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NEWS UPDATES

Monday, September 28, 2015

Wayne Man Charged in Ax Murder

Jesse Wayne Gunderson has been charged in connection with the homicide of Danny Louis Dart, 58, of Wayne. On September 26, 2015 at approximately 5:00 p.m., Gunderson was in the backyard of Dart's home in the 4500 block of Chamberlain when it is alleged he fatally hit Mr. Dart in the head with an ax. The defendant had been residing in Dart's house for several weeks prior to the homicide.

Gunderson has been charged with First Degree Murder. He is expected to be arraigned tomorrow morning at 9:00 a.m. in the 29th District Court in Wayne, Michigan.

Tuesday, September 29, 2015

Richard Wershe, Jr. – The Michigan Court of Appeals reversed the September 4, 2015 order of Wayne County Circuit Judge Dana Hathaway granting Defendant Wershe's motion for relief from judgment and ordering resentencing. The court reasoned that the trial court failed to cite or address the required legal standards when the motion for relief from judgment was granted.

"The Wayne County Prosecutor's Office has prevailed in the Michigan Court of Appeals and the defendant's original sentence remains in effect," said Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Maria Miller.

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Gunderson has been charged with First Degree Murder. He was arraigned and remanded to jail today in the 29th District Court in Wayne, Michigan. His Probable Cause Conference will be held on October 6, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. and his Preliminary Examination will be held on October 13, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, September 30, 2015

Dionte Travis – Defendant charged in connection with the homicide of French street artist Bilal Berrini. Today Travis was convicted of Armed Robbery and received a sentence of 16 to 40 years in prison from Judge Dalton Roberson. His re-trial for Felony Murder and Felony Firearm is November 30th in front of Judge Morrow.

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