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Drug Trafficking

in Church Parking Lot Leads to Four Arrests



▲ PHOTO | HART COUNTY JAIL WEBSITE Austin Walters, Cheyenne Bryant, Robert Jackson, and William Jewell were arrested and lodged in the Hart County Jail.

By Mary Beth Sallee

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Suspicious activity in a church parking lot has led to four individuals being arrested on drug trafficking charges.

According to reports, on June 15 at approximately 1:15 a.m., deputies with the Hart County Sheriff's Office noticed suspicious activity occurring at a church parking lot located along Cub Run Highway.

A male passenger in

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Caverna hiring new basketball coach with past criminal charges

Man Shot, Woman Hospitalized After Alleged Road Rage Incident



▲ PHOTO | TONY WELLS VIDEO

In this screenshot of a video posted on Facebook by Tony Wells, a biker can be seen hanging onto the driver side window of a Dodge Ram that allegedly cut through the motorcycle route during a charity poker run and seriously injured a woman as the driver of the truck sped away from the incident.

By **Mary Beth Sallee** Managing Editor marybeth@jpinews.com

A man was shot and a woman was hospitalized after an

incident occurred during a charity poker run last Saturday.

On June 14, the 12th Annual Run for the Light Poker Run was held to shine a light on suicide awareness and also serve as a fundraiser for the American Foundation for

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County Approves Contract with Animal Haven

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The Caverna High School principal has confirmed the hiring is in process for Richard Gatewood as the next head basketball coach. Beauchamp has declined to comment on former felony charges against him.

By **Allyson Dix** Jobe Publishing, Inc.

While no official announcements appear to have been made, a social media post, not originating from the school, brought to light the hiring of a new head basketball coach for the Caverna High School boys' team.

Following the arrest and subsequent resignation of Caverna's former coach Terrence Miles, Mr. Frank Beauchamp, principal of Caverna

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▲ PHOTO | GARY GARDNER

Linda King and Sherry Henin with the Daughters of the American Revolution presented the Fiscal Court with a certificate of appreciation for the correct display of the American Flag on the courthouse lawn.

By **Gary Gardner** Guest Contributor

The Hart County Fiscal Court met Tuesday, June 10 in the courtroom. After Judge/ Executive Joe Choate called the meeting to order, Bro. Ben Benningfield opened the meeting with prayer. Ladies with the Daughters of the American Revolution presented the court with a certificate of appreciation for the proper display of the United States Flag on the courthouse lawn. Judge Choate recognized Jacob Twyman, Maintenance Supervisor for the county.

All departments gave reports, including Jailer Israel Bergenson, who informed the court there were a total 131 in the county jail. Sheriff Jeff Wilson informed the court that the dog in the K-9 unit had been retired, and the sheriff's department was in the process of obtaining a new dog for the department.

In other business, the court

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