



FBI LOUISVILLE CITIZENS ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

February 2020

We hope you had a joyous holiday season and are welcoming in the New Year safely.

The new Board is settling in and are meeting to conjure up some activities for you to partake in. It is not an easy task but we hope you will bear with us and come to the various activities to have fun, rekindle friendships, meet new folks, and learn something new.

We also want to take this time to let you know that we now have a new mailing address:

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Annual Christmas Dinner/Silent Auction

Submitted by: Mindy Rockwell

It was a wonderful gathering of alums for the annual Christmas dinner and Silent Auction which was held at the Owl Creek Country Club in Louisville, KY.

Frankly, I was having so much fun seeing everyone again and talking to them that I forgot to take pictures of everyone who was there.



The tables were decorated with little gift bags holding some tasty items inside, and on the outside was an ornament to put on your tree.

Thanks to everyone who donated toward the wonderful gift we had Retired Agent Frank Charles make for us which we presented to Otis Florence for all his years serving us as President.



Let's do this again next year!

Louisville FBICAAA President Accepts National FBICAAA Position

Submitted by George Nix

On Monday, January 6, 2020, FBILCAAA President Mindy Rockwell accepted a Volunteer position with the National FBICAAA organization. Last year the National office went through a major restructuring with members reaching the end of their terms. Volunteers either moved into other positions or retired. The result was several openings needing to be filled with interested Chapter representatives.

Mindy was considered because of her involvement with National. After she was contacted and expressed an interest, Mindy went through several rounds of interviews before the position was offered. She will fill the role of the Regional Chapter Coordinator (RCC) for Region 1. In this capacity she will have responsibility for building trust and fostering relationships with Chapter Leaders, host bi-monthly Regional Calls, and serve as an information resource providing coaching, feedback, direction, and support to Chapter Leaders.



Region 1 is comprised of the following Chapters:

Cincinnati
CJIS (FBI Criminal Justice Information Services located in West Virginia)
Cleveland
Detroit
Indianapolis
Louisville
Milwaukee
Minneapolis
Pittsburgh
Springfield

Mindy was a graduate of FBICA Class #2 in Louisville when Louisville was the only place to go for the academy. She soon became the Historian, a Certified Speaker, and a Lifetime Member of the organization. Mindy became Secretary and took over the Newsletter when the slot was vacated. With the 2019 elections last December she was chosen as President.

Mindy has also attended numerous other citizen academies (21+ and counting) to which she brings a variety of ideas. She is also a Lifetime Member with the Lexington Police Citizens Academy where she is the Newsletter Editor and has mentored seven people (one of which became a Lexington Police Officer) through the various academies.

Mindy is very passionate about law enforcement as a whole and dives in to her various roles with vigor. She is also passionate about the military as her father served in the Army from 1958 to 1979 as Chief of Optometry.

Mindy plans on retiring from State Government this coming August, but with all these new duties it is doubtful she will actually be "retiring." Not only will she be working with us and with National; she also plans to write some true crime books, travel, and continue with her crocheting and reading.

Congratulations to Mindy on her appointment!

Three LMPD Officers Charged in Overtime Case Plead Guilty and Agree to Pay \$170,000 in Restitution

Monday, October 28, 2019

LOUISVILLE, KY – Three Louisville Metropolitan Police Department (LMPD) officers charged with wire fraud for their part in a scheme to defraud the Commonwealth of Kentucky, the federal government, and their own department have pleaded guilty in federal court today.

“This is a sad day but there is no gray here. These officers lied and stole to increase their paychecks and spike their pensions,” said U.S. Attorney Russell Coleman. “These officers are exceptions; outliers from the fine public servants of LMPD who we trust to protect our families. My personal thanks to Commonwealth’s Attorney Tom Wine and his office for their partnership in investigating and prosecuting this matter. We are also fortunate to have the focus, talent, and professionalism of the multi-agency Kentucky Public Corruption Civil Rights Task Force, without which we would not be here today.”

“Our office takes seriously any abuse of public trust. Early in this investigation, we began consulting with LMPD detectives and the United States Attorney’s Office to determine the most appropriate venue for both the ongoing investigation and anticipated prosecution,” said Commonwealth’s Attorney Tom Wine. “The partnership between our office and the United States Attorney’s Office allowed us to approach these cases strategically and guarantee appropriate punishment. It was and is the shared goal of all parties to ensure that those public officials who fail to operate with the utmost integrity be held fully accountable.”

