

# DRUNKS AND THIEVES 2024 PART 9

DECEMBER 10, 2024



## DRINKS AT A WEDDING RECEPTION RESULTS IN A CRASH AND A DWI ARREST

On Friday August 13, 2021 at about 10:21PM Officer Kevin Restive while on patrol observed a Nissan Altima with California plates in the left lane of NB Clarkson Rd near Kehrs Mill Road with front right side damage that include a broken wheel.

Officer Restive contacted the driver, Graham Kist, 33, from Decatur, GA (a former Missouri resident). It was quickly clear the Kist was drunk. This is from the police report:

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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
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BALANCE AND WALKING	<input type="checkbox"/> UNCERTAIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWAYING <input type="checkbox"/> STAGGERING <input checked="" 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: Grey Pants, Grey Shirt, Black Dress 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 type="checkbox"/> OTHER
ATTITUDE	DESCRIBE: Calm

Kist stated he hit a curb with the right side of his car, but then denied driving in the right lane, claiming he was in the left lane all the time. After getting out of the car Kist had to balance himself with his hand on the side of the car. When asked for his drivers' license, he dropped his wallet and eventually produced a Georgia driver's license.

Kist stated that he and his female passenger had been at a wedding reception where he had "few" drinks, the last one an Old Fashion an hour earlier.

Kist promptly failed field sobriety tests. He admitted that the drinks he had may have contributed to hitting the curb.

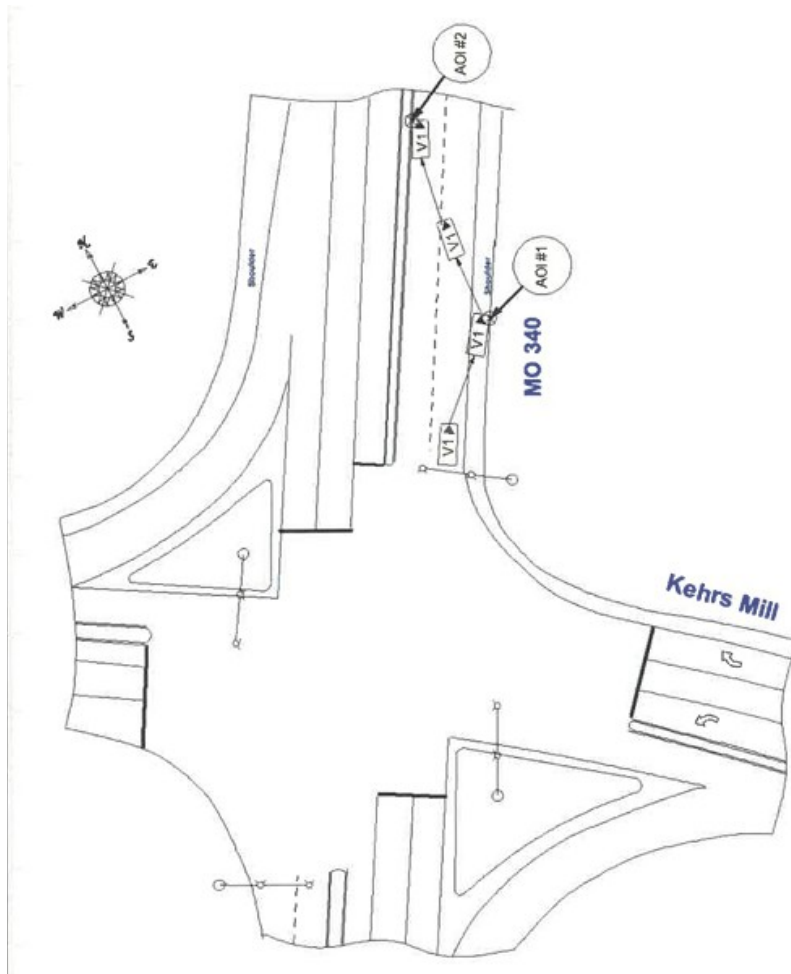


Officer Kevin Restive



Officer Andrew Budd

Officer Andrew Budd investigated the crash. His diagram pretty much tells the story.



Kist was arrested for DWI.

At the police station he agreed to take a breath test. At one hour and 40 minutes after being detained and arrested he took a breath test that showed his **BAC at .181%**.

In an interview at the police station Kist he was not in a crash. Then he was asked if he was operating the vehicle at the time of the crash and he said, "Yes." This is from the police report:

WERE YOU INVOLVED IN A MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH TODAY? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO WHEN:	WERE YOU OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE CRASH? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
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In the same interview he said he did not consider himself intoxicated, despite just testing more the double the legal limit.



Graham Kist



Kist's eyes

**OUTCOME:** On March 7, 2022 Kist with a lawyer appeared in Chesterfield City Court. This might shock you, but Chesterfield City Prosecutor Tim Engelmeyer reduced the charge to Careless Driving. Kist pled guilty and was fined \$500. Chesterfield City Court does not convict drunk drivers if they hire a lawyer even if they are double the legal limit and crash their car.

**ARMED DRIVER VERY DRUNK AT 7:20PM ON SATURDAY NIGHT** On Saturday night April 30, 2022 at 7:19pm Chesterfield Police Officer Todd Lantz received a dispatch to of a motorist reporting a black Dodge Charger being driven erratically and then stopped in the middle of Long Road.

Officer Lantz responded to the area and located a black Dodge Charger at the pumps of a BP gas station at 110 Long Rd.



