

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

Jacob Strick, 25, Ohio City, and Justin Tansy, 26, Brownsburg, Ind., will spend 10 days in jail on charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, a misdemeanor of the first degree.

Strick and Tansy had been on a party bus which stopped at the Ramblers Roost, all but Strick and Tansy went in to have breakfast. The group and the driver from Advantage Limo Service in Delphos came back after having breakfast to find the bus missing. The bus was reported missing at 5 a.m. on July 17 only to be recovered a short time later in Ohio City. Judge Sumner E. Walters sitting by assignment sentenced the two to spend 10 days in the Van Wert County Jail and ordered that both have a substance abuse assessment completed. The two will remain on community control under the supervision of the Van Wert County Adult Probation Department for a period of one year and must pay court costs associated with their case.

Tonya L. Moore, 32, Columbus, was sentenced to four 12-month prison sentences on three counts of forgery and one count of identity fraud. The sentences shall be served concurrently with one another and concurrently with a prison sentence that she is presently serving out of Auglaize County.

Moore along with others from the Columbus area had come to Van Wert in November 2010, at which time they were printing checks that indicated they were from a local business. The checks were then cashed or attempted to be cashed at other businesses in Van Wert.

The group was also responsible for similar crimes in Auglaize County.

Moore was ordered to make restitution for the amount of \$1,562.37 and pay court costs associated with her case.

Tyler D. Bochard, 20, Van Wert, entered a plea to a charge of forgery, a fifth degree felony; and had filed a motion for treatment in lieu of conviction which was granted by Judge Steele.

Bochard will be under the supervision of the Van Wert County Adult Probation Department for a period of one year while he is in the treatment program.

Failure to successfully complete the treatment program could result in a prison term.

James L. Leiendecker, 22, Venedocia, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of receiving stolen property, a felony of the fourth degree.

Leiendecker allegedly stole a motorcycle belonging to a Van Wert resident in May.

Judge Steele ordered a pre-sentence investigation and scheduled sentencing for 9 a.m. Oct. 5.

William Shinnaberry, 20, Van Wert, entered a guilty plea to a charge of having unlawful sexual conduct with a minor, a felony of the fourth degree.

According to a Van Wert City Police Department investigation, Shinnaberry engaged in sexual conduct with a female over the age of 13 and under the age of 16 in April.

Shinnaberry will be classified as a tier two sex offender and will be required to register with the Sheriff every 180 days for the next 25 years.

Judge Steele ordered a pre-sentence investigation and scheduled sentencing for 9 a.m. Oct. 5.

Robert D. Yuill, 40, Columbus, entered a not guilty plea to a multiple count indictment charging him with two counts of forgery and two counts of identity fraud.

Yuill is presently being held in prison for similar crimes.

Judge Steele set a pretrial hearing for 8 a.m. Wednesday.

Kevin L. Clay, 26, Van Wert, was arraigned and entered a not guilty plea to a charge of possession of drugs, a felony of the fifth degree.

The assistant prosecuting attorney addressed the court telling the judge had it not been for a few good friends Clay might not be alive today. He requested that as part of bond conditions Clay be tested for the use of drugs frequently while he was on bond.

Judge Steele released Clay on a \$5,000 unsecured personal surety bond with the condition that he be tested frequently by the Adult Probation Department.

A pretrial hearing has been scheduled for 8 a.m. Wednesday.