

# JOHNSON COUNTY

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## Call from driver helps police find fleeing man

Daily Journal staff report

A tip from a motorist on Interstate 65 helped police catch a man they say fled after crashing his vehicle into a ditch on the highway.

Police believe Mauricio Ocampo of Greenwood was driving under the influence when the crash happened Tuesday afternoon.

Ocampo was driving southbound on the interstate when his vehicle veered toward the median and he overcorrected.

He went off the side of the highway near the Franklin exit and into a ditch, crashing into trees and shrubs along the side of the highway, Franklin Police Chief John Borges said.

No one, including Ocampo, was injured in the accident, he said.

An officer who came to the accident scene spotted Ocampo running through trees and shrubs off the side of the exit, Borges said. Ocampo jumped a fence

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and ran into Paris Estates, a subdivision located west of the interstate off Upper Shelbyville Road.

Officers from the state police, Franklin police and the county sheriff's office all looked for the driver in a Franklin subdivision. Two hours later, about 3:30 p.m., a motorist spotted Ocampo walking along I-65 and called police.

A second officer tried to approach Ocampo and he ran again. This time, police were able to stop him and arrest him.

Ocampo was being held in the Johnson County jail on a Montgomery County warrant and charges of driving while suspended, leaving the scene of a property-damage accident, two counts of resisting law enforcement and public intoxication.

Bond was set at \$5,000.

GREENWOOD

### Custom homes planned for city's west side

More than 150 new homes costing from \$300,000 to \$500,000 each will be part of an 85-acre development near land the Greenwood Parks Department purchased.

The subdivision is included as part of T&G Bright, a development that includes the subdivision on the northeast corner of Cutsinger and Honey Creek roads. The development butts up to land that could be used for a future water park in Greenwood.

Construction on homes in Brighton Estates is expected to begin in the spring, said Gary Carpenter, director of development for J. Greg Allen & Associates Inc.

Developers originally were unsure what could be built on the land. Possible plans included homes, duplexes and condominiums. The future partially depend-

ed on what park officials planned to put on their land located east of the development, Carpenter said.

Now, developers plan to include 159 custom built homes in Brighton Estates. The subdivision will add more students to Greenwood schools, he said.

Two other developments on the property are also in the works: Brighton Commons, with homes built by Princeton Homes, and Brighton Village, aimed toward empty nesters, Carpenter said.

The development company already owns the land and has gotten approvals from the city. Construction started on the site in the fall, Carpenter said.

CENTER GROVE

### Board OKs funds for visit to other high schools

Some members of a task force studying the best way to expand Center Grove High School will tra-

vel to innovative high schools across the country for ideas.

Members would like to visit high schools on the East Coast, including schools in Boston and New Hampshire, as well as schools in Texas and Oregon, assistant superintendent Janet Boyle said.

The schools were showcased at a conference conducted in Rhode Island last week that was attended by seven committee members, Boyle said.

School board members voted 4-1 Monday to approve \$15,000 in travel funds for members of the expansion task force. Board member Matt Shepherd voted no.

The money would come from the school's Pepsi fund. The trips will help members brainstorm how an expanded high school might be structured, with an emphasis on using teaching tools and techniques to guide the building's design.

Center Grove High School is near capacity with 2,200 students.

An expansion to the high school would not open until three years after the board approves it.

FRANKLIN

### No one injured in Monday fire at home

An electrical spark started a fire that damaged a Franklin family's home Monday afternoon.

A resident of the home at 11 Crescent St. called firefighters when she came home and found smoke inside. Investigators from the department believe the fire started in a bedroom ceiling, said Eddie Dougherty, Franklin Fire Department spokesman.

The fire caused \$10,000 to \$20,000 in damage. No one was injured, and no other homes caught fire, he said.

Dougherty said firefighters arrived at the home, owned by Billy Jenkins, just before 5 p.m. and spent about an hour putting out the blaze.

## Passer-by alerts residents to fire

WISH-Channel 8 Report

INDIANAPOLIS

A sign outside an Indianapolis apartment complex advertised hot deals, but a fire sale wasn't what the owners had in mind.

About 11 a.m. Tuesday, a passer-by spotted smoke coming from Sherbrook Apartments at Stop 11 Road and McFarland Court on the city's south side.