Defendants Brian Stanfield, Todd Roadhouse, and Mark Final, took part in a scheme beginning in or about 2014 and continuing to in or about August 2017, to defraud LMPD, Kentucky, and the federal government for monetary gains by submitting overtime requests for time they did not actually work on behalf of LMPD and failing to work during their assigned shifts, as well as submitting overtime requests claiming to have worked hours for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) on Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) matters. All three defendants waived Indictment by the grand jury and pleaded to a felony Information before the Court.

According to the plea agreements, to bolster and support their requests for overtime the defendants acted in concert to prepare and/or approve false and fraudulent uniform citation arrest reports in which he or one of his co-defendants altered the time of the arrest and added the co-defendants' names on the signature line of the citation to make it appear that two or more of them were present and involved in the citation arrest, when, in fact, this was not true. By altering the citations in these ways, the defendants were able to create documentary support for their false claims for overtime pay for hours they did not actually work.

It was further part of the scheme that the defendants submitted overtime requests claiming to have worked hours for both the DEA and the ATF on OCDETF matters when they, in fact, did not work those hours. Based upon their representations, LMPD paid them for those hours and included those hours on a reimbursement request submitted to the DEA and the ATF. Stanfield submitted falsified overtime hours to both DEA and ATF, while Roadhouse and Final falsified hours to claim time worked and paid out of ATF OCDETF funds. Ultimately, the defendants were paid through LMPD for these claimed, but not worked, hours, and the DEA and the ATF reimbursed LMPD pursuant to their respective OCDETF Agreements.

The defendants engaged in this fraud and misrepresentation in order to steal funds from the Louisville Metro Police Department and the federal government by way of an inflated paycheck as well as to increase their salary over time in order to inflate the benefits they would receive from the Kentucky Retirement Systems upon retirement.

The defendants have agreed to pay nearly \$170,000 in total restitution. According to the plea agreement, Stanfield agrees to pay restitution in the amount of \$101,559; Roadhouse agrees to pay \$41,390 in restitution and Final agrees to pay \$27,531 in restitution.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Stephanie Zimdahl and Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Kaleb Noblett of the Jefferson County Commonwealth's Attorney's Office and was investigated by the Kentucky Public Corruption Civil Rights Task Force which consists of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), LMPD, the Kentucky office of the Attorney General, and the Kentucky State Police.

Louisville Man Who Shot At LMPD Officer Sentenced To Nearly 10 Years In Prison

Friday, November 1, 2019

LOUISVILLE, KY – United States District Judge David J. Hale has sentenced Elijah Eubanks to 119 months in federal prison to run concurrent with Jefferson County Circuit Court Case No 18-CR-1201, and three years of supervised release for being a felon in possession of a firearm, announced United States Attorney Russell Coleman.

“The United States Attorney’s Office stands with our partners in the Jefferson County Commonwealth’s Attorney’s Office in protecting law enforcement in this city,” said U.S. Attorney Russell Coleman. “Shoot a peace officer, shoot at a peace officer, and we will seek to send you to prison for as long as the law allows.”

Eubanks, age 21, was charged by a Louisville federal Grand Jury on July 24, 2018, in a single count Indictment of being a felon in possession of a Ruger .357 caliber revolver. Eubanks pleaded guilty to the Indictment on September 16, 2019, in U.S. District Court.

The federal charge stemmed from a shooting involving a Louisville Metropolitan Police Officer on March 31, 2018. Eubanks fired at an officer who attempted to question him while he was in a vehicle with another person. Jefferson County Commonwealth’s Attorney Tom Wine’s Office previously convicted Eubanks of attempted murder for this incident.

At the time of the March 31st shooting, Eubanks had previously pleaded guilty to one count of Wanton Endangerment I and one count of Criminal Mischief I in Jefferson Circuit Court on November 2016, as part of a pre-trial diversion agreement. He was prohibited from possessing a firearm because of his guilty plea.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Amanda Gregory and it was investigated by the Louisville Metro Police Department (LMPD), and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF). The state case was prosecuted by Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney Elizabeth Jones Brown, who secured a sentence of 15 years in state prison on August 22, 2018.

Former Mammoth Cave Employee Sentenced To Prison For Theft

Thursday, October 17, 2019

PADUCAH, KY – United States Chief Judge Greg Stivers has sentenced Leslie Lewis to 2 years imprisonment, 3 years of supervised release following the sentence, and ordered him to pay restitution of \$169,322 for theft of public money.

