

Burglar Receives Eight-Year Prison Sentence

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Courtney Ralston, a 22-year-old Hamilton woman, was sentenced today to serve 8 years in prison for committing a series of burglaries in Turtlecreek and Clearcreek Townships.

Ralston pled guilty last month to seven felony burglary charges and one gun specification. Warren County Common Pleas Court Judge Neal Bronson sentenced Ralston to serve five years in prison (concurrent) for three of the burglaries, two years in prison (concurrent) on the other four burglaries, and one year in prison for the gun specification, for a total of eight years. Ralston was also ordered to pay restitution of \$33,452.31 to the seven victims.

Ralston and Co-Defendant Jessica Coffey broke into seven homes in February and March earlier this year and stole various items, including firearms, televisions and a large amount of jewelry. The crimes were motivated by an effort to finance an illegal drug habit. Coffey pled guilty in June and is serving a 10-year prison sentence.

Assistant Prosecutor Derek Faulkner prosecuted the case, which was investigated by officers from Clearcreek Township and the Warren County Sheriff's Office.



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