John Mack of Indianapolis was driving by on Stop 11 when he noticed smoke rising from the top of one of the buildings. When he turned down the drive to check it out, he saw flames shooting out of an apartment window.

"I tried to get people out of the actual apartment that it started in," he said. "One of the windows popped."

"Beyond the door I could see paint peeling from the door already."



WISH-CHANNEL 8 PHOTO

Firefighters from Perry and Decatur Township fire departments work to put out a blaze at Sherbrook Apartments on the south side of Indianapolis.

"I went around and knocked on the doors of the other neighbors, tried to get some of those out. Luckily there was someone next door, and I got her out," he added.

Mack said it appeared no one else was home at the time of the fire. He also kicked in the door of the apartment where the fire

started and crawled in 10 or 15 feet until the smoke forced him out again.

Perry and Decatur township fire departments responded to the fire.

No one was injured in the fire. Investigators are still looking into the cause of the blaze.

## ON THE RECORD

### Police/fire

#### Jail bookings

The following people recently were arrested and booked into the Johnson County jail:

Lillian J. Classen, 43, 4849 Dawn Drive, Indianapolis; arrested on a warrant for failure to appear in court; released on \$2,500 bond.

James A. Hall, 51, 4107 Whitaker Drive, Indianapolis; arrested on a charge of theft or receiving stolen property; released on \$3,000 bond.

Russell Lee Richardson, 39, 999 Yandes St., Franklin; arrested on a charge of possession of paraphernalia; released on \$2,000 bond.

Angi Gail Moss, 42, 960 Brookhaven Drive, Franklin; arrested on a charge of contempt; released on \$100 bond.

Chad Lloyd Cummings, 33, 630 Brewer St., Whiteland; arrested on a Monroe County warrant; held without bond.

Alisha Louise Dismore, 29, 3627 N. LaSalle St., Indianapolis; arrested on a charge of nonsupport of a child; held on \$6,000 bond.

Sean A. Crawford, 22, 695 W. Cutsinger Road, Greenwood; arrested on a charge of driving while suspended with a prior conviction; released on \$1,000 bond.

Brandon Allen Bullock, 19, 551 Ott St., Franklin; arrested on a charge of possession, consumption or transporta-

tion of alcohol by a minor; released on \$1,000 bond.

#### Births

##### Johnson Memorial Hospital

Toshia Moore and Curtis Burton, Edinburg, girl born Feb. 5.

Javahna Atwood and Cory Williams, Franklin, girl born Feb. 3.

Debra Unogu, Bargersville, and Uche Unogu, Indianapolis, boy born Feb. 2.

Andrew and Alyson Vaught of Indianapolis, girl born Jan. 29.

##### St. Francis Hospital Indianapolis

Amanda Overton and Ryan Tidwell, Greenwood, girl born Jan. 28.

J.T. and Stacie Volz, boy born Jan. 19.

#### Minutes

##### Greenwood City council

On Monday, the council:

- Voted 7-0 to give final approval to \$1.6 million for reconstruction and repair of streets in Valle Vista subdivision.

- Heard an introduction to an ordinance that would prohibit parking on public paths and trails.
- Heard an introduction to an ordinance that clarifies the compensation rate of employees who work both an actual and recognized holiday in opera-

tions not staffed seven days a week.

#### School board

##### Center Grove School Corp.

On Monday, the board:

- Approved 5-0 the 2006-07 and 2007-08 school calendars.

- Approved 5-0 the hiring of Moisture Management to oversee roofing projects at the corporation for \$28,550; the company also charges \$6,750 to do a moisture survey of the roofing work. The company would make sure that roofers at the schools were doing their work correctly and keep the project on task.

- Heard an update on school construction projects: Construction at the new Maple Grove Elementary is going well, and workers expect progress in the next six weeks including getting the kitchen equipment installed, installing the gym floor and getting all large air handlers running under a thermostat or temperature control.

The high school HVAC project is almost finished, with all air work completed and some duct work and controls to add.

The outdoor locker room is being finished as workers are still waiting for some garage doors to come in and need to finish landscaping and do some touch up work on the paint.

- Discussed how bus drivers are compensated for their time. Drivers are currently paid a daily rate; the corporation is looking into ways of keeping track of hours worked by drivers to make sure drivers work relatively the same amount of time.

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