

Son arrested for gun-related crimes after family fight erupts on June 19

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A fight between a father and son on Thursday, June 19, at a Scott County home has resulted in two felony charges against the 19-year-old son.

Brant Keith Parrish, Scottsburg, has been charged with intimidation as a Class C felony and pointing a firearm at another person, a Class D felony.

Three Sheriff's Department and two Indiana State Police officers were dispatched to the home on East Marshfield Road around 2 p.m. that Thursday in response to a call from the father. He reportedly told them that his son had pointed a gun at him after an argument had ensued between the two.

Trooper Tracy Spencer stopped a car pulling out of the home's driveway as he arrived. Inside were Brant Parrish and his mother.

In interviews conducted with Parrish's parents and girlfriend, officers were told that the younger Parrish walked into the kitchen, broke a household item and then entered the master bedroom. When he walked out of the bedroom he was "...waving a handgun..." the affidavit stated.

The father said he decided to leave the house. As he did so, he said Brant Parrish went to his bedroom and opened a window, continuing to point the gun at his father's pickup truck as the father drove away. The young man's mother put the gun away, they were advised. When the officer received it, he said the 9mm Glock had a round in the chamber and 11 rounds in its magazine.

An initial hearing in the matter was conducted in Scott Circuit Court on Friday, June 20. Following the entering of a preliminary plea of not guilty to both charges, Judge Roger Duvall set the matter for trial on November 25 and ordered that a public defender be appointed to the case. Parrish's bail was set at \$50,000 corporate surety bond/\$10,000 cash bail.

A no contact order was issued, instructing the younger Parrish to stay away from his father

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should he be released on bond prior to the trial date.

On Tuesday, June 24, Judge Duvall allowed Parrish to be released on his own recognizance with Prosecutor-approved stipulations that he is placed on GPS-monitored home detention and undergo a mental health evaluation and follow all recommendations arising from that procedure.