“Instead of serving as a steward to protect Mammoth Cave National Park, Ms. Lewis stole from one of the most iconic public spaces in our Commonwealth,” said U.S. Attorney Russell Coleman. “As a consequence, the defendant will soon find herself in radically different surroundings, federal prison.”

Lewis, age 61 of Cave City, a former 30-year employee of Mammoth Cave National Park was charged by a Grand Jury on January 9, 2019, with one count of Theft of Public Money. Lewis pled guilty to the charge, admitting that she has stolen more than \$1,000 from the Park.

According to a victim impact statement from Mammoth Cave National Park, Lewis, who was employed to supervise, track, reconcile, and safeguard recreational fees to the park instead repeatedly used her position to steal publicly collected funds from the park by manipulating the fee collection system and the employees she supervised. During a five-year period examined by investigators, it was determined Lewis stole nearly \$170,000. Lewis confessed to using several means to steal from the Park, including: cutting and pasting to create false deposit documents, filling out false deposit reports, and utilizing a duplicate check scheme, allowing her to take cash for a check amount that didn't exist.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Madison Sewell and investigated by the Office of the Inspector General and the National Park Service.

High-Ranking FBI Official Hired By City of Louisville

Friday, November 8, 2019

Jeffersonville, Ind. native and the former special agent in charge of the FBI's Louisville field office, Amy Hess, has been named Metro Louisville's Chief of Public Services.

By Christopher Fryer of Business First



A high-ranking FBI official with Louisville-area ties will oversee several departments as the city's newest executive.

Mayor [Greg Fischer](#) on Friday in a news release announced [Amy Hess](#) as Metro Louisville's new Chief of Public Services. The Jeffersonville, Ind., native will be in charge of such critical departments as Public Works, Emergency Services, Corrections, Fleet and Facilities and Animal Services.

Hess, the FBI's top-ranking woman, according to the release, will assume her new role Feb. 1 and will be paid an annual salary of \$130,000. She'll replace Louisville Metro Animal Services Director [Ozzy Gibson](#), who has been serving as interim chief of Public Services, the release stated.

Gibson will continue as LMAS director, assist with Hess' transition into her new position and take an additional role in the mayor's office as senior adviser on special projects.

"With her vast management experience, and her deep knowledge and experience with our region and complex systems, Amy is an incredible addition to our team," Fischer said in the release. "I welcome Amy home, and look forward to her helping Louisville continue on its path as a global, breakout city."

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Hess serves as executive assistant director of the FBI's Criminal, Cyber, Response, and Services Branch, the release stated. Prior to that, she was the special agent in charge of the Louisville field office, with responsibility for all FBI personnel and operations throughout Kentucky. In that role, she led the FBI's participation in strategies to reduce violent crime and combat the opioid epidemic.

In the release, Hess thanked Fischer for the opportunity to return to the community she has served and loves, adding, "I know from my previous role here that the men and women of Louisville Metro Government are hard-working, talented and committed to public service. I look forward to contributing to this great team."

Last month, LMAS moved into its new \$11.6 million shelter at 3516 Newburg Road. You can see photos of that facility in the gallery below.

"I am deeply grateful to Ozzy for stepping up in this interim period and serving as a strong leader for the Public Services Cabinet," Fischer said in the release. "We will continue to utilize his vast talents, knowledge and love for our city by having him not only continue to serve as director of Animal Services, but also in this new role as senior adviser on Special Projects, or, as I like to call it, senior troubleshooter."

Bath County Woman Sentenced To 12 Months For Social Security Fraud

Thursday, November 7, 2019

LEXINGTON, KY – A Bath County woman, Della Mae Barnett, 62, was sentenced in federal court Thursday, to 12 months in prison, for committing Social Security fraud.

Barnett pleaded guilty in July 2019, before United States District Judge Karen K. Caldwell. In Barnett's plea agreement, she admitted that, from September 2006 to February 2016, she knowingly and willfully made false representations to the SSA, indicating that her husband did not live in the same household with her, to avoid his income making her ineligible to receive Supplemental Security Income benefits. Her husband was, in fact, a household member, and his income would have impacted her entitlement to SSI benefits.

Barnett fraudulently received \$77,003.00 from the SSA. Barnett also admitted that her associated coverage, under the Kentucky Medicaid Program, was likewise fraudulent. The total amount of inappropriate benefits expended by Kentucky Medicaid was \$157,684.78. As part of her sentence, the Court ordered Barnett to repay these amounts in restitution, totaling \$234,687.78.

