Eight individuals indicted by the Van Wert County Grand Jury were arraigned on Wednesday morning in Common Pleas Court before Judge Charles D. Steele.
James D. Ramirez, 26, Van Wert, entered a not guilty plea to an indictment charging him with burglary, a felony of the fourth degree.
Ramirez was released on a $5,000 unsecured personal surety bond with a pretrial hearing scheduled for Aug. 17.
Robert Platt, 34, Van Wert, entered a not guilty plea to a indictment charging him with two counts of possession of drugs, both counts felonies of the fifth degree.
Platt was released on a $5,000 unsecured personal surety bond with a pretrial hearing scheduled for Aug. 17.
Jacob R. Strick, 25, Van Wert, entered a not guilty plea to a indictment charging him with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, a misdemeanor of the first degree.
Strick was released on a $5,000 unsecured personal surety bond with a pretrial hearing scheduled for Aug. 17.
Donald E. Robar, 18, Van Wert, entered a not guilty plea to an indictment charging him with theft from and elderly person, a felony of the fourth degree.
Robar was released on a $5,000 unsecured personal surety bond with a pretrial hearing scheduled for Aug. 17.
Brandon Hershey, 23, Van Wert, entered a not guilty plea to an indictment charging him with unlawful sexual conduct with a minor, a felony of the fourth degree.
Hershey was ordered held without bond as he presently is in jail awaiting sentencing on a drug related charge. A pretrial hearing has been scheduled for Aug. 17. 2011.
James Leiendecker, 22, Venedocia, entered a plea of not guilty to an indictment charging him with receiving stolen property, a felony of the fourth degree.
Leiendecker was released on a $5,000 unsecured personal surety bond with a pretrial hearing scheduled for Aug. 17.
Ronny L. Black, 52, Delphos, entered a not guilty plea to an indictment charging him with domestic violence, a felony of the fourth degree.
Black was released on a $5,000 unsecured personal surety bond with a condition that he have no contact with the alleged victim.
A pre-trial hearing has been scheduled for Aug. 17.
Gabriel G. Spradlin, 26, Rockford, entered a not guilty plea to a charge of failing to comply with a police officer (eluding and fleeing), a felony of the third degree.
Spradlin was released on a $5,000 unsecured personal surety bond with a pretrial hearing scheduled for Aug. 17.
Steven G. Ramsey, 25, Butler, Pa., entered a no contest plea to four counts of forgery, all felonies of the fifth degree.
Ramsey allegedly passed counterfeit twenty dollar bills at an event that was taking place at the Van Wert County Fairgrounds on July 2.
Ramsey was apprehended while still on the fairground by the Van Wert City Police Department who were called to investigate the incident.
Michael A. Coombs, 27, Van Wert, was sent to prison on a charge of illegal use of supplemental nutritional benefits (food stamps), a felony of the fourth degree.
A Van Wert City Police Department investigation revealed Coombs had used another persons

food stamp card while the other individual was in jail.
Judge Steele noted for the record that Coombs had a very extensive criminal record dating back 1996. Steele ordered that Coombs make restitution to Jobs and Family Services Department in the amount of $1,500.
Tonya Moore, 32, Columbus, entered a guilty plea to three counts of forgery and one count of identity fraud. The forgery charges are felonies of the fifth degree and the identity fraud is a felony of the fourth degree.
Moore was arrested for the incidents which took place in late November 2010 and she is presently in the Marysville prison on similar charges that took place in Auglaize County.
Judge Steele ordered a pre-sentence investigation and scheduled sentencing for Aug. 24.
Alisha L. Elder, 32, Van Wert entered a guilty plea to an indictment charging her with theft from an elderly person, a felony of the fifth degree.
The alleged incident took place sometime between Nov. 13, 2010, and Dec. 2, 2010.
The Van Wert County Prosecutor's Office asked that Elder make restitution in the amount of $791.35.
Judge Steele ordered a pre-sentence investigation and scheduled sentencing for Sept. 21.
Dennis R. McGinnis, 28, Lima, entered a plea of guilty to theft, a felony of the fifth degree.
According to a Van Wert City Police Department investigation, McGinnis allegedly stole computers from the Van Wert Super Walmart on two separate occasions which had a value of $1,792.
McGinnis is facing charges in Putman County and Mercer County for similar thefts at the Walmart Stores.
Judge Steele ordered a pre-sentence investigation and set sentencing for Sept. 7.
Andrew Thomas, Van Wert, was sentenced to serve a prison sentence for violating his community control by not reporting as required, testing positive for the use of drugs and not paying his court costs.
Thomas was on community control on two separate case and had previously served time in prison and at the WORTH Center.
Judge Steele ordered that Thomas serve a twelve month sentence which was to be served consecutive to a two-year prison sentence from another indictment that were to be served concurrently.
Thomas was given credit for 651 days for time he had served in jail awaiting final disposition of his cases.