The driver was pumping gas and noticed Officer Lantz in his marked patrol car nearby. The driver, Leron A, Knight, 21, waved at Officer Lantz, then did a little dance in front of his car. Finally he held up a black object (later determined to be a Glock handgun) and then tossed it on the passenger seat.



Officer Todd Lantz

Officer Lantz stopped Knight in his Dodge Charger as he was driving off the lot. He immediately could tell that Knight was drunk. This is from the police report:

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CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	DESCRIBE: White t-shirt, grey shorts, 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 <input type="checkbox"/>
ATTITUDE	DESCRIBE: Calm, laughing

Knight stated that he was waiting for his girlfriend and pulled into the OT for gas. Officer Lantz then pointed out they were not at a QT but at a BP gas station. He reported that Knight looked confused. He asked Knight if he knew where he was and he said, "Hazelwood."

After he failed field sobriety tests, Knight took a field breath test that showed his BAC level at 0.22%.

PRELIMINARY BREATH TEST (PBT) POSITIVE FOR ALCOHOL? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> REFUSED RESULT <u>.220</u> %
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He was then arrested for DWI. A check of the car revealed the Glock handgun with 19 rounds of ammunition on the passenger seat . The black Dodge Charger was not registered. It was towed.

At the police station in an interview Knight said he had been having some drinks at the Mission Taco in downtown St. Louis and left at 7 o'clock or 20 minutes before his arrest. He still wasn't sure where he was at until he stared at Officer Lantz' Chesterfield PD shoulder patch. In the Interviewed he said he did not consider himself intoxicated.

He agreed to take an "Official" breath test at the police station. The test showed he was now 2 ½ times over the legal limit coming in at 0.203% BAC.

BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION BY WEIGHT  .203%
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Leron Knight



Knight's eyes

03/22/24	Driving While Revoked, Unreg Veh	No CO Police Co-op
10/04/23	Driving While Revoked, Unreg Veh FTA Warrants	St. Louis Co PD
06/13/23	Driving While Revoked, Equip Vio FTA Warrants	Florissant PD
04/08/23	Property Damage FTA Warrant	St. Louis Co PD
06/19/22	No Vehicle Insurance	Creve Coeur PD
04/30/22	DWI, Unreg Vehicle, No Vehicle Insurance	Chesterfield PD
07/20/21	Driving Revoked, Excessive Noise, Unreg Veh FTA Warrants	St. Louis City PD
08/12/18	Excessive Noice \$200 fine	St. Louis City PD

**OUTCOME:** On 01/10/23 Knight and a lawyer appeared in Chesterfield MUNI Court. Knight pled guilty to DWI and was placed on a SIS (no fine, no points and no permanent record) probation term for 2 years. He was fined \$50 for an Unregistered Vehicle and \$191 for the No Vehicle Insurance charge reduced to Parking.

**OLDER SHOPLIFTER ARRESTED FOR STEALING LEGOS AT WALMART** On Saturday November 26, 2022 Chesterfield Police were alerted that an older male shoplifter carrying a bag had refused to stop for store security and was walking toward the nearby Red Lobster.

Officers found the man, an Illinois resident, at his car in the Red Lobster lot and stopped him. In a bag he was carrying they found several items including two Lego sets and two boxes of dog biscuits that the suspect James Lakin, 58, had just stolen, valued at \$123.24.

Lakin denied stealing anything, however, he could not produce a receipt. He said he must have lost the receipt while walking across the parking lot. He admitted that when leaving WalMart a female (security officer) yell for him to stop, but he didn't know her so he kept walking.

Lakin was arrested and later released on a summons from the Chesterfield PD. Here are the items he stole:

1. SJ 46CTPNTRY, SKU 002620017188, \$11.28
2. LEGO 75329, SKU 067341935749, \$55.98
3. LEGO 75329, SKU 067341935749, \$55.98

Total \$123.24

It is odd that Lakin would drive to Missouri to steal after being awarded \$550,000 in an Illinois "slip and fall" case.

In 2017 a Madison County Illinois court awarded Lakin \$550,000 in a slip and fall case at a Casey's General Store. This is from an article in the Madison-St. Clair Record on January 9, 2017:

Plaintiff James Lakin, 52, will receive \$300,000 for the loss of a normal life and \$250,000 for pain and suffering over an incident in which he claimed to have slipped on a clear liquid Dec. 27, 2013, and injured his right shoulder.

Here is Lakin's record, plus numerous civil actions we did not include:

11/26/22	Stealing	Chesterfield PD
04/30/17	Lic Plate Violation \$120 fine	Freeburg IL PD
10/29/07	No Valid Ops' Lic, Obstructed Windshield	IL State Police
07/22/07	Speeding 20+ over limit	MO Hwy Patrol
06/04/07	Speeding 15-20 over limit \$75 fine	Edwardsville IL PD
02/01/04	Speeding 16-19 over limit \$80 fine	MO Hwy Patrol
01/01/01	Illegal Lane Change, Driving While Suspended	Illinois State Police
02/28/96	No Vehicle Insurance	Roxana IL PD
01/23/92	Speeding 11-15 over limit	Cahokia Hts IL PD
06/15/89	False Report to Police	Pontoon IL PD

**OUTCOME:** 06/27/23 Lakin pled guilty to stealing and was placed on a 2-year SIS (no fine, no permanent record) probation.

**DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVER DRIVES OFF ROAD , HITS TRAFFIC SIGN AND THE TRIES TO DRIVE OFF WITH SIGN STUCK UNDER HER CAR:** On Tuesday April 11, 2023 at about 6:47pm police were getting calls of a possible drug driver north on Clarkson Road from Manchester.

The vehicle was a Hyundai Santa Fe being driven by 57-year-old **Lori Ann Kristjansson**. Upon reaching Clarkson/Olive Blvd and Chesterfield Parkway Kristjansson swerved to the left, drove up on the median and struck a MoDOT traffic sign, leaving with the sign stuck under the car and a flat tire.

A witness followed the Hyundai onto a parking lot. Chesterfield Police Officer Gregory Rupp drove onto the parking lot and the witness pointed the suspect vehicle to him. It was stopped across parking spaces. Kristjansson was standing near the vehicle.



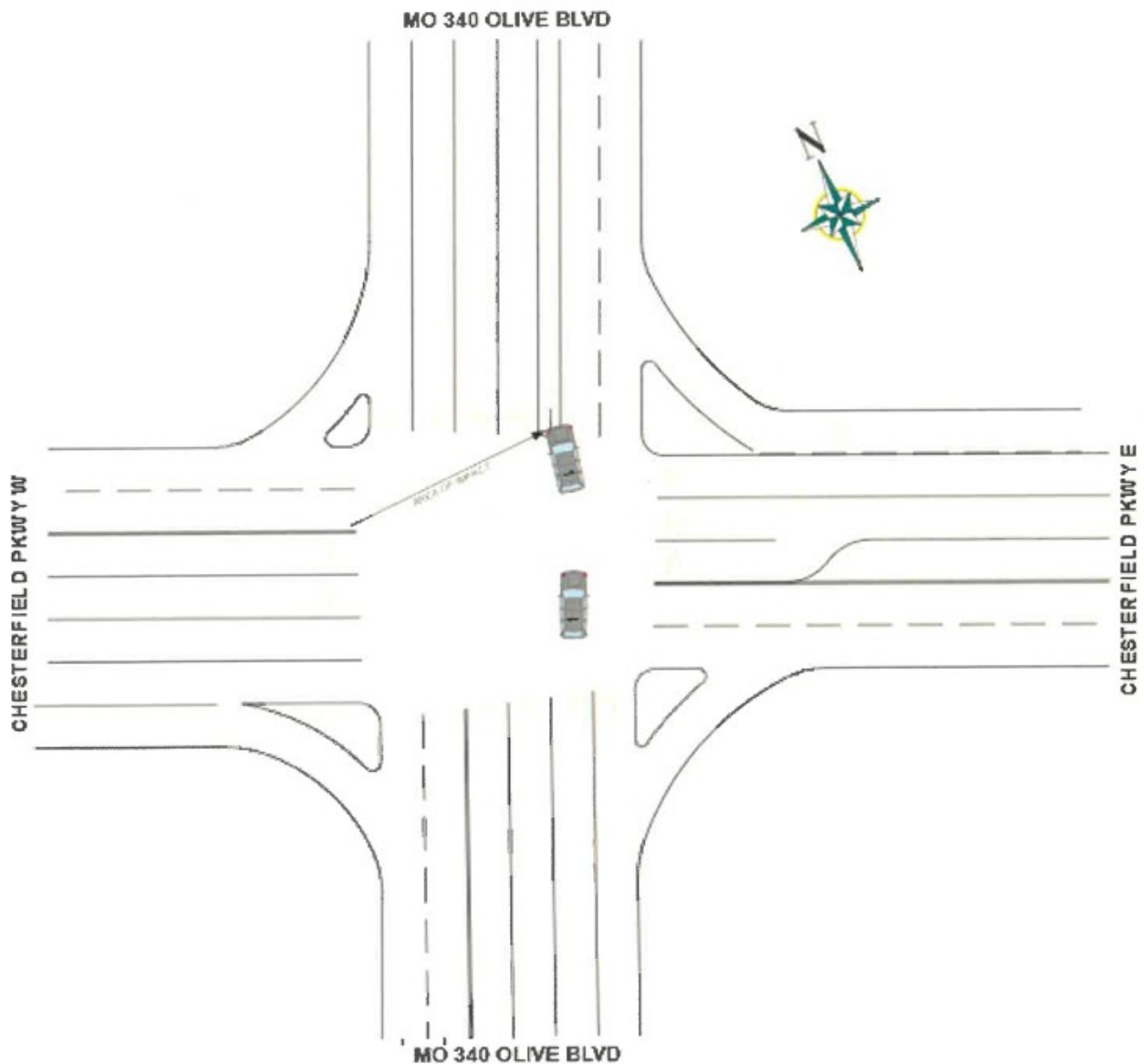
Officer Rupp

Officer Rupp asked for her drivers' license and proof of insurance. When she got her purse from the front seat of the car Officer Rupp saw prescription pill bottles in her purse and on the floor of the car. It was also clear to Officer Rupp that Kristjansson had been drinking, something that she denied.

When asked if she had been driving, she said, "Yes." However, she also stated that she did not know how the car got the flat tire, damage or highway sign stuck under the body.