Under federal law, Barnett must serve, at a minimum, 85 percent of her prison sentence. She will then be under the supervision of the United States Probation Office for three years, after being released.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, and Wayne R. Warren, Resident Agent-in-Charge, SSA Office of the Inspector General, Nashville Office, jointly announced the sentence.

The investigation was directed by the SSA-OIG. The United States was represented by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney James T. Chapman.

Boyd County Man Indicted For Robbing Bluegrass Community Federal Credit Union In Ashland

Thursday, October 17, 2019

LEXINGTON, KY – A Boyd County man was indicted Thursday on a charge of robbing the Bluegrass Community Federal Credit Union (BCFCU), located in Ashland, Kentucky.

Danny P. Chaffin, 37, of Boyd County, was charged with taking over \$12,000 from BCFCU, a federally insured financial institution, on April 5, 2019. On Thursday, a grand jury in Lexington returned the single-count indictment charging Chaffin with violating 18 U.S.C. § 2113(a), the federal bank robbery statute.

Robert M. Duncan, Jr., United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky; James Robert Brown, Jr., Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation; and Todd Kelley, Chief of the Ashland Police Department, jointly announced the indictment. The investigation preceding the indictment was conducted by the Ashland Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

A date for Chaffin to appear in federal court has not yet been scheduled. He faces up to 20 years in prison and a fine of \$250,000. However, any sentence following a conviction would be imposed by the Court, after its consideration of the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and the federal sentencing statutes.

Undone Stuffed Pepper Casserole

Mindy's Kitchen Korner



Undone Stuffed Pepper Casserole



Prep time: 15 minutes

Total time: 40 min

Servings: 7 servings



Layer the ingredients of this Undone Stuffed Pepper Casserole to save time and deliver big flavor!

Ingredients

- 1 pound lean ground beef
- 2 green peppers, coarsely chopped
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 cups cooked long-grain white rice
- 1 jar (24 oz.) CLASSICO Tomato and Basil Pasta Sauce
- 1 1/2 cups KRAFT Shredded Italian Five Cheese with a TOUCH OF PHILADELPHIA, divided

Directions

Heat oven to 350°F.

Brown meat with peppers and garlic in large skillet; drain. Return meat mixture to skillet; stir in rice, pasta sauce, and 3/4 cup cheese.

Spoon into 2-quart casserole sprayed with cooking spray; top with remaining cheese.

Bake 25 minutes or until heated through.

Inspirational Quotes:

"Believe in yourself! If cauliflower can become pizza, you can do anything."

– Author Unknown

"Youth is when you're allowed to stay up late on New Year's Eve. Middle age is when you're forced to."

– Bill Vaughan

"Always remember: The greatest gift you can ever receive is not found in the shops or under your Christmas tree. It is found in the hearts of your loving family and true friends."

– Author Unknown



There are 22 stars in the Paramount studios logo.

The film "Mary Poppins" was filmed entirely indoors.
The WD in WD-40 stands for Water Displacer.

Sponges hold more cold water than hot.

The Atlantic Ocean is saltier than the Pacific Ocean.

An ostrich can outrun a horse.

Spiders have transparent blood.

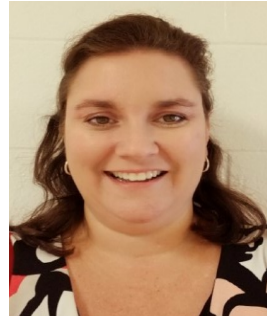
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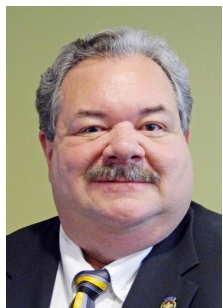
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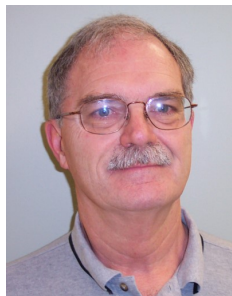
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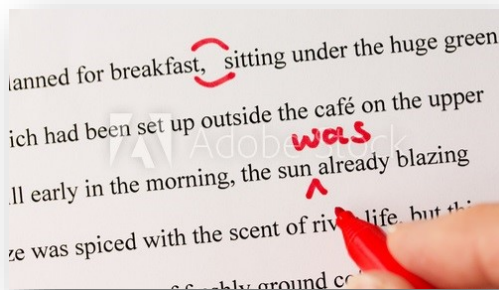
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