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Thursday, January 19, 2012

Former baby sitter accused of burglary, more

One of two victims in separate theft and forgery cases reportedly told officials she suspected her former baby sitter of burglarizing her home and the investigation led detectives to another person who said he'd bought some items from the accused woman the same the day the burglary was reported. She also is accused of passing stolen checks at local businesses in mid-November, 2011.

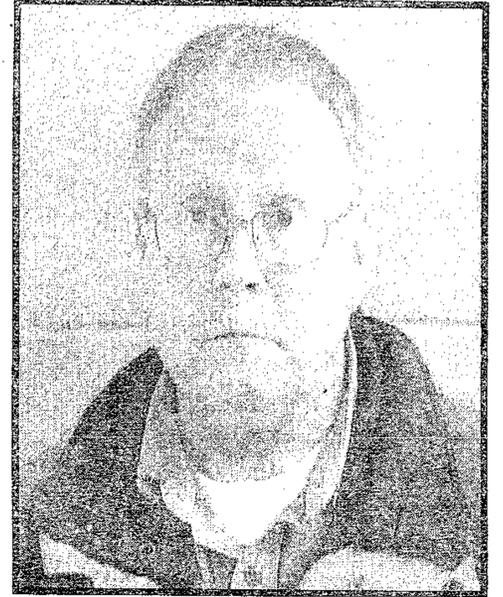


(see Sticky Fingers pg. 6) **Montgomery**

Yosemite Sam wanna-be pulls gun, lands in heap of rootin-tootin trouble

A local man reportedly discovered that even though he has a carry permit for his gun, he is not allowed to pull it on people after he allegedly brandished a .38 at another man for accidentally hitting his truck in a convenience store parking lot Thursday morning.

Gary Earl Andrews, 54, River Road, Loudon was charged with aggravated assault.



(see Dadburnit! pg. 3) **Andrews**

Convicted DUI offenders busted for 3rd & 4th times



James Keith Bledsoe, 53, Snodderly Drive, Lenoir City was charged with DUI 4th of-

(see Bledsoe pg. 7)



Philip Brison Filyaw, 55, Clifty Creek Road, Oak Dale, Tennessee was charged with

(see Filyaw pg. 3)

Milk does a body good but it's not free

Officer Jeremy Dishner, LCPD was dispatched to Walmart on a theft call. Upon arrival the officer made contact with loss prevention who reported Christina Gourley drank a milk valued at \$1.55

(see Got Milk? pg. 7)

TWRC Holds First Meeting of 2012

CHATTANOOGA - The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission completed its first meeting of 2012 Friday, making slight changes to a rule in regard to waterfowl blind drawings and addressed proclamations in reference to elk hunting

(see Meeting pg. 5)

Thieves target local man's home

A local man called authorities Tuesday when he discovered someone had cut the catalytic converter off his vehicle and found numerous items of his property also was missing from his home.

(see Thieves pg. 6)

TWRA Seeks Help in 2012 Bald Eagle Nest Survey

NASHVILLE - Scott Somershoe, ornithologist for The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, has announced the agency is looking for bald eagle nests across Tennessee in 2012.

(see Survey pg. 7)

Verse of the Day

Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.

Matthew 7:7

Obituaries

Carl Dexter Cannon
Arnold Ray Stringer Jr.
Juanita Petty Isbell

Wazzup

A big shout out to Angel M. and good luck with the baby when the time comes!

Thank you for the cool salt

dip, Diane C., had never heard of them before! Now if green onion season would just get here....

Weather

Today: Mostly cloudy skies. High 51. Winds SSW at 5 to 10 mph.

Tonight: Low around 32.

Friday: Mostly cloudy. Highs in

the low 50s and lows in the low 30s.

Horoscopes

Capricorn 12/22-1/19

Your bemusement may sometimes irritate your friends, but that just means that you need to deal with your people remotely

(Continued on page 2)

Dadburnit!

According to records, Thursday, at approximately 10:19 AM, Officer Dennis Guider, LCPD responded to Weigel's on Highway

321 and McGhee Boulevard on a report of a man with a gun. On arrival, the officer made contact with Gary Andrews and the victim.

The officer reported

the victim had apparently pulled into Weigel's parking lot and accidentally hit Mr. Andrews' Dodge 1500 pickup. Mr. Andrews yelled at the victim to

stop, and then lifted his coat and pulled a Smith & Wesson .38 Special from a holster, showing it to the victim, putting him in fear for his life.

Mr. Andrews did have a handgun carry permit. He was placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon County Jail.

Filyaw

driving on revoked license and DUI, 3rd offense.

According to affidavits filed by Trooper Underwood, THP; on

November 19th, 2009, at 6:44 AM, Mr. Filyaw was driving a white Dodge Neon on Interstate 40 West at the 364 mile marker and was involved in a crash. He had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage about his person, bloodshot eyes and slurred speech.

Mr. Filyaw admitted to drinking four or five beers and his license were revoked in the state of Tennessee for DUI.

Deputy Robert Gray, LCSO made the arrest Monday at the Roane County Jail.

