

DAILY EDITION

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Thursday, March 25, 2010

LCSO-ND busts meth lab after deputies respond to fight call on Malone Road

Man had set fire to grandparents home earlier in day

LCSO-ND agents were called to a Loudon residence after deputies responded to a fight call and discovered evidence of a meth lab at the scene. The man charged is further accused of setting the hose afire earlier in the

day while his elderly grandparents were present.

Derek Allen Sheldon, 19, Malone Road, Loudon was charged Saturday with manufacturing methamphetamine, felony possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of

(see Sheldon pg. 3)



Derek Allen Sheldon
Manufacturing methamphetamine, felony possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of schedule II (adderall) and felony reckless endangerment x 2

Woman charged with fraud after stealing mom's debit card

Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD, charged a young Lenoir City woman with fraud after she allegedly stole her mother's debit card and used it to gain cash.

Angel Dawn Micheau, 23, Lakeview Cove Drive, Loudon was charged with two counts of fraudulent use of a debit card.

According to an affidavit filed by the detective; on (see Micheau pg. 6)



Angel Dawn Micheau

Man crashes into tree, gets 2nd DUI

A Farragut man reportedly told law enforcement officers he'd had a sixpack when he

received his second DUI charge after he crashed into a tree along Highway 321.

(see Hicks pg. 3)

H1N1 Flu Virus Still Active in Tennessee

NASHVILLE – The Tennessee Department of Health continues its efforts to ensure the health of state residents as cases of H1N1 flu are still affecting some pockets of the state. Though flu activity has declined since late October, recent activity across Tennessee should encourage people who have not been

(see Virus pg. 7)

Verse of the day

Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? there's more hope of a fool than of him.

Proverbs 26:12

Obituaries

Effie Mae Carpenter Guinn
Edward Melvin "Bud"

Hughes Weather:

Today: Cloudy in the morning, then off and on rain showers during the afternoon hours. High 63. Winds S at 10 to 20 mph. Chance of rain 60%.

Tonight: Showers and thundershowers likely. Low 49.

Winds SW at 10 to 15 mph.

Chance of rain 60%.

Friday: Showers ending by midday. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the low 40s.

Wazzup

A great big Thank You to Charlie at Dr. Marty's - truck starts every time now!

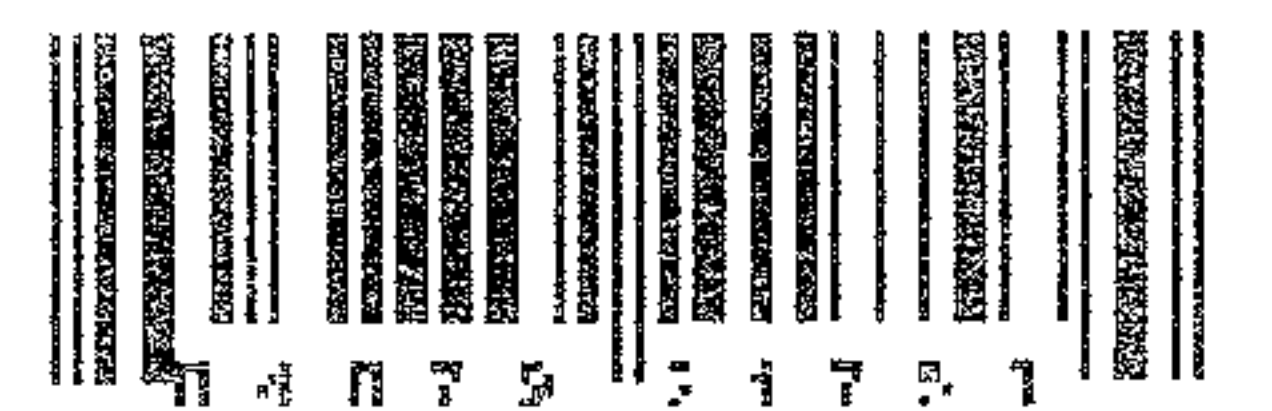
Horoscopes

Aries

(Mar 21-Apr 20)

You're usually the one who gets things started,

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)



Sheldon

schedule II (adderall) and two counts of felony reckless endangerment.

According to the report, the Loudon County Patrol Division received a call in reference to a fight at

a residence on Malone Road. When deputies arrived on scene, they made contact with Derek Sheldon. Sheldon appeared to be under the influence of some type of drug.

Records indicate the Loudon County Sheriff's Office Narcotics Division had received information within the last few days that Sheldon was manufacturing meth at his house. Corporal Chad Estes, LCSO asked the homeowner for consent to search the house. The homeowner granted consent to Corporal Estes.

