

The following individuals appeared Wednesday before Judge Charles Steele in Van Wert County Common Pleas Court:

Craig Mason, 21, Delphos, was ordered to spend 180 days in the Van Wert County Jail and pay a fine of \$1,000 after he admitted that he had violated the terms of his probation.

Mason had originally entered a plea of guilty in June 2010 to a charge of theft, a misdemeanor of the first degree, and was sentenced to one year of community control. A 180-day jail sentence and a \$1,000 fine had been deferred at that time, pending the successful completion of the community control program.

Mason told Judge Steele that he took full responsibility for his actions and understood what did was wrong. Mason went on to say that during the time he was on probation, he found there was nothing for him in Van Wert County or the Delphos area and would like to leave the area. Judge Steele gave Mason credit for 13 days which he had served on the original charge.

Kasey L. Schlisler, 22, Van Wert, was sentenced to prison for a period of six months on a charge of possession of drugs, a felony of the fifth degree.

Schlisler was arrested as the result a traffic stop in October 2010 by the Van Wert City Police Department, at which time he was found to have heroin within his body.

Schlisler's attorney told Judge Steele Schlisler has a very apparent drug addiction problem and needed rehabilitation of some sort. Schisler had already been through the WORTH Center program on other criminal charges.

Judge Steele told Schlisler that he didn't have many options left since the previous attempts by the court at rehabilitation didn't seem to work. Steele told Schlisler he would recommend the intensive prison program which was a program similar to the WORTH Center.

Schlisler was given credit for 26 days towards his prison term for time served while awaiting final disposition of the charge.

Mirand Caldwell, 23, Van Wert, entered a plea of guilty to a Bill of Information to a charge of criminal trespassing, a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.

A Van Wert City Police Department investigation alleged Caldwell entered an apartment rented by a former boyfriend in November.

Judge Steele ordered a pre-sentence investigation and scheduled sentencing for 9 a.m. Feb. 9.

Jared Alan Smith, 22, Van Wert, entered a guilty plea to a charge of possession of drugs (heroin), a felony of the fifth degree.

Smith petitioned the court with a motion for treatment in lieu of conviction which was granted. The successful completion of the program would result in no criminal charge; failure to successfully complete the program could result in a jail or prison term.

Smith will be under the supervision of the Van Wert County Probation Department for a period not to exceed one year.