was arrested for Speeding and DWI. After being placed in the police car she asked Officer York to get her backpack out of her car as she wanted to keep it with her. Officer York did as requested. Of course before giving it to Swartz he checked it for weapons and contraband. That is when he found the marijuana smoking device.



Kaithlyn Nicole Swartz



Swartz's eyes

Swartz fail to blow hard enough to leave an air sample for the official breath test at the police station. A lot of suspects simply blow on the outside of the mouthpiece instead of into it, to avoid a breath test showing they are drunk.

Swartz worked mixing drinks at Bar Louie in Chesterfield. Here is the interview from the police report:

WHAT TIME IS IT NOW? ABOUT 1	WHAT IS THE DATE? THE 9TH OF JANUARY 2021	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? CLOSING UP AT WORK AND CHIT-CHATting WITH SOME CO-WORKERS			
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? BUTTERY NIPPLE - BASICALLY BAILEY'S	TIME STARTED 7 PM	TIME STOPPED 1 AND DONE
HOW MUCH? JUST 1 SHOT, 1.25-2 OZ	WHERE? AT THE BAR LOUIE	ARE YOU UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	

Swartz was issued citation for Speeding 85/60, DWI and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. She was released to a sober person.

OUTCOME: This case showed there was a big difference at times between Town and Country Judge Andrea Niehoff and former Chesterfield Judge Rick “Let ‘m Loose if they Hirred a Lawyer” Brunk.

Swartz showed up in T&C Court without a lawyer, but with no prior traffic charges or an arrest record. In Chesterfield if she did that and Pled Guilty to DWI there would be no chance of probation and a very high fine.

However, in this case she pled guilty to the DWI and Judge Niehoff placed her on the usual sentence for first offenders, a 2-year SIS “No Fine, No Points” probation. She was fined \$316 with points for speeding 25 MPH over the limit. (Judge Niehoff is tough on speeders charged with excessive speed.) The marijuana smoking pipe was reduced to “Littering” an offense Swartz never did. She was fined \$166.



Judge Niehoff

3 O’CLOCK IN THE MORNING STOPPED AT INTERSECTION WITH FOOT ON BRAKE PASSED OUT. It was a Saturday night into a Sunday morning on August 16, 2020. Chesterfield Police Officer Devin Holroyd was on patrol when he noticed a Chevrolet Impala stopped at the intersection of Westmeade Drive and Baxter Road.

The driver in the car was making no attempt to drive and in fact appeared to be passed out behind the wheel with his foot on the brake. Officer Holroyd pulled behind the car and lit it up with his police car flashing lights and his spotlight aimed on the rearview mirror. There was no movement on the driver’s part.

Officer Holroyd made contact with the driver who said he had a couple of drinks. There were 2 partial cases of beer in the backseat and two empty beer cans on the front floorboards.

The driver, Mark Austin Lewis, 22, of Troy, Missouri said he had been visiting a friend and was on his way home and that he was tired. (That would later change to he was going to the friend's Chesterfield house.)

Before becoming a police officer Devin Holroyd had a career in the restaurant business as a chef and a manager. He has seen a lot of drunks in his time, not counting the ones he arrests. He was clearly speaking with one while conversing with Lewis, who was occasionally letting out some alcohol filled belches.



Officer Holroyd

He got Lewis out of the car for field sobriety tests. Lewis did not do well. A field breath test showed Lewis BAC level to be .167%.

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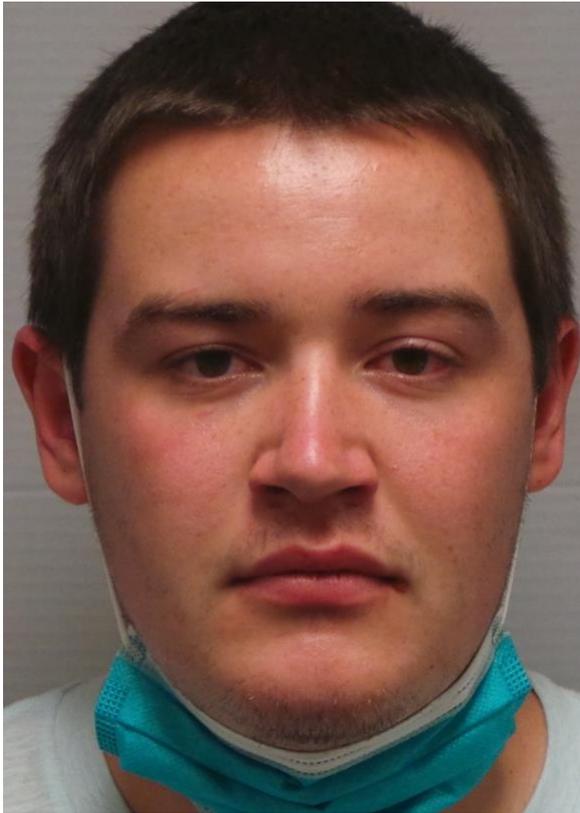
Lewis was arrested.