The corporal advised when he walked into the home he noticed a bottle containing an unknown liquid in the trash can along with other drug paraphernalia commonly used to consume meth in a front bedroom. LCSO-ND was called to the scene and entered the house in protective gear. Team mem-

bers discovered items used to manufacture meth which consisted of plastic tubing, pseudo ephedrine pills, a plastic bottle with unknown liquids and solids, known as a mother Jar, a plastic bottle with unknown acid and plastic tube coming from the top (gas generator), several other containers with unknown acids, a large amount of lithium batteries, some of which had been cut open. All the items are used to manufacture meth, via the lithium reduction method, aka 'shake and bake'.

Also found were 7 pills identified as adderall (schedule II) in a plastic zip lock bag.

According to Sgt. Hall's report, while interviewing a witness it was discovered that earlier in the day Sheldon caught the house on fire when he kicked over a jar of acid while he was manufacturing meth. Living in the house with Sheldon and present while Sheldon was manufacturing meth was his grandfather, who was transported to the hospital after becoming unresponsive at

the scene. Also living in the home and present, was Sheldon's grandmother. Both Sheldon's grandparents are in their 80's and were exposed to toxic chemicals from Derek manufacturing meth in the home.

Investigator Shane Ezell, LCSO-ND was also on scene.

Hicks

Chase Ryan Hicks, 25, Woody Drive, Faragut, was charged Thursday with DUI 2nd offense.

According to records, Corporal Ernie Brown, LCSO was dispatched to Highway 321 near Pleasant Hill Church in reference to a traffic crash. Upon arrival, the deputy found Mr. Hicks was the driver of a white Chevrolet pickup involved in the crash.

The lawman reported the truck had left the roadway and struck a tree.

Mr. Hicks told the officer he'd drank six beers. He was unsteady on his feet and had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person. Hicks performed poorly on sobriety tasks and refused transport by EMS.

Mr. Hicks was read the implied consent law and was transported to Fort Loudon ER where he submitted to a blood alcohol sample and then was taken to jail.

A check of Hick's driving history revealed a prior DUI charge in 2005 in Loudon County.

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Micheau

On about March 13th, 2010, Angel Micheau stole her mother's debit card out of her purse and went to Food City on Market Drive in Lenoir City and purchased \$8.04 worth of merchandise and got \$50 in cash in return, for a total of \$58.04. This was done without permission or knowledge of her mother.

On the same day, Ms. Micheau went to EZ Stop at 501 West Broadway in Lenoir City where she withdrew \$200 from her mother's account from the ATM machine. The total

amount of the transaction was \$202.75. This was also done without permission or knowledge of Micheau's mother. Detective Sartin made the arrest Wednesday.

Police Beat

Megan Leigh Cox, 23, Hawkins Road, Sweetwater was charged with DUI 1st

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offense.

According to records, Officer Bennie Houser, LPD observed a tan Saturn traveling west on Highway 72 at Carding Machine Road, 60 mph in a 45 mph zone. When the officer caught up to the vehicle at New Life Church, it drove

off into the emergency lane.

Officer Houser asked Ms. Cox to see her license, registration and proof of insurance after stopping her and noted she had a strong odor of an intoxicant about her person.

Cox stated she was

on her way to her brother's house in Knoxville and said she drank Weiser and Coke and a beer. She did poorly on field sobriety.

Miss Cox was read the implied consent and agreed. Her BAC was .14%.

