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## Federal charges filed for Flaherty man found with explosive materials at his home

By ROBYN GREGORY  
Messenger Staff

Meade County Sheriff William "Butch" Kerrick said last week a Flaherty man faced federal charges following a routine traffic stop.

The man's parents, though, said there's more to the story than what was aired on local TV stations.

The incident began when Deputy Bryan Rogers stopped a vehicle driven by 28-year-old James W. Nott on April 13 around 10 p.m. According to the police report, Rogers observed Nott driving a 2011 GMC truck with the high beam lights on.

Nott pulled over at 4175 Flaherty Road, which is also listed as his home address on the police report.

"Upon contact the subject got out of vehicle, knelt down and put his hands behind his

head. Subject states he was a convicted felon and had a gun. Subject had red bloodshot eyes, slurred speech, unstable on his feet and had smell of alcoholic beverages on his person. Subject performed field sobriety and showed a high probability of being above .08," Rogers wrote on the citation.

Nott appeared to be cooperative with the officers.

"He stopped immediately, and laces his hands over his head and told the officer that he was a convicted felon and that there was a gun in the truck," said Kerrick.

At the time of the stop, Nott was charged with driving under the influence, failure to dim headlights, carrying a concealed deadly weapon, and license to be in possession. Rogers said two large knives were found between the seats, and a .38 handgun was found in the floor board under the seat.



**JAMES NOTT**

Kerrick said that Nott told officers at the scene that he had stuff at his house to make bombs, but at first they "thought it was just the alcohol talking." At the jail, personnel made a report of his statements and an alcohol breath test recorded a .18 - over two times the legal limit.

"It wasn't until his pre-trial

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Police photo Materials found after a search warrant was obtained for James Nott's home.

*Hippety, hoppity... Easter's on its way!*

Photos by Vickey Carwile  
The Easter Bunny paid a visit to First Federal Savings Bank April 15, much to the delight of Meade County children. The event was a fundraiser presented by the bank to benefit the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Children and pets were photographed by former bank employee, Tara Kinney. The event raised a grand total of \$240 for the Relay. Right: Eight-month-old Addison Stearman was fascinated by the Easter Bunny. In the bottom right photo, left-right: Owen Robinson, five months old; Zachary Benham, 6 years old; Addison Stearman, 8 months old; Anna Benham, 9 years old; James Francis, 8 years old; and Blaine Robinson, 5 months old. The Relay for Life will be held May 14-15, noon-6 p.m. For more information, go to [www.relayforlife.org](http://www.relayforlife.org).



## Muldraugh council not hoping for Indian remains on vacant lot

By LARRY SEE JR.  
Messenger Staff

At a cost of \$1,850, members of the Muldraugh City Council are hoping a Louisville firm won't find any Indian remains on a .75-acre city lot.

Hanging in the balance is a federal grant the city acquired late last year to build a "safe house" tornado shelter. The only stumbling block is a requirement that no Indians inhabited the Main Street property at any time.

During the council's April 11 meeting, members - with councilmember Glenna Lewis absent - unanimously accepted the low bid of \$1,850 from AMEC Earth and Environmental, Inc. to perform the work.

The investigation will consist of the following:

- A background records search in order to determine the level of existing archaeological documentation.
- Coordination to receive an excavation permit from the Office of State Archaeology.
- A phase one survey - carried out by shovel test probing or a pedestrian survey. The exact methods deployed will depend on factors such as slope, ground surface visibility and obvious indications of recent disturbance.
- Preparation of a technical report of the findings.
- Submission and coordination of the report with the Kentucky Engineering Group.

The firm estimates it will take three weeks from the con-

tract start date, barring unforeseen weather delays.

Mayor Danny Tate said he wants the building as far back on the parcel as possible, as his future goal includes the construction of a new city hall in the front. Both buildings would be connected through a breezeway, he said.

The structure is designed without windows and has three entrances. Tate said it can withstand an F6 or an F7 tornado.

Two bids were received, Tate said, with the other bid coming in at \$2,000 from Corn Island Archaeology LLC, also from Louisville.

City Clerk/Treasurer Caroline Cline reviewed the bids

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## Fourth Fort Knox soldier dies in Afghanistan

GHAZNI PROVINCE, AFGHANISTAN - A Fort Knox soldier died April 15, of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his unit with small arms fire in Ghazni Province, Afghanistan.

U.S. Army Spc. Joseph A. Kennedy, 25, St. Paul, Minn., was an infantryman assigned to Company D, 2nd Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regi-

ment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, Task Force Duke.

He began his military service in April 2009 and arrived to Fort Knox in September 2010.

This was Spc. Kennedy's first combat tour.

