

Columbus Dispatch: May who gave toddler pot gets 10 years; 19 year-old also admitted role in drug trafficking

BY: JOHN FUTTY

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A 19-year-old Licking County man who videotaped himself forcing a toddler to smoke marijuana was sentenced yesterday to 10 years in federal prison for drug and weapons convictions. Melvin Blevins of Pataskala must serve five years' probation after completing the sentence, imposed by U.S. District Judge Michael Watson in Columbus.

Blevins was part of a marijuana-trafficking ring led by Donald G. Dailey Jr., federal prosecutors said. Blevins helped unload bales of marijuana at Dailey's house in Pataskala on several occasions between Jan. 1 and March 14, 2008, and conducted surveillance for Dailey.

In January 2008, Blevins and Dailey's daughter, Angel Dailey, then 16, videotaped themselves forcing an 18-month-old girl to inhale marijuana smoke from a pipe.

On April 3, 2008, investigators recovered a .22-caliber handgun and 14 dosage units of Ecstasy from Blevins. He pleaded guilty in March to conspiracy to distribute more than 1,000 kilograms of marijuana, possession of a firearm in furtherance of drug trafficking and distribution of marijuana to a person younger than 21.

Angel Dailey was convicted of one felony delinquency count of corrupting another with drugs and a misdemeanor delinquency count of endangering a child.

Agents from the Internal Revenue Service and the Drug Enforcement Administration raided Donald Dailey's Watkins Road home and the Kirkersville home of his brother, Timothy R. Dailey, in March 2008. They recovered \$4.2 million, 83 firearms and more than a ton of marijuana.

The Dailey brothers and Blevins were among 15 people indicted for their roles in the ring, which prosecutors said transported marijuana from Arizona to Ohio in recreational vehicles for local distribution.

Timothy Dailey pleaded guilty to trafficking and possession of marijuana and was sentenced to 90 months in prison.

Donald Dailey pleaded guilty in March to charges of conspiracy to distribute more than 1,000 kilograms of marijuana, illegal possession of firearms and operating a continuing criminal enterprise. He is scheduled to be sentenced Oct. 27.

Dayton Daily News: Couple arrested for buying drugs with kids in the car

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HARRISON TWP., Montgomery County — A Xenia couple was arrested and charged with child endangering after buying heroin with two small children in the car, according to Capt. Jeff Papanek of the Montgomery County Sheriff's office.

Papanek said Children Services social workers were called after the arrest, and the social workers placed the children — a 2-year-old boy and 8-month-old girl — in the temporary custody of their grandfather.

Papanek said a deputy observed a hand-to-hand drug purchase at about 7 p.m. Monday on Northwood Avenue near Redder Avenue in Harrison Twp. The couple making the purchase and the dealer attempted to leave the area in separate cars.

Papanek said the deputy who saw the purchase called for assistance, and officers were able to stop both cars within a short time. He said heroin and marijuana were found in the dealer's car, and the two children were found in the couple's car.

The couple, Timothy Ford, 30, and Tracy S. Ford, 27, were arrested on charges of drug possession, tampering with evidence and child endangering. The Fords remained in the Montgomery County jail Tuesday afternoon.

The man in the other car, Kenneth Lavon Wynn, 22, was held on charges of drug possession, drug trafficking and driving under suspension.

Cincinnati Enquirer: Mom charged with child endangering

By Jennifer Baker

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SYCAMORE TWP. - The mother of two small children was arrested and charged Wednesday after they were found living in filthy conditions.

Kayana K. White, 31, is held at the Hamilton County jail on two counts of child endangering.

Deputies with the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office and county children's services workers found her youngsters, ages 5 and 7, living in poor conditions in a residence in the 8300 block of Monroe Avenue in Sycamore Township, court records show.

It is not clear yet today if the children were placed with another relative, or if they are staying in a temporary foster home.

Cleveland Plain Dealer: Cleveland couple sent to prison for severely injuring their infant

By: Donna J. Miller

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A Cleveland couple was sentenced to prison today for severely injuring their 4-month-old son.

Jalal Reed, 28, was sentenced to 17 years by Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Judge Brendan Sheehan for felonious assault and endangering children. Sheehan sentenced Danielle Worthy, 26, to the maximum 10 years in prison on two counts of endangering children.

They pleaded guilty to the crimes Sept. 3. Reed faced up to 21 years behind bars.

Worthy called 9-1-1 April 27, after her son lost consciousness three times. MetroHealth Medical Center doctors said the infant had bleeding in his brain and eyes, a fractured collar bone, a broken arm, two broken ribs, a lacerated liver, bruised lungs and bruises over his body.

He was placed on life-support and is recovering.