

KM POLICE REPORT

ARRESTS

July 8, 2008: Joshua Ayers, 19, 220 Landry Dr., warrant for misdemeanor larceny, \$1,000 bond, unsecured.

July 8, 2008: Jose Jordan, 37, 117 Bridges St., order for arrest, no child support, \$750 bond.

July 8, 2008: Windy Hawkins, 37, of Gastonia, possession with intent to sell schedule II narcotics, sell/deliver of schedule II controlled substance, felonies, \$5,000 bond, secured.

July 9, 2008: Stanley Gardner, 50, 328 Ebenezer Rd., second degree trespassing, assault on a female, \$1,000 bond, secured.

July 9, 2008: John Tedder, 45, 122 Wells St., DWI, \$500 bond, unsecured.

July 9, 2008: Donald Thompson Jr., 48, 409 Wilson St., communicating threats, no bond.

July 10, 2008: Jose Ramos Jr., 36, disorderly conduct, \$300 bond, secured.

July 10, 2008: Jeremy Huffman, 18, 206-A Cansler St., assault on a female, communicating threats, no bond.

July 11, 2008: Debra Emery, 52, 102 E. King St., intoxicated and disruptive, \$300 bond, secured.

July 11, 2008: Darius Ross, 36, 102-D E. King St., child support, \$2,500 bond, secured.

July 12, 2008: Linwood Adams Jr., 51, 205 Duke St., possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, \$200 bond, secured.

July 12, 2008: Paul Mattison, 40, of Charlotte, assault on a female, no bond.

July 12, 2008: Jason Green, 29, 101 Center St., order for arrest, failure to appear, \$3,000 bond, secured.

July 13, 2008: Paul Detter, 46, 117 Fulton St., assault on a female, no bond.

July 13, 2008: Timothy Parker, 33, of Gastonia, communicating threats, driving while license revoked, following too closely, no bond.

INCIDENTS

July 8, 2008: A resident of Walker Street reported damage to his vehicle after he claimed someone backed into his car.

July 9, 2008: A resident of Mountain Crest Drive reported that someone had stolen her dog.

July 9, 2008: A resident of Gastonia reported that someone had damaged his car while he was on E. King St., by tampering with the side-view mirror and scratching the door. Damages were estimated at \$400.

July 11, 2008: A resident of Spruce Street reported larceny of medication.

July 11, 2008: A resident of Wilson Street reported that someone had taken the door of his house off of its hinges. Damages were estimated at \$125.

July 11, 2008: A resident of Green Tree Apartments reported assault on a female.

July 11, 2008: A resident of Gastonia reported that someone had damaged his vehicle by ripping open the driver-side door with a brush. Damages were estimated at \$4,500.

July 12, 2008: A resident of Fulton Street reported assault on a female.

July 14, 2008: E.H. Precision, 613 Slater Street reported larceny of cold steel valued at \$1,000.

WRECKS

A Kings Mountain Police patrolman reported that Melanie Weaver, traveling west on Jackson Street, swerved to miss a dog crossing the road, but swerved too far to the left and struck another unoccupied vehicle parked along the roadside. Damages totaled \$7,600.

Ptl. Michael Howard reported that vehicles operated by Jennifer Martin of Kings Mountain and Johnny Short of Gastonia collided on Cansler Street as Martin made a left-hand turn across northbound lanes. Damages totaled \$3,000.

Cpl. K. L. Putnam reported that a vehicle operated by Shelby Murphy of Georgia ran off of the roadway coming out of Greentree Apartments, turned right onto Charles Street, ran off of the roadway again, overcorrected and went off on the left side of the road, striking a fire hydrant and a tree before coming to rest at the tree. Murphy and two passengers were transported to Kings Mountain Hospital for treatment. Total damages were estimated at \$5,000.

Cpl. Mark Butler reported that vehicles operated by Brian Floyd of Raleigh and Donna Martin of Kings Mountain collided at the intersection of King and Cansler streets. Floyd was traveling as part of a funeral procession and stated that he was separated from the other cars. Martin claimed the light was green for her to cross King Street, when they hit. Total damages to both vehicles were estimated at \$5,500.

Ofc. D.K. Davis reported that a vehicle driven by Tonya Helms the roadway on N. Cansler Street, slid sideways and knocked down a pole containing four cameras, damaged the landscape and a mulberry tree. Davis reported that Helms left the scene but was located by Sgt. Ware. Total damages were estimated at \$2,500.

Ptl. G.L. McKinney reported that a vehicle operated by Jordan Stamp was waiting on a train to cross at Linwood Road when another vehicle struck his rear bumper and fled the scene. Damages were estimated at \$200.

Ptl. M.J. Howard reported that vehicles operated by John Vandyke of Kings Mountain and Jacqueline Scism of Southport hit at the intersection of W. Mountain and S. Cansler streets when Scism admitted that she did not stop for the traffic light, which was red. Total damages to both vehicles were estimated at \$6,500.

CRIME

Five men charged with trafficking opium A case of possible 'doctor shopping?'

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A law concerning "doctor-shopping," Sgt. Lisa Proctor said, might be a factor in the recent case concerning the five arrested at Moss Drugs on July 9 for "trafficking opium."

Grover native, Kirk Thomas, allegedly took a prescription for Oxycodone - used medically as a pain killer for illnesses like cancer or trauma - from a KM doctor to Moss Drugs in Gastonia.

"People can get medication and sell it. They may go to one doctor (for a prescription) and have been to another earlier. The other wouldn't know," Sgt. Proctor stated.

The Schedule II drug, Oxycodone, is known on the streets as "Oxy-cotton." It has a "high potential for abuse and dependency" according to information released by the Gastonia P.D. According to Proctor, one pill can be sold for \$3-10. The prescription dropped off seemed suspicious to Moss pharmacists. The suspect

allegedly changed the dosage units of 12 milligrams to 120 on the prescription.

Moss Pharmacist Shane Barnes said, "(Thomas's) just had a look about it. It was the ink."

There isn't a current numerical limit of the drug medically that Barnes said he is aware of. Some health insurance companies may set an amount. But normally, Barnes says, you don't see more than 120.

Gastonia PD reported that Thomas was working with other suspects who came into Moss Drugs to pick up the prescription. Gary Smart, 37, of Kings Mountain, allegedly gave the money to pay for the medication and sent his 17-year-old son, into the store with others to pick it up.

Charges ranging from trafficking opium to conspiring to violate the NC Controlled Substance Act were filed against Gary Smart, Christopher Smart, 17, Robert Price, 39, and Paul Carpenter, 45, all of Kings Mountain, and Kirk Thomas.

KM WEATHER REPORT

By Kenneth Kitzmiller

	July 8-14	Year Ago
Total precipitation	1.94	0.15
Maximum 1 day	1.51 (9th)	0.08 (9th)
Month to date	2.38	0.17
Year to date	21.75	20.07
Low temperature	69 (8th, 9th)	63 (13th)
High temperature	92 (9th)	92 (10th, 12th)
Avg. temperature	78.9	79

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