She said she last took medicine at 2pm. It was her birthday and she was going to a friend's. She said she left her house in Maplewood but did not remember the route she drove. When asked where her friend lived, she did not know. She then failed standard field sobriety tests. This is from the police report:

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SPEECH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLURRED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONFUSED <input type="checkbox"/> INCOHERENT <input type="checkbox"/> STUTTERING <input type="checkbox"/> MUMBLING
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	DESCRIBE: <i>Gray Sport Bra, Black Shorts, Flip Flops</i> 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: <i>Confused</i>



Kristjansson was arrested. At the police station she agreed to take an “official” breath test but on three tries was unable to provide a enough sample of her breath to be tested. She agreed to a blood draw and was taken to St. Luke’s Hospital.

The Missouri Highway Patrol lab tested the blood and found that her BAC level was .168%. The test also found drugs in her blood but those details were deleted from the report released to me.

In an interview at the police station Kristjansson again denied having had any booze. She stated she did not know what time it was and more remarkably did not know where she was, despite, crashing in the middle of Chesterfield, being placed in a marked

Chesterfield Police car, being at the Chesterfield Police Station and being around officers with Chesterfield Police patches on their sleeves. She also stated that she had not been in a motor vehicle crash, despite looking at the damage to her car.

Despite being unable to provide a breath test for the Breathalyzer at the station, five hours after her arrest she was able to provide a breath sample for a hand held field breath test instrument. That showed he BAC level was .156%.

She was issued citations for DWI and Improper Lane Use Resulting in a crash.



Lori Ann Kristjansson



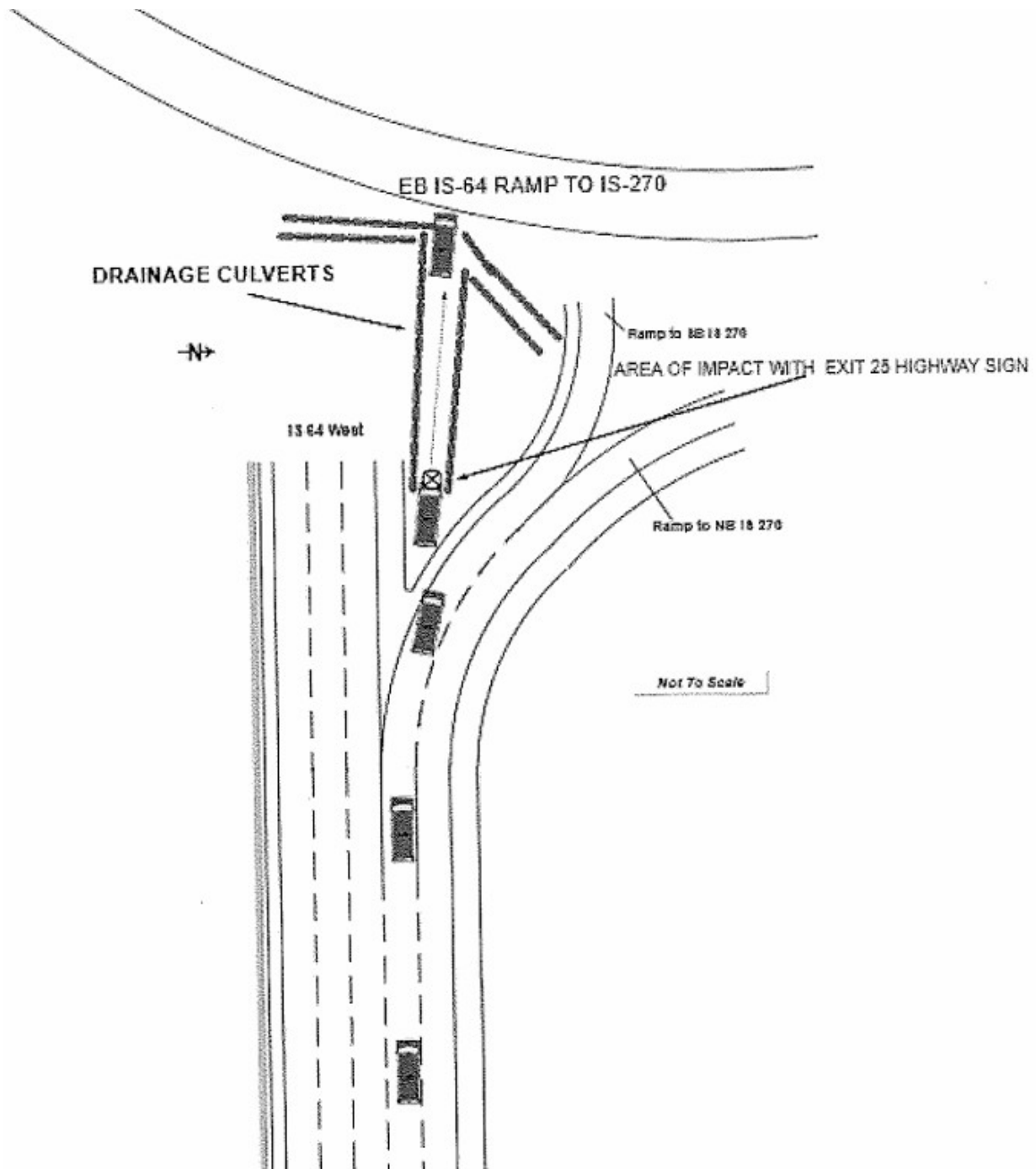
Kristjansson's eyes

04/11/23	DWI, Improper Lane Use Resulting in Crash	Chesterfield PD
10/10/21	Speeding 20-25 over limit \$155 fine	Town & Country PD
08/21/20	Speeding 10mph over \$60 fine	Maplewood PD
09/05/19	Speeding 20+ over limit \$155 fine	Chesterfield PD

**OUTCOME:** On 09/12/23 Kristjansson pled guilty to DWI and was placed on a 2-year SIS (no fine, o points, no permanent record) probation. She also pled guilty to Inattentive Driving and was fined \$191.