His awards and decora-

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**SPC. JOSEPH A. KENNEDY**



Submitted photo  
Colton Greenacre loves tractors. There is a yard sale, April 30, to benefit the five year old that is afflicted with a rare genetic disorder.

## A "Little Man" that needs big hearts

By ROBYN GREGORY  
Messenger Staff

His family calls Colton Greenacre "Little Man." And for the five-year old Muldraugh boy, it is ironically the tiniest fraction of a chromosome even identifiable to humans, that is causing him some very big problems...

The chromosomal anomaly - identified only during recent advances in genetics - has no common name, and is known only as "16p11.2."

"It was very rare," said Colton's mother Jessaman (Jessie). "The geneticist at the Weisskopf Center wasn't familiar with it, and at the time Colton was diagnosed with it, she told me that she could only find four cases of it in the United States."

As more becomes known through medical advances and genetic testing, the affliction is become more prevalent.

"I hope this raises awareness," said Jessie. "It is a lot

more commonly known now than it once was."

The anomaly affects portions of the 16th Chromosome, where genetic material is either missing (deleted) or added (duplicated). Colton has the duplicated variety of the disorder, which has manifested itself in various ways.

When he was 11-months old and resting on his mother's shoulder, Colton had his first seizure.

"He was jerky, and I thought it was just in his sleep. I looked down and saw he was foaming at the mouth and not breathing. It was so scary," said Jessie.

After calling 911, first responders got Colton breathing and he was taken to Hardin Memorial Hospital.

Several seizures, EEGs, MRIs, and tests later, the disorder was finally diagnosed April 29, 2009 at the Weisskopf Center in Louisville. Medically speaking, Colton has had non-epileptic type seizures, ADHD of the hyperactive-impulse type, mood disorders, anxiety, behavior and learn

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# CHARGES

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he kept saying things about the stuff at his house that Kentucky State Police Detective Sgt. (Ezra) Stout obtained a search warrant, we notified the state police and they got the bomb squad involved," explained Kerrick.

An affidavit to obtain the search warrant by Rogers said "While in the process of arresting the defendant at the scene, Nott advised officers that he was an anarchist. Nott advised that he was a soldier in a race war and possessed multiple weapons of mass destruction at his residence located at 4175 Flaherty Road... Affiant described potassium nitrate, blasting caps, grenades, gun powder, and wicks. Nott further advised he had a marijuana plant at his residence."

The affidavit goes on to state that "Nott advised he had a green satchel in a closet in the front room of his residence that contains approximately 100 pounds of explosives consisting of hand grenades, deck cord, blasting caps and black powder. He further advised he had an assault rifle on his bed."

Units from the Meade County Sheriff's Department, the Kentucky State Police, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) searched the Flaherty home on April 14. The search turned up materials necessary to make numerous weapons of mass destruction according to Kerrick, including pipes, black powder, blasting caps, and hollowed-out hand grenades; and a semi-automatic rifle.

A press release from the Sheriff's Department said "In addition to the traffic charges in Meade County, Nott will be transferred to federal custody to face additional charges as a result of the bomb-making items found during the search."

Nott was granted a \$15,000 cash bond, which was posted by his parents Jeff and Joyce Nott on April 18. While waiting for their son's release from jail, they said the entire incident had been blown out of proportion.

"Butch told the TV stations that he was being transferred to federal custody, but here we are

to pick him up," said his father, Jeff Nott, at the jail lobby.

Later that day, Kerrick said he was unaware of Nott's release from jail, and when he was notified of it he contacted the state police about the status of the federal warrant.

"The reason why the feds didn't have a warrant out already was the person that processes them wasn't there. They are now, and once it is processed we will serve it and snatch him up," Kerrick said.

Nott's parents said that the ATF officer they spoke with told them that no federal charges were imminent, and that if he was charged with anything it would be "thirty days down the road, and it would be for something like improper storage. And that was *IF* he was charged with anything," Jeff Nott added.

"We've gone from something like improper storage to weapons of mass destruction with Butch out there blabbing," he said. "I talked to the federal agent myself. When Butch told the TV stations that he'd be in federal custody, he was just making it up," said Jeff Nott.

"Bullshit, that's a bogus lie," said Kerrick. "The parents might seem to think this is all a big misunderstanding, but why does he have the quantities of those things he had? We don't know yet what his motives are, or what his intent was, and there are a lot of lives at stake when you have this going on."

Jeff Nott also said that the federal agent he spoke with told him that most everything that was found was stuff you can buy at Walmart or Ace Hardware – and that he seemed to be a hobbyist.

"This is just beyond belief. I would have never have thought that the Sheriff would put erroneous information out about citizens that he's supposed to be taking care of. We're law-abiding people, and yes he went and got a DUI and now everything's been blown way out of proportion. He's not a terrorist," said Jeff Nott.