At the police station he agreed to take an "official" breath test. The results of that test showed he was at .157% BAC.

<p>BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION BY WEIGHT</p> <p>0.157</p>

In an interview Lewis admitted that he thought he was intoxicated. He said he began drinking beer at a bar in Troy at 7pm and quit at 2am and was on his way to his friend's house

Lewis had no prior record of serious traffic violations or DWIs.



Mark Lewis



Lewis' eyes

OUTCOME: Two months after his arrest Lewis had hired a lawyer and on 10/27/20 he pled guilty to DWI. Judge Brunk rewarded him for hiring a lawyer and placed him on a 2-year SIS "No-Points, No Fine, No-Permanent" record probation. Lewis also immediately completed a Substance Abuse program.

PASSED OUT DRUNK DRIVER AT CLAYTON ROAD AND BAXTER TAKES OFF WHEN OFFICER TRIED TO WAKE HIM, DROVE OFF ROAD, CRASHED AND OVERTURNED AND TOTALED HIS CAR: On a very early Sunday September 1, 2019 morning long before the churches would be open, at 3:17am, Chesterfield Police Officer Frank Wood was dispatched to a report driver slumped behind the wheel of a black Chevrolet Impala at the intersection of Clayton Road and Baxter Road with an off-duty Ballwin PD officer stopped behind the car directly traffic around it.



Officer Wood

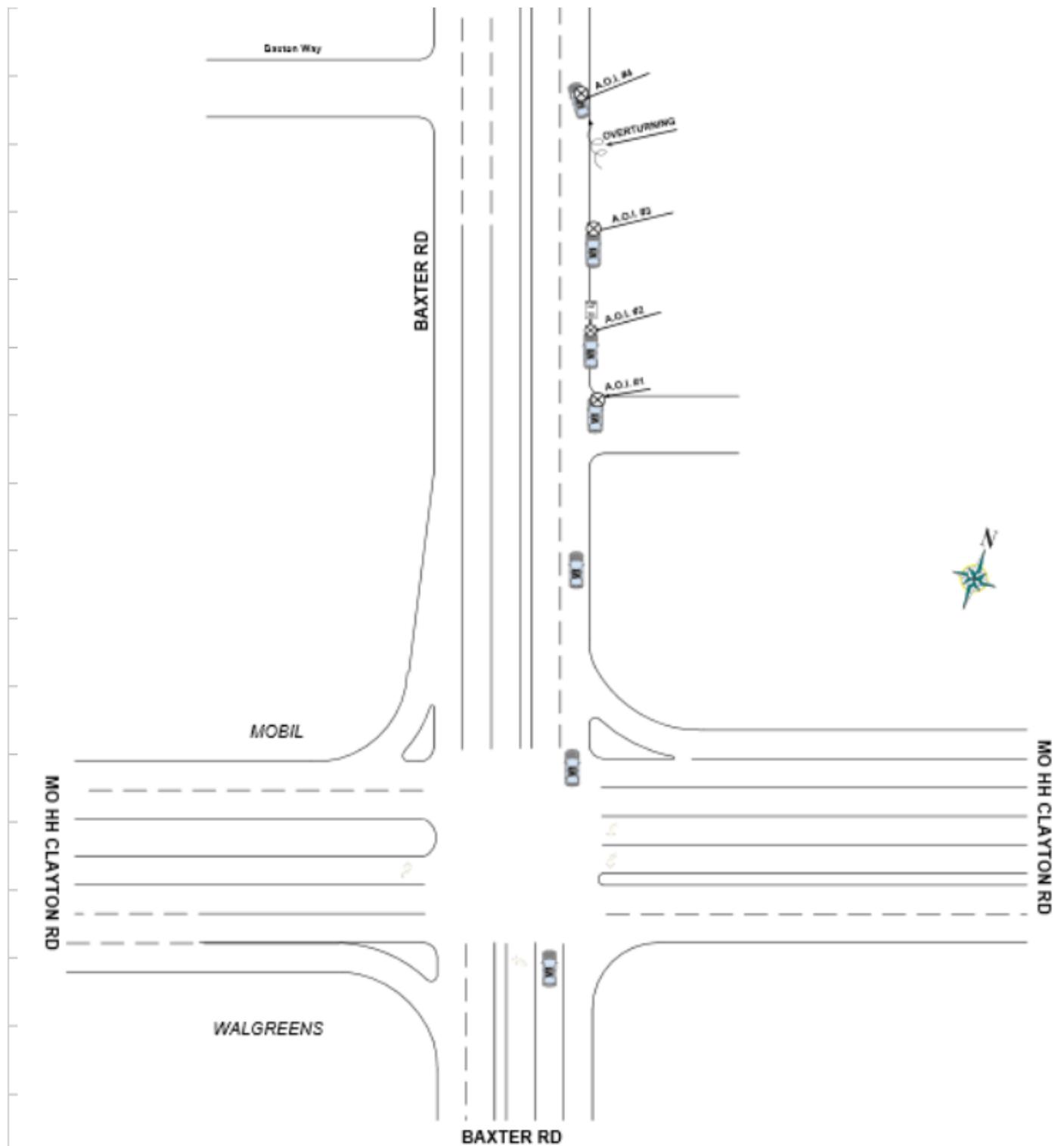
Officer Wood determined that the Texas License Plates on the Chevy were actually registered to a pickup truck.