**CAR OFF THE HIGHWAY IN A DITCH PRODUCES A DRUNK DRIVER** On Thursday September 9, 2021 at 3:50am Town and Country Officer Ryan Schneider was dispatched to a call of a car in a ditch on I-64 ramp to I-270.

First Officer Schneider contacted a witness, a tractor-trailer truck driver, who told him the white Honda Odyssey that was being driven in front of him drove off the highway at the SB I-270 exit, hit a MoDOT highway sign and then down a step hill into a ditch with the taillights disappearing. He added that the driver was trying to drive out of the ditch.



Officer Schneider contacted the driver of the Honda, 22-year-old Sheldon Bedford, of St. Charles, who was standing next to the Honda. Bedford stated he had no idea how the crash happened but also said he “shouldn’t be driving”

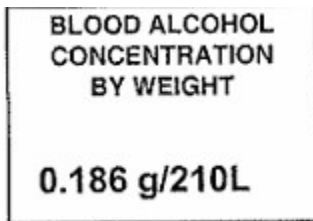
When asked why he should not be driving he said “I’m not OK to drive. I shouldn’t have been driving, I am drunk.”

This is from the police report:

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PUPILS	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> SLOW REACTION TO LIGHT	<input type="checkbox"/> DILATED	<input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL
BALANCE AND WALKING	<input type="checkbox"/> UNCERTAIN	<input type="checkbox"/> SWAYING	<input type="checkbox"/> STAGGERING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STUMBLING
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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

Bedford promptly failed field sobriety tests and was arrested for DWI. A computer check also showed his drivers' license was suspended.

At the Town & Country police station Bedford agreed to take a breath that showed his BAC level to be at .186%.

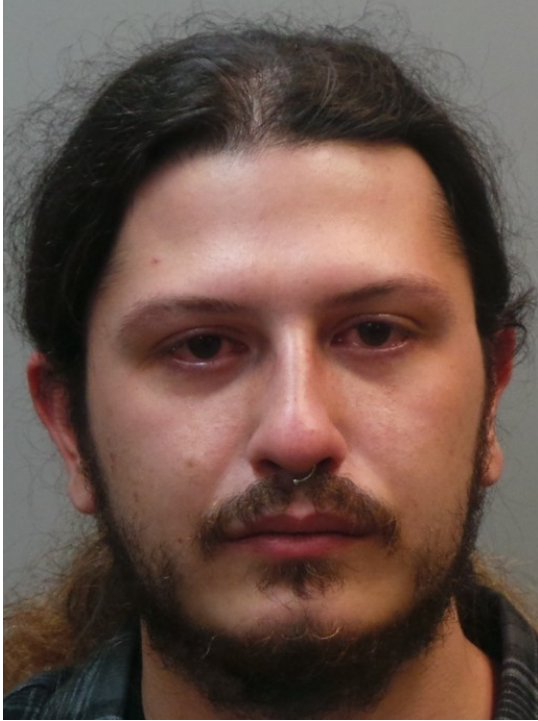


In an interview he said he thought he was in St. Charles. He stated he had beer and 3-shots before driving.



Officer Ryan Schneider

He was issued citations for DWI and Driving While Suspended.



**Sheldon Bedford**



Bedford's eyes

09/09/21 DWI, Driving While Suspended

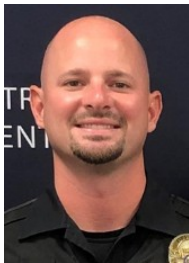
Town & Country PD

05/08/20 Felony Drug Possession SES Probation

St. Charles Co PD

**OUTCOME:** On 07/21/22 Bedford with an attorney Pled Guilty to DWI and was placed on a 2-year SES probation term in lieu of 90 days jail. He was fined \$216 after pleading guilty to Driving While Suspended.

**ARRESTED FOUR TIMES FOR DWI, CREVE COEUR WOMAN DECIDES TO MAKE IT FIVE** Dawn Marie Barajas, 49, of Creve Coeur, was arrested for DWI for the fifth time on 12/19/20 at 2am on Conway Road. She was stopped for weaving by Town and Country Officer **Josh Hamel**.



Officer Hamel

Barajas pled guilty to Felony Chronic DWI on January 5, 2024. Normally after guilty pleas the police report becomes an open public record, but not in this case.

St. Louis County Assoc Circuit Judge Margaret McCarthy accepted the guilty plea but delayed sentencing for two years until January 5, 2026. Judge McCarthy assigned Barajas alcohol treatment programs before sentencing. Most judges require attending programs as part of the actual sentence.

Since we were unable to get the DWI report we obtained the Court Records including the Problem Cause Statement by office Hamel which gives a short version of what happened.