"The sheriff never spoke with the federal agent who took the case before he went and spoke to the news," added Joyce Nott.

"He was saying things on TV like 'It's just a matter of time,' and other innuendos, and he just let

it go at that. He does that for his own glorification," said Jeff Nott.

Kerrick said he did not seek press attention on the case.

"I didn't contact the television stations, they called us. All day Thursday people were calling us because they were curious, and concerned, and saw a lot of activity going on there at that house, with the bomb squad, police cars and stuff. People called the media about it, and then they called me, asking what was going on," he explained.

Nott's parents said their son was drunk, but nothing the authorities found was not cooperatively disclosed by him.

"When they pulled Billy over, he told them he had a gun in the car. And they got it. When they asked him if he had anything else, he told them. They went over and checked his house, he had some guns and things. He volunteered that information," said Jeff Nott.

"For some reason, and I don't know why he offered that information to them. What aggravates me is we went from the sheriff, to the state police, to the ATF agent who took over the case, and what he said is totally different. There's a 180-degree difference. The federal agent told us not to worry. That the stuff he had wasn't illegal. It wasn't illegal to own it. That everything was going to be okay, and it will take thirty days to get it before the judge..." described Joyce Nott.

"We had him on a suicide watch," said Kerrick. "This is not someone we need out and about in the community right now. We don't know why he had all this stuff, and he wasn't telling us."

Nott left the jail with his parents. According to Joyce Nott, he was arrested later that night by the Kentucky State Police for wanton endangerment and possession of marijuana.

The following afternoon, April 19, Nott was then taken from the Meade County Corrections Facility on two federal charges.

ATF spokesman George Huffman said the nature of the charges could not be released until Nott appeared in U.S. District Court on April 20.

# COLTON

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ing problems, developmental delays, hypotonia, central nervous dysfunctions, and trouble with fine motor skills.

In practical terms for Jessie, typical days can be trying. Bad days can be terrible, as Colton is often prone to fits of screaming, punching and kicking. He has great difficulty in being around people – particularly strangers, she said.

"We've had our run-ins out in public," she described. "We were at the thrift store one day, and he had a huge meltdown. A lady told me that I should get control of my kid and stuff. I think people should think before they make judgments about children they know nothing about."

Colton takes five different

# BONES

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and indicated the only thing she saw differently about them was the price quotes.

In other business, members:

- Agreed to revisit the water infiltration costs passed onto city businesses and residents. Local businessman John Burgess questioned his \$270 infiltration bill, adding he couldn't understand why the bill was so high.

"We are looking for a more equitable way to divide it up," Tate said, adding at the time he had suggested to council the costs be spread evenly, but was out-voted on the issue.

# SOLDIER

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tions include the National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, and the Army Service Ribbon.

He has been awarded the Army Good Conduct Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Bronze Star Medal, and Purple Heart

medications daily, Depakote, Focalin XR20, XR10, Risperidone and Trazodone, but is able to attend Brandenburg Primary School.

"He loves school, and we just love his teacher," said Jessie. "They are so good with him."

Colton will be celebrating his fifth birthday April 20th, and in many ways is a typical five-year old.

"He loves music, and cartoons – especially Sponge Bob, Scooby Doo, and the movie the Cars," she described. "On Easter, I had to laugh because he was more interested in chasing the easter rabbit around, than finding eggs."

"He amazes me everyday," said Jessie. "He is a very loving boy, once he gets to know you he'll give you all kinds of hugs and kisses. And he's always very polite about saying please

and thank you, and he's very eager to learn."

They will be traveling to Gatlinburg July 23-25 with other 16p families to compare notes, and consult with a visiting geneticist, Dr. Wendy Chung from Columbia University, who specializes in 16p disorders.

"I don't know how he'll do on the trip, it might be very traumatic for him. But I hope we can learn a lot," Jessie said. "People from all over the country are going, California, Arkansas..."

To help raise money for the trip, a yard sale and a bake sale will be held in the field across from Muldraugh City Hall at 120 South Main Street, April 30 from 8 a.m. To 5 p.m. Donation of items for the yard sale can be dropped off at 611 Karen Court. For more information call (502) 387- 6207.

unanimously agreed to do so.

- Welcomed Brandon Brinkley to the police department and learned Officer Keith Stiltner has been doing a great job, making five driving under the influence arrests last month.

Police Chief Charlie Ashbaugh said the modem parts were backordered by the company for the in-car computers and were expected to arrive late last week.

Tate also acknowledged the fact that the Kentucky League of Cities had increased the city's insurance rating from 16.5 to 66 percent.

posthumously.

Fort Knox will hold a memorial service in Spc. Kennedy's honor at a time to be determined. A memorial service is also scheduled to take place in Afghanistan at a time to be determined.

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