When Officer Wood went to the driver's window to attempt to wake up the driver his pounding succeeded but with bad results. The driver, Isaac Deron Martin, 29, who had a suspended drivers' license decided to drive off at a high rate of speed. This is what happened next:

I used my fist and banged on the window several times in an attempt to wake the driver. The driver lifted his head off the headrest and turned his head and body away from me (right). At that time, the vehicle began accelerating forward. The vehicle crossed Clayton Road, proceeded north on Baxter Road, went off the roadway to the right, and struck a retaining wall near the intersection of Baxton Way. The vehicle then flipped over onto it's roof, and ended up in the north-bound lane of Baxter Road near the intersection of Baxton Way. Officer Kitrel 317 completed vehicle crash report 19-3980 in reference to this incident.

I was able to open the passenger door of the vehicle, and observed Martin on his hands and knees inside the overturned vehicle. Martin was holding his right hand out asking to be pulled from the vehicle. I pulled Martin from the vehicle, and escorted him to a safe area on the east side of Baxter Road. Martin had to hold my hand and I held his right arm as it appeared he was unable to walk on his own. I could smell an odor of an intoxicating beverage emitting from his breath/person. I also observed a golf ball-sized contusion on the left side of Martin's forehead.

Martin repeatedly said that he did not know what had happened and also that he had only one beer.



The 2014 Impala was totaled after 3-points of impacts with signs, a wall and overturning onto its roof. Martin was uninsured so no insurance company was going to have to open a checkbook on this incident.

Martin was transported to the hospital where he refused to allow a blood draw to test for his BAC or Drug levels.

In an interview he answered all questions by saying he didn't remember and didn't know.

Meanwhile back at the crash site of his overturned car officers found marijuana residue, a digital scale with marijuana residue on it and an empty 50ml bottle of "American Honey" Whiskey.

NO PHOTOS WERE AVAILABLE OF MARTIN

Outcome: Martin was charged with a number of offenses:

09/01/19 DWI/DWID Chesterfield PD

On 10/28/20 Judge Rick Brunk placed Martin on a SIS
"No fine, No-Points, No Permanent Record Probation
This despite the fact he is an ex-convict, convicted felon
This is a good example of how dangerous a man Brunk was
And Mayor Bob Nation was for reappointing him as judge

09/01/19 Driving While Revoked on 10/28/20 PG \$216 fine

09/01/19 No Auto Insurance on 10/28/20 PG \$143 fine

09/01/19 Inattentive Driving on 10/28/20 PG \$216 fine

09/01/19 Possession of Drug Paraphernalia PG SIS probation
No-Fine, No Permanent Record, No Jail Brunk gave
SIS probation despite the digital scale indicating Martin
was dealing marijuana

09/01/19 Op Motor Veh with Open Container of Alcohol
10/28/20 Pled Guilty SIS No fine Probation

Past arrests:

12/14/15 Speeding, Driving While Revoked FTA Warrants MO Hwy Patrol
Issued in 2016

09/06/10 Felony Physically Take Property of Another Guilty St. Louis City PD
Sentence to Prison

02/14/10 Misd Possession of Marijuana \$200 fine MO Hwy Patrol