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Page County Attorney, Carl M. Sonksen, reports the following activities in the Iowa District Court for Page County for the week of April 18, 2016. The Honorable Mark J. Eveloff, Judge of the Fourth Judicial District presided. All persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Daniel Lynn Stalder, age 31, Clarinda, Iowa, appeared with his attorney, having filed a written plea of guilty to Possession of a Controlled Substance, Marijuana. Judgment was deferred for one year and defendant was placed on one year informal probation. The defendant was ordered to obtain a substance abuse evaluation and follow through with any recommendations, receive no criminal law violations, and pay all restitution ordered. The defendant was fined $315.00.

Jay R. Trachte, age 64, Shenandoah, Iowa, appeared with his attorney having filed a written plea of guilty to amended Count I, Operating While Intoxicated, First Offense. Defendant was sentenced to thirty days in jail with all but two days suspended with credit for time served. Defendant is placed on informal probation for one year, defendant shall be required to obtain a substance abuse evaluation, follow up with any and all recommended treatment, complete a drinking driver course, and file proof with the Court. Defendant's driving privileges in the State of Iowa are hereby suspended for a period of one hundred eight days. Defendant was ordered to pay a fine of one thousand two hundred fifty dollars with half of said fine waived upon filing proof of obtaining a valid Temporary Restricted License or valid driver's license. Defendant was ordered to pay all applicable surcharges, court appointed attorney fees, and court costs immediately.

Matthew Magers, age 31, Shenandoah, Iowa, appeared with his attorney having entered a plea of guilty to Count II, amended, Possession of Less than Fifty Kilograms of a Schedule I Controlled Substance, Marijuana, with Intent to Deliver and amended Count III Interference with Official Acts. Count I, Controlled Substance Violation is dismissed. Count II the defendant is sentenced to a term not to exceed five years and a fine of $750.00. Count III the defendant is sentenced to thirty days and fined $65.00. Defendant's fines were suspended. Defendant's sentences shall run concurrent with the thirty day jail sentence imposed in the Possession of Paraphernalia, Interference with Official Acts, and Trespassing cases.

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