DAWN MARIE BARAJAS 950 E. RUE DE LABANQUE, APT. 208 SAINT LOUIS, MO 63141	RACE: White SEX: Female DOB: 03/26/1975 HGT: 5'08" WGT: 145lbs. P.D.: Town and Country ORI Number: MO0957200	SSN: 547-49-7557 OCN: QK000450 CASE ID: 189423449 RPT NO: 20-1130 CT. NO:
<b>Aliases:</b>		
<b>Defendant</b>		

**CHARGES**

Count: 01 DWI – CHRONIC – CLASS C FELONY  
Count: 02 DRIVING WHILE REVOKED/SUSPENDED - 1ST OFFENSE – CLASS D MISDEMEANOR

**COUNT: 01 DWI – CHRONIC – CLASS C FELONY**

That Dawn Barajas, in violation of Section 577.010, committed the class C felony of driving while intoxicated, punishable upon conviction under Sections 558.002, 558.011 and 577.010 RSMo, in that on or about December 19, 2020, Conway Road and MO-141 in the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, the defendant operated a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol. Defendant is a chronic offender and is required to serve a minimum of two years' imprisonment before being eligible for probation or parole in that:

1. On or about July 5, 2012, defendant had pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated for events occurring on August 26, 2009, in the St. Louis County Municipal Division of the 21st Judicial Circuit Court of the State of Missouri, 2. On or about July 25, 2012, defendant had pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated for events occurring on March 18, 2009, in the Creve Coeur Municipal Division of the 21st Judicial Circuit Court of the State of Missouri, 3. On or about October 2, 2012, defendant had pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated for events occurring on September 21, 2011, in the 21st Judicial Circuit Court of the State of Missouri, and 4. On or about April 18, 2019, defendant had pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated for events occurring on May 4, 2018, in the 21st Judicial Circuit Court of the State of Missouri.

Here are the DWI convictions:

12/19/20	Felony DWI Pled Guilty 01/05/24	Town & Country PD
05/04/18	DWI Pled Guilty 04/18/19	St. Louis Co
09/21/11	DWI Pled Guilty 07/25/12	Frontenac PD
08/26/09	DWI Pled Guilty 07/05/12	St. Louis Co
03/18/09	DWI Pled Guilty 07/25/12	Creve Coeur PD

I, Josh Hamel, DSN 0126, Town and Country Police Department, knowing that false statements on this form are punishable by law, state that the facts contained herein are true and documented in report number 20-1130. I have probable cause to believe that on December 19, 2020, at Conway Road and MO-141, Dawn Barajas, White, Female, DOB 03/26/1975, 5'08", 145lbs, committed one or more criminal offense(s).


Count: 01      DWI - CHRONIC

Count: 02      DRIVING WHILE REVOKED/SUSPENDED - 1ST OFFENSE

The facts supporting this belief are as follows: Officer observed defendant operating a motor vehicle and weaving between the fog line and the yellow dividing line. Defendant was stopped for a traffic violation. Upon contact with defendant, officer observed clues of intoxication, including a strong odor of intoxicants about defendant's person, water, bloodshot, and glassy eyes, swaying and staggering balance, and slurred and mumbling speech. Defendant nearly staggered into officer as she exited her vehicle. Defendant admitted to consuming alcohol. Defendant performed poorly on standardized field sobriety tests. Officer read to defendant the Missouri Implied Consent Law. Defendant refused to submit a sample of her breath. Defendant has four prior intoxication related traffic offenses. Defendant conducted a computer inquiry, which revealed defendant's driver's license was revoked. Defendant stated she knew her driver's license was not valid.

I believe that the defendant poses a danger to the community or to any other person because driving while intoxicated puts other drivers on the road in danger. This is defendant's fifth DWI arrest, and defendant has four prior intoxication related traffic offenses.

Josh Hamel, DSN 0126, Town and Country Police Department

[Signature] 126      Date: 11/29/2021



Dawn Barajas



Barajas' eyes

12/19/20	Fel DWI, Driving While Revoked, Imp Lane Use Town & Country PD No Proof of Veh Ins	
05/04/18	DWI Conviction	St. Louis Co Ct
09/21/11	DWI SES Probation, No Valid Op Lic \$250 fine Moving Vio reduced to Parking Vio \$250 fine	Frontenac PD
08/26/09	DWI	St. Louis Co Ct
03/18/09	DWI	Creve Coeur PD
03/25/08	Moving Vio reduced to Parking Vio \$200 fine	MO Hwy Patrol
12/02/04	No Valid Operators' License \$200 fine Speeding \$75 fine	MO Hwy Patrol
03/08/94	Failure to Keep Right causing Crash \$250 fine	MO Hwy Patrol
09/06/92	Speeding 70+ \$30 fine	MO Hwy Patrol

**MAN RETURNS AN EXTERIOR HEATER AT HOME DEPOT, GETS A STORE CREDIT, SHOPS AND THEN TAKES A NEW EXTERIOR HEATER WITHOUT USING CREDIT OR PAYING FOR IT.**

On Sunday 11/21/21 at 12:07 Muhammad Bilal, 44, from Thornhill Drive in Town and Country took an exterior heater back to the T&C Home Depot Store claiming it was defective. He was given a card for Store Credit on the heater.

Bilal then shopped, picked up a new exterior heater valued at \$229. Bilal then went to a cashier stand, paid for the smaller items in his cart, but not the new heater nor did he use his Store Credit card. After paying for the smaller items he pushed the cart outside without making any attempt to pay for the exterior heater.

The cashier notified store security with an agent stopping Bilal and taking him to the store's security office and called the Town and Country Police. Officer Gowen responded.

Bilal denied stealing anything but his receipt did not show the exterior heater. He was arrested and taken to the T&C police station. After a Miranda Warning Bilal was asked if he paid for the heater. He said he didn't know.

He was issued a summons for Stealing.



Bilal

11/21/21	Stealing	Town & Country PD
08/20/16	Moving Vio reduced to Loud Muffler \$200 fine	MO Hwy Patrol
03/21/14	Expired Lic Plates \$51 fine	St. Ann PD

**OUTCOME:** On 08/09/23 Bilal and a defense attorney came to Town and Country Municipal Court. The Stealing charge was reduced to Littering, Bilal pled guilty and was fine \$266.

## EXPIRED TEMP TAG LEADS TO ANOTHER DWI ARREST FOR CHESTERFIELD MAN

On Thursday night into Friday morning March 4, 2022 Town and Country Police Officer Dustin York while on I-64 observed a 2022 Kia in front of him with a temporary cardboard license tag that expired in December of 2021.



Officer York

Officer York pulled the car over after it entered Chesterfield and contacted the driver, Michael Bliss, 41, living on Wild Horse Creek Parkway in Chesterfield. Bliss did not have a valid drivers' license saying it was because of Covid.

Bliss had clearly been drinking. This is from the police report:

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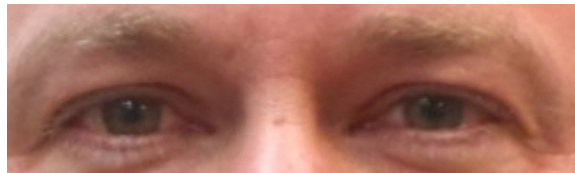
When asked to do a field sobriety test Bliss stated that he did not have any injuries, but while doing a walk-and-turn test he complained that he injured his foot playing tennis. He then complained the surface was not level (Officer York disagreed).

When asked how much he had to drink he stated he had three beers and a shot at a "Hot Shots" bar in Fenton.

Bliss was arrested for DWI and taken to the police station where he refused to take an "official breath test." He also refused to be interviewed.



Michael Bliss



Bliss' eyes

01/20/24	Driving While Revoked	MO Hwy Patrol
10/09/23	Disobey Stop Sign \$60 fine, Unreg Veh \$50 fine	St. Louis Co PD
09/14/23	Unreg Veh \$50 fine, Driver Revoked reduced to Misc Ord Vio \$466 fine	O'Fallon MO PD
03/23/23	Exp Lic Plates \$43 fine, No Valid DL \$193 Fine	Manchester PD
03/04/22	DWI, No Valid Drivers' Lic, Unregistered Veh	Town & Country PD
02/25/20	Defective Equipment \$50 fine	Chesterfield PD
08/03/08	Moving Vio reduced to Parking Vio \$300 fine	St. Louis Co PD

**OUTCOME:** On 05/15/24, two years after his arrest he appeared in Town and Country Court with a lawyer. Bliss pled guilty to DWI and was placed on a 2-year SIS (no points, no fine, no permanent record) probation term. The Driving While Revoked charge was dropped to a Parking Violation with a \$191 fine. Bliss walked out of the court room with no points on his driving record and no conviction of a Moving Violation.

**SPEEDING, LANE WEAVING DRIVER ON I-64 ARRESTED FOR DWI.** On Saturday night into Sunday morning on January 8, 2023 at 2:07am Town & Country Police Sgt Freddie Yaakub was westbound on I-64 approaching Mason Road when he observed a white Hyundai SUV both speeding and lane weaving in front of him.

The police car's radar unit showed the SUV was doing 80 MPH in the 60 zone. He watched the vehicle continue to weave and then pass a vehicle at high speed. Sgt. Yaakub attempted to stop the driver at Hwy 141, but the driver continued into Chesterfield finally stopping at Timberlake Manor Parkway.



Sgt. Yaakub

The driver, **Zachary J. Bond**, 27, of St. Charles, was told why he was stopped. He said he was in a hurry to get home to let his dogs out.

It was clear to Sgt. Yaakub that Bond had been doing some drinking. Bond said he just had one beer at a friend's house. That would later change.

After getting out of the SUV to do field sobriety tests, he tripped over his feet. He then failed the sobriety tests. Bond refused to take a field breath test. He was arrested for DWI, Speeding and Lane Weaving.

This is from the police report:

OFFICER'S OBSERVATION MADE PRIOR TO ARREST OR CUSTODY (Check appropriate box(es) and add an	
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 type="checkbox"/> WATERY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BLOODSHOT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GLASSY <input type="checkbox"/> STARING <input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL EY <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 type="checkbox"/> STAGGERING <input checked="" 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
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	DESCRIBE: BUTTON DOWN/JEANS/DRESS SHOES SOILED BY: NA

At the police station he refused to take an "official" breath test. However, during booking he went to the floor and did seven pushups, saying he bet no one else has done that.

Bond agreed to be interviewed. When asked what day it was he replied, "I don't fucking know." At 3:11am he was asked what time it was. He replied 12:30 or 1."

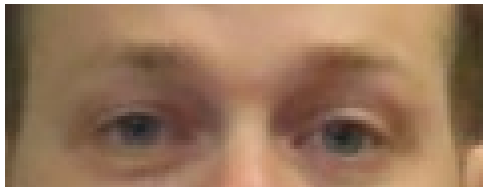
His story about being at a friend's house and having just one beer changed. He now said he had been at Helen Fitzgerald's Pub on South Lindbergh Blvd and he was drinking "whatever they put into the glass."



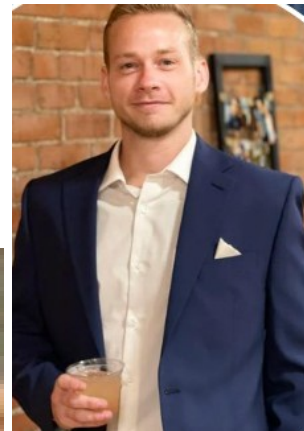
He stated he did not know when he started drinking or when he stopped.



**Zachary Bond**



Bond's eyes



His facebook has a photo of him with a drink in his hand. Bond is a CBC HS grad.

01/08/23	DWI, Speeding, Lane Weaving	Town & Country PD
01/15/19	Moving Vio reduced to Parking Vio	St. Louis Co PD
01/12/18	Speeding 20-25 over limit \$155 fine	MO Hwy Patrol
10/21/17	Moving Vio reduced to Parking Vio \$167 fine	St. Charles Co PD
12/18/15	Moving Vio reduced to Loud Muffler \$225 fine	St. Charles Co PD
11/21/12	Moving Vio reduced to Loud Muffler \$155 fine	MO Hwy Patrol

**OUTCOME:** On May 18, 2023 Bond and his lawyer Charles W. Billings, the Municipal Judge of Manchester and son of Charles H Billings, Des Peres City Judge, appeared in Town and Country Court.

I'm sure what happened next will amaze you (just kidding). T&C Prosecutor Keith Cheung reduced the speeding charge to a Parking Violation with a \$191 fine and no points. The Lane Weaving was reduced to Parking Violation with a \$41 fine.

The T&C Judge Andrea Niehoff accepted a prearrange deal for Bond to pled guilty to DWI and be sentenced to a SIS (no points, no fine, no permanent record) 2-year probation term. Bond left the court room with no points on his drivers' license and no record of a moving violation. (This was the fifth time Bond had moving violations reduced to non-moving no-points violations, a fact ignored by the Town and Country Court taking care of defense lawyers before the public's safety.)

**GRANDDAUGHTER RIDING WITH HER GRANDFATHER CALLS POLICE BECAUSE HE WAS DRUNK AND WOULD NOT STOP DRIVING.** On November 20, 2023 at 5:42pm Town and Country Police Officer Lauren Wolfe was dispatched to the Manchester Meadows Shopping Center concerning a drunk driver.

The reporting party was the adult granddaughter of the suspect, **Scott Bosaw, 69**, of Des Peres. On Officer Wolfe's arrival she located the 2017 Ford on the parking lot occupied by Bosaw and his granddaughter Kylie. Officer Wolfe contacted Kylie first. Kylie stated that her grandfather had been drinking and was giving her a ride to Dobbs Auto to pick up her car. She stated that just earlier he had rear ended a car on Manchester Road. Her grandfather pulled into Manchester Meadows but would not stop driving until she called the police.

Officer Wolfe reported that Bosaw appeared to be drunk. This is from the police 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				
EYES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WATERY	<input type="checkbox"/> BLOODSHOT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GLASSY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STARING	<input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL E
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
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After failing the field tests, Bosaw was asked if he had been in an accident. He stated that he “bumped into a car” on Manchester Road, but the other driver did not see any damage and did not want a police report.

Bosaw failed stationary field sobriety tests, but said he could not do walking or balance tests due to past leg injuries. He did a field breath test that showed his BAC to be .191%.

PRELIMINARY BREATH TEST (PBT) POSITIVE FOR ALCOHOL? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> REFUSED RESULT <u>.191</u> %
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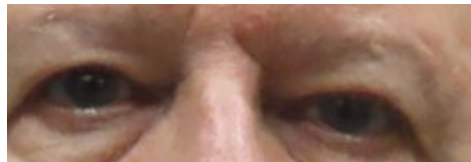
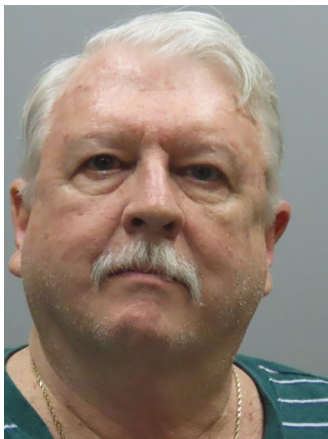
He was arrested for DWI.

At the police station he agreed to take an “Official” breath test that was given 1-hour 20-minutes after his contact with the police. That test showed that his BAC level was dropping but he was still drunk. The test showed a BAC level of .146%.

BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION BY WEIGHT  .146%
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Bosaw’s car was not towed but released to this granddaughter. He was issued a citation for DWI and released to his wife. Bosaw had no prior traffic cases.

### Scott Evan Bosaw



In an interview at the police station Bosaw stated that he did not consider himself drunk. He said the date was 11/18 and not the correct date of 11/20. He said he had only had a half ounce of bourbon at his house contradicting his telling Officer Wolfe on the Manchester Meadows parking lot that he had a couple of drinks.

**OUTCOME:** On 02/01/2024 Bosaw and his defense attorney were at Town and Country Municipal Court. Bosaw pled guilty to DWI, but even though he had hit a car, had his granddaughter as a passenger, ignored her begging for him to stop driving and only stopped when she called the police, he was given a SIS (no fine, no points, no permanent record) probation term.