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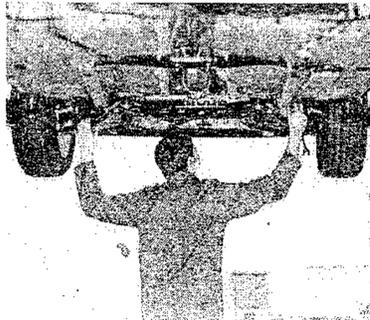
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Meeting and wild hogs.

The Fisheries Division gave a pair of presentations in regard to an update on fisheries research and the possibility of con-

ducting a plan to study the sustainability of establishing commercial paddlefish roe fishing on those waters currently not open to commercial fishing in the state.

The commission took action to amend the rule regarding computerized waterfowl blind drawings. The new rule will allow waterfowl hunters to apply as a party on select Wild-

life Management Areas. The three affected WMAs are Bogota, Thorny Cypress in West Tennessee and Chickamauga in East Tennessee. The purpose of the rule change is to increase participation during the waterfowl hunts.

The TWRC voted to table the elk proclamation until the February meeting. The agency is exploring the possibility of adding a youth only elk hunting tag. A public comment period will begin later this month concerning input for the addition of the tag. The additional tag would be for a Tennessee youth between the ages of 13-16.

The commission received an update on the elk restoration program. Elk were reintroduced to Tennessee in 2001 and the population is experiencing an estimated growth of about 8 percent per year. About 300 animals are residing on the North Cumberland WMA which is comprised of 150,000 acres.

The TWRA announced that a black bear public opinion survey is being conducted for selected target areas. The TWRA is exploring the possibility of making changes to its black bear management policy. The results of the survey will assist in making those decisions.

On a recommendation made by the TWRA, the TWRC voted to extend the expiration date for landowners to allow lease holders to assist with wild hog eradication efforts. The period was extended until July 31, 2013 from Feb. 28, 2012.

A presentation was made to the TWRC by Dr. Phil Bettoli of the Tennessee Cooperative Fishery Research Unit at Tennessee Tech University. The presentation gave details of historical and current fisheries research the unit has performed for the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. Dr. Bettoli presented several examples

of how much of the research has been used in management applications and decisions on fisheries resources in the state.

TWRA presented the plan at the TWRC's December meeting to study the sustainability of a commercial paddlefish roe fisheries on waters not currently open to commercial fishing in the state.

A law passed by the general assembly during the last legislative session, directed the agency to develop a plan to study sustainability, population conditions, and juvenile survival rates of paddlefish and other roe producing fish on waters not currently open to commercial fishing. Those waters include Cordell Hull, Norris, Watts Barr, and Melton Hill lakes and a currently restricted section of Old Hickory Lake.

The agency had a comment period in regard to the plan that began following the December TWRC meeting. Prior to the meeting, the agency had received more than 200 comments from the public which were unanimously against the proposal.

The 21st Annual Sandhill Crane Festival is being held Jan. 14-15 at the Hiwassee Refuge, located north of Chattanooga. Dan Hicks, Region III Information and Education Coordinator gave an outline of the event's agenda. About 15,000 sandhill cranes are currently being reported at the refuge. The TWRA is one of the hosting partners for the event.

TWRC Chairman William Brown appointed a committee comprised of board members Julie Schuster, Jim Bledsoe, and Eric Wright to bring nominations to the TWRC at next month's meeting for the commission's officers for 2012-13.

The TWRC will next meet in Nashville on Feb. 9-10 at the TWRA Region II Ray Bell Building.

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Sticky Fingers

Misty Dawn Montgomery 'aka' Smith, 33, Salem Valley Drive, Ten Mile was charged with aggravated burglary, five counts of theft of property \$1000-\$10,000, and two counts of check forgery.

According to affidavits, filed by Detectives Jonathan Sartin, LCPD, and Charles Cosner, LCSO-CID; on or about November 13, 2011, Ms. Montgomery took checks belonging to the victim and drawn on ORNL Credit Union to Ingles and Food City in Lenoir City. Ms. Montgomery passed the checks for \$86.14, \$47.38 and \$51.76, without the permission or knowledge of the owner.

On or about January 5, 2012, another victim

reported she arrived at her residence on Highway 321 and discovered someone had forced the door open, entered her residence without consent, and took several items, including video game consoles and jewelry with an estimated value of over \$1000.

The victim stated her former baby sitter, identified as Misty Dawn Montgomery, had called her the day before and was asking questions pertaining to if anyone would be at the residence and if the victim and the neighbors were on speaking terms.

During the investigation, several of the victim's game consoles and games were recovered from an individual who gave a written statement saying he'd purchased the items from Misty Montgomery the same

day the victim made the report of aggravated burglary at her residence.

Another witness was also at the residence of the individual who bought the items and witnessed the exchange, and also provided a written statement against Ms. Montgomery.

Officer B. Brown, LCPD located Ms. Montgomery Sunday at a residence on West Fourth Avenue, Lenoir City served the warrants and made the arrest.

Thieves

According to reports, Deputy Craig Brewer, LCSO responded to a residence on Mountain

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View Road Tuesday on a report of theft. The owner of the residence, Mr. Jeