



LYON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE MEDIA RELEASE

- On Monday, September 14, 2026, just before 10am, Deputies served a Grayson District Court bench warrant on Jeremy Potts (38) of Fordsville charging him with Non-Payment of Court Costs, Fees, or Fines as it pertained to a traffic and fleeing/evading case. Potts awaits extradition back to Grayson County.
- On Monday, September 14, 2026, around 11:30am, Sheriff Brent White responded to a single vehicle collision on Eddy Creek Road, involving a commercial vehicle. The investigation determined a 2024 International semi, driven by Damya C. Kimbrew (25) of Memphis, TN, was north on Eddy Creek Road when she failed to negotiate a curve and her trailer collided with guard railing and a bridge face on the Eddy Creek Bridge. The driver continued driving north before failing to negotiate a second curve and causing the passenger side, rear trailer wheels to leave the roadway, become damaged, and stuck in a ditch. Kimbrew was cited for multiple traffic offenses, including (1) overweight on county roadway, (2) overweight on bridge, (3) overlength tractor semi-trailer, (4) overwidth, (5) overheight, and (6) Violation of Part 393 Federal Safety Regulations – parts needed for safe operation. The Kentucky State Police, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division, the Lyon County Road Department, and the KYTC Department of Highways assisted Sheriff White at the scene. Eddy Creek Road was closed for nearly four (4) hours while the vehicle was recovered, and bridge inspectors from KYTC could examine the bridge.
- On Monday, September 14, 2026, around 12:45pm, SRO Deputy Jason Young was contacted by school administration about a report involving a student who made threatening comments. The investigation revealed that a teacher had learned of the comments and reported the incident. Further investigation led to a 15-year-old student from Kuttawa being charged with Menacing. The juvenile was released to the custody of their parent or guardian by the authority of a District Court Judge.

- On Monday, September 14, 2026, just after 6pm, the Sheriff's Office was dispatched to a disturbance on Lakeshore Drive in Kuttawa. The investigation revealed a verbal dispute occurred first at a residence on Mistletoe Lane before one of the involved parties left that location and went to a nearby neighbor's home on Lakeshore Drive. The other party involved in the dispute followed and continued to engage in a verbal dispute with the same victim and the Lakeshore Drive property owners. During the argument, a female assaulted a male subject at this location. Deputy Bobby Beeler arrested the female, identified as Laurie A. Thomas (59) of Kuttawa. She was charged with Assault-4th Degree (domestic violence/minor injury) and Criminal Trespassing-2nd Degree. Thomas was lodged in the Crittenden County Detention Center. The male victim declined medical attention at the scene.
- On Tuesday, September 15, 2026, around 8am, Deputies were contacted about a juvenile who was reportedly taking obscene photographs and uploading them to an online platform from another person's electronic device. Following an investigation, SRO Deputy Jason Young detained the juvenile and charged that person with Distribution of Matter Portraying Sexual Performance by a Minor, over 12 years of age but under 18 years of age. The juvenile was released to the custody of their parent or guardian by the authority of a District Court Judge.
- On Wednesday, September 16, 2026, around 7:52pm, Kentucky State Police received a 9-1-1 call of a single vehicle collision on US 641 approximately 4.5 miles North of Eddyville. Deputies Luke Fraley and Josh Travis arrived on the scene to find an unoccupied vehicle which had overturned and had significant damage.

A search of a nearby cornfield resulted in the discovery of the driver, who was unresponsive and had been ejected from the vehicle, a substantial distance away. Lyon County EMS and Eddyville Fire Department were dispatched to the scene. Air Evac was also summoned and landed nearby. The driver was later loaded onto the awaiting helicopter and flown to a Nashville area hospital for treatment of life-threatening injuries.

Deputy Luke Fraley is leading the investigation into the collision. Preliminary findings indicate a 2007 Jeep Commander, driven by Ashley M. Meads-Lemon (38) of Greeley, Colorado, was South on US 641 when she failed to negotiate a curve near the intersection of Coleman-Doles Road on US 641. The vehicle left the roadway and collided with a mailbox at a residence across from Beck Road and continued off road for a considerable distance before colliding with a concrete culvert headwall

and overturning. Speed and alcohol are believed to be contributing factors to this collision. The driver remains in critical condition in a Nashville hospital. The Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by Kentucky State Police, Lyon County EMS, Eddyville Fire Department, and Air Evac. US 641 was closed for 1 ½ hours while deputies investigated the scene, responders loaded the patient onto the helicopter, and crews recovered the vehicle.

- On Thursday, September 17, 2026, around 11:55am, SRO Deputies were called upon to assist a school administrator with a student who was physically and verbally resistive to school staff. After the student also pushed an SRO, before trying to run away, he was physically detained and charged with Abuse of a Teacher. The juvenile was released to the custody of their parent or guardian by the authority of a District Court Judge.
- On Thursday, September 17, 2026, just before 12:30pm, the Sheriff's Office was dispatched to a two-vehicle, injury collision on US 62 West near Bent Tree Lane. The investigation by Chief Deputy Sam Adams, revealed a 2022 GMC Terrain, driven by Cheryl York (53) of Benton, was east on US 62 and slowing to turn right onto Bent Tree Lane. A 2010 Jeep, driven by Kenneth Whitney (41) of Eddyville, was also east on US 62 and overtaking York's vehicle to the rear. Whitney failed to see the GMC turning right and was not able to stop in time before passing York's vehicle on the right shoulder and colliding with it as it was turning. This impact caused Whitney's vehicle to overturn and slid on its top before coming to rest on the east bound emergency lane. Whitney was transported to an area hospital for evaluation of his injuries. York was not injured and declined medical transport at the scene. Whitney was later cited to Lyon District Court, by Chief Deputy Adams, for operating a motor vehicle with an expired operator's license. His license expired in May of 2026.

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