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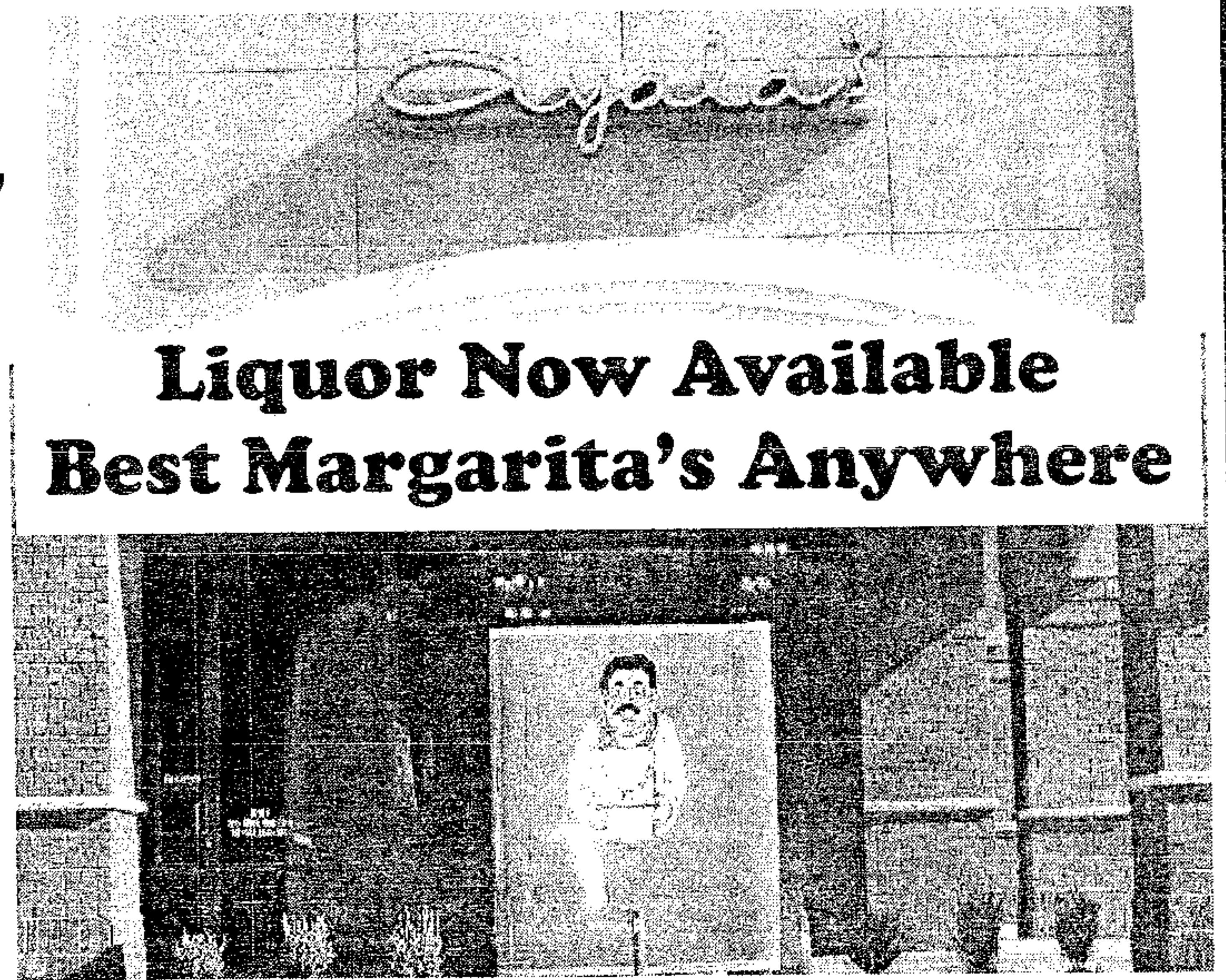
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Virus

vaccinated to get the H1N1 flu vaccine to protect themselves and their communities.

"The flu season is not over. Recent cases of severe illness and death serve as an important reminder that the flu virus can be serious," said Health Commissioner Susan R. Cooper, MSN, RN. "Flu activity caused by either H1N1 or seasonal flu viruses may rise and fall, but we continue to encour-

age Tennesseans to take advantage of the ample availability and opportunities to get vaccinated."

The flu virus is unpredictable. On average, flu complications result in more than 200,000 hospitalizations and 36,000 deaths in the United States each year. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention monitors H1N1 and other influenza activity levels and trends through a nationwide surveillance system. Recent reports esti-

mate that the H1N1 flu has contributed to an average of 59 million cases of the virus, approximately 265,000 H1N1-related hospitalizations, and as many as 17,000 related deaths between April 2009 and mid-February 2010 in the United States.

"The H1N1 flu virus has caused substantial outbreaks of disease outside of the normal influenza seasons," said State Epidemiologist Tim F. Jones, MD. "Our surveillance systems show that the

virus is still active in Tennessee and could continue to cause local outbreaks for weeks or months. The best protection against this is vaccination."

H1N1 flu vaccine is widely available throughout Tennessee to anyone who wishes to receive it, and it's not too late to get a flu vaccine this season. To get information about vaccine availability, contact your health care provider or your county health department. H1N1 flu vaccine is still being offered at no cost to patients at county health department clinics across the state. Additionally, retail locations are offering the vaccine for a fee. Visit the TDOH Flu Shot Locator online at <http://health.state.tn.us/fluclinic/default.aspx> to find a location near you.

The Tennessee Department of Health continues to distribute flu prevention posters free of charge to businesses, government agencies and the public encouraging residents to get vaccinated, practice respiratory etiquette and stay home when sick. "What do you do to

prevent the flu?" posters are readily available for pick-up at local county health departments for distribution and display at public locations throughout the community.

Police Beat

Jesus Ramirez Guzman, 29, Kingston Street, Lenoir City was charged with driving on suspended license, driving under the influence and simple possession of schedule VI.

According to records, Deputy Jerramie Bowen, LCSO received a call from a KPD officer in reference to a reckless driver that exited the 81. The deputy got behind the green Chrysler and observed it cross both the center line and the shoulder several times.

Deputy Bowen made a traffic stop on the vehicle but the vehicle didn't stop right away, it slowed down and pulled to the shoulder, ran over the curb and then stopped.

Mr. Guzman had a strong odor of alcohol coming from the vehicle. When asked to exit the car, Mr. Guzman stumbled out of the driver's seat. He performed poorly on field sobriety tasks. A check of his name and date of birth through NCIC, came back suspended.

An inventory of the car produced a cigarette in the ash tray believed to be marijuana.

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