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ARRAIGNMENTS

Thirteen people were arraigned today. All entered not guilty pleas.

Paul Susralski, 48, of Van Wert, four counts of pandering sexually oriented material involving minors, each a felony two; four counts of illegal use of minors in nudity oriented material, each a felony two; four counts of pandering obscenity involving a minor, each a felony two; and possession of criminal tools, a felony of the fifth degree. His bond was set at \$500,000 with 10 percent cash and the case was set for pretrial at 1:45 p.m. Wednesday.

Amber Baker, 23, of Van Wert, two counts of possession of drugs, each a felony of the fifth degree. She was released on surety bond with a pretrial date of July 31.

Kristin Heath, 25, of Rockford, burglary, a felony two; theft, a felony three. She was released on surety bond with a pretrial date of July 31.

Stephanie Fannon, 25, of Van Wert, three counts of trafficking drugs, each a felony four. She was released on surety bond with a pretrial date of July 31.

Ryan Miller, 23, of Van Wert, two counts receiving stolen property, two counts theft, one count theft by deception, one count possession of drugs; each count is a felony of the fifth degree. He was released on surety bond with a pretrial date of July 31.

Eva Leiendecker, 27, of Venedocia, five counts of harassment by inmate, each a felony of the fifth degree. Her bond was set at \$50,000 cash with a pretrial date to be set.

Stephanie Semer, 26, of Van Wert, burglary, felony three. She was released on surety bond and pretrial set for 8 a.m. Wednesday.

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Adam Partin, 20, of Delphos, possession of cocaine, a felony five. He was released on surety bond and pretrial set for 8 a.m. Wednesday.

Dezmond Bywaters, 21, of Van Wert, theft, a felony five. He was released on surety bond and pretrial set for 8 a.m. July 31.

Drake Hitchcock, 30, of Van Wert, possession of drugs, felony five. He was released on surety bond and pretrial set for 8 a.m. Aug. 7.

Christopher Lindeman, 25, of Delphos, receiving stolen property, a felony five. He was released on surety bond and pretrial set for 8 a.m. Aug. 7.

Roger Risner, 49, of Rensselaer, Ind., assault, a felony four. He was released on surety bond and pretrial set for 8 a.m. Aug. 7.

Walter Stephens, 59, of Vero Beach, Fla., two counts importuning, each a felony of the third degree. His bond was set at \$100,000 and pretrial was set for 8 a.m. Aug. 7.

CHANGE OF PLEA

Rhonda Kline, 52, of Delphos, changed her plea to guilty on four charges: aggravated trafficking, felony three (amended from felony two); aggravated trafficking, felony three (amended from felony two); trafficking drugs, felony five with a specification that she used a 1989 Dodge Caravan in the commission of the offense; and aggravated trafficking, felony three. A fifth charge of trafficking, a felony five was dismissed for her pleas to the other four charges. The Court ordered a pre-sentence investigation and set sentencing for at 9 a.m. Aug. 28.

SENTENCINGS

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Cody McGinnis, 29, of Van Wert, was sentenced to 36 months prison on a charge of endangering children, a felony of the third degree. He was also ordered to pay court costs.

Robert Thompson, 29, of Van Wert was sentenced on two counts: aggravated trafficking in drugs, a felony three and aggravated trafficking in drugs, felony four. The sentence was 18 months prison on each count, concurrent, credit six days. He was also ordered to pay court costs and a mandatory fine of \$5,000 was imposed.