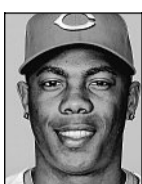


## LOCAL BRIEFS

### Chapman pays \$239 for speeding

GROVE CITY — Cincinnati Reds closer Aroldis Chapman has been fined \$150 plus court costs for an Ohio speeding ticket.



A Grove City court clerk says a second charge of driving under suspension was dismissed. Chapman's license had been reinstated sometime after his May 21 arrest.

Police in the Columbus suburb had reported clocking Chapman at 93 mph on Interstate 71. They found that his Kentucky driver's license was suspended.

His attorney, Michael King, entered Chapman's guilty plea Wednesday to going 83 mph in a 65 mph zone, with the suspension charge dismissed. King says the \$150 fine and \$89 in costs have been paid.

Chapman did not appear in court Wednesday.

Chapman made the National League All-Star team. He has converted 14 of 18 save opportunities, closing Tuesday night's victory with a strikeout on a 101 mph fastball.

### 2 shot, 1 killed in Over-the-Rhine

OVER-THE-RHINE — One of two men shot around noon Wednesday in the 1600 block of Walnut Street has died.

Theodore Palmer, 30, died at University Hospital as a result of gunshot wounds, Cincinnati Police said.

The other shooting victim, who was not identified, sustained non-life-threatening injuries, police said.

Cincinnati Police homicide detectives continue to investigate.

The men, who knew each other, were rushed to University Hospital following the shooting, which took place in an apartment. The first 911 call came in at 12:28 p.m., police said, and reported a man bleeding from an apparent gunshot wound on the steps of a nearby church, later identified as Christ Image Church. Calls to the church were not returned.

The other victim was found inside the apartment on Walnut Street, according to police.

### Ex sought in woman's shooting

KENNEDY HEIGHTS — A suspect accused of shooting his ex-girlfriend outside his apartment building Tuesday remains at large, according to Cincinnati police.

Rayshawn Kelley, 26, is wanted on a felonious assault charge in connection with the 1:15 p.m. attack on Bettina Marshall in the 3600 block of Northdale Place in Kennedy Heights, his arrest warrant shows.

The woman recently moved out of Kelley's apartment but returned with a friend Tuesday to retrieve some of her belongings, police said.

She was shot in the leg and abdomen, court records state.

She was taken to University Hospital, where she is expected to recover, police said.

### Inmates can earn driver's license

COLUMBUS — The Ohio prisons agency is entering into a partnership to allow inmates who are fathers to earn a commercial driver's license while behind bars.

The program is open to inmates who qualify for a societal re-entry program and take training through the Ridge Project.

# 2 teens face kidnapping charges

## Boys inspired by movie, police say

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ANDERSON TWP. — Why would a pair of teen boys want to kidnap an 8-year-old boy? A 1993 coming-of-age movie apparently gave them the idea, police said.

The motion picture "Dazed and Confused" depicts high school students hazing younger students by capturing them, spanking them and otherwise humiliating them. And al-

though police don't know exactly what the teens had in mind, investigators learned "they were inspired to grab this kid by the movie 'Dazed and Confused,'" said Steve Barnett, Hamilton County Sheriff's spokesman.

The teens departed from the movie storyline, Barnett said, by picking on a much younger boy rather than the high school freshmen who were hazed in the film.

The teens apparently singled out the 8-year-old because "he happened to be the smallest kid (there)" when the incident happened, Barnett said, but bystanders intervened and came to the

boy's rescue.

Although the boy escaped unharmed, the risk of injury was very real had the kidnapping attempt succeeded, Barnett said. He wondered aloud: What if the boy would have panicked and tried to jump out of a moving vehicle? Or what if things had gotten out of hand once the boys started with the possible hazing?

The two 16-year-olds were being held in the Hamilton County Juvenile Detention Center on felony kidnapping charges.

The incident unfolded about 4:45 p.m. Monday at Ayer Elementary on Forest Road as the boy played

wiffle ball with older friends on the school playground. The teens, who attend Anderson High School, walked by and returned about 10 minutes later in a four-door sedan.

One suspect got out of the car and walked up to the children. He allegedly offered candy to the boys and then later grabbed the 8-year-old by the waist, Barnett said. He picked him up and started carrying him toward the waiting car, Barnett said.

Friends of the victim, including an Anderson High freshman, ran after the suspect and forced him to drop the 8-year-old.

The teen then ran toward the car and, along

with his alleged accomplice, sped away, police said.

The children went home and told their parents what happened. Their parents grew alarmed and called the Sheriff's office.

A witness told authorities he thought one of the teens attended Anderson High, so the suspects were easily identified through school yearbook photos as well as a specific description of the vehicle's peeling brown paint, police said. Police arrested the teens Monday night. They are awaiting court proceedings.

The 8-year-old's father declined to comment.



Roada Preston, children's zoo nursery keeper, feeds a 3-week-old female African cheetah cub now on exhibit in the Cincinnati Zoo's nursery. The cub was born June 22 at the zoo's cheetah-breeding facility in Clermont County, but she had to be moved when her mother, Lucy, could not provide adequate care. PHOTOS BY TONY JONES/THE ENQUIRER

## SPOT THE CAT

Gloria Duun paints a cheetah on an arm of Evie Weaver, 8, of Mount Orab, at the zoo.



# Ex-Ben-Gal, mom take to airwaves

## Claim no proof of crimes exist

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The day former Bengals cheerleader Sarah Jones went on the radio to talk about being charged with having a sexual relationship one of her students at Dixie Heights High School, her attorney filed a motion to have the charges dropped.

Jones' attorney, Eric Deters — who also has a talk show on Real Talk 1160 — asked a judge on Tuesday to dismiss the indictment of first-degree



Cheryl Jones



Sarah Jones

sexual abuse. Jones claims prosecutors offered no proof to a Kenton County grand jury that a crime occurred. She is also charged with unlawful use of electronic means to induce a minor to engage in sexual or other prohibited activities.

"The Commonwealth does not have ... a single witness that there was any sex," Deters wrote in

the motion. "There is not a single sealed text message that would reflect there was sex in any state, much less Kentucky. There is no confession. There is no admission. There is only speculative conjecture."

The prosecuting attorney, Jefferson County Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Sara Farmer, couldn't be reached Tuesday for comment.

Deters also filed a motion to dismiss the indictment against Jones' mother, Cheryl Jones, who is charged with tampering with evidence. Deters wrote that a detective testified before a

grand jury that Cheryl Jones texted someone to "destroy" a mobile phone. Deters said his client didn't use the word "destroy." Sarah Jones, 27, and her mother talked about the cases on Deters' radio show Tuesday. Cheryl Jones, who recently retired as principal of Twenhofel Middle School, said she told the person in a text to "get rid of the phone," but did not use the word "destroy."

On air, Sarah Jones said she now works for Deters at his law office.

The pair are scheduled to stand trial in October.

Reporter Jim Hannah contributed.

# Program provides independence for disabled

## Trained hosts provide care

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FINNEYTOWN — Just because Thomas Wallace and Norman Byers are disabled doesn't mean their living options are restricted to family members or a disability facility.

Wallace and Byers are two of the first participants of the Home Living Arrangements for the Developmentally Disabled, a new Hamilton County program that provides trained host families for individuals with physical or mental disabilities.

The program, which began a trial run July 6, 2011, will officially launch today. To date, 33 people have been placed in 21 certified homes.

Heather Schaefer, manager of HLADD,

meets with families who want to become caregivers and pairs them with a participant. The caregivers are paid for day-to-day living expenses. The amount varies based on the needs of the participant, which can vary greatly.

"It's like a match-maker process," Schaefer said. "You want to get to know the provider as well as the individual so you know what home is going to be the best fit."

With help from their host mother, Dollvella Sweeten, Wallace and Byers enjoy their self-sufficient lives.

"This has been great," Sweeten said. "I can see the changes in both of them."

Byers, who used to live at the Talbert House, hopes to live on his own within 18 months.

"I have the long-term goal of moving out on my own," said Byers, who



Clockwise from top left: Norman Byers, Dollvella Sweeten, Heather Schaefer and Thomas Wallace. Byers and Wallace are participants in Home Living Arrangements for the Developmentally Disabled. SARAH E. BAILEY FOR THE ENQUIRER

works at the Thomas H. Kidd Adult Center.

Wallace, who used to struggle taking public transportation by himself, is now adept at riding Metro. He used to live with his sister in Norwood, who bought him food, clothes and a DVD player.

"Now, I buy these things for myself," said Wallace, who works at Kroger. He is pursuing

the completion of his GED and also hopes to live on his own one day.

Families and individuals who want to become a caregiver must pass a screening process that involves background checks and driving record reviews.

Providers are then trained for duties such as basic personal care, medication assistance and dietary needs. The certifi-

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

**Started:** July 6, 2011; official launch Thursday.

**Homes:** There are 21 certified homes in Hamilton County. Anyone who qualifies for government disability certification can apply for this service but must move to Hamilton County.

**Information:** www.laddinc.org, e-mail info@laddinc.org or call 513-861-5233

cation process takes about 30 days, then another 30-90 days before a participant is placed in the home.

Potential host families must also take a personal profile test, which explores cognitive reasoning skills.

"We just took the idea of adult foster care and asked ourselves how we could make it better," Schaefer said.

# 33 more counts in child abuse cases

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BATAVIA — A Clermont County grand jury has handed up 33 more indictments against a Milford man accused of tying up children in his basement for sexual pleasure.

On Wednesday a grand jury indicted Michael E. Tringelof, 43, on 15 counts of kidnapping, nine counts of abduction and nine counts of endangering children.

The allegations involve seven victims, both boys and girls, who ranged in age from 5 to 10 when the offenses occurred from 1998 to 2002, Clermont County Prosecutor Don White said. Some children were victims more than once, he said.

"They were invited into his home, into the basement," White said.

"Once they were in the basement, he would tie them up in various ways."

Then, he said, Tringelof applied light electric shocks, poked them with sharp objects or tickled them with feather dusters.

At the time of the alleged offenses, Tringelof lived on Linden Drive in Miami Township. All the children lived nearby, White said.

The latest allegations come after Tringelof's June indictment on a 2005 case of kidnapping and child endangering involving a 9-year-old boy.

Tringelof pleaded not guilty.

After that case was publicized, more people came forward and told similar stories to Miami Township police, White said.

Tringelof, a lifelong Clermont County resident and father of two, has no prior criminal record. He is in the Clermont County Jail on a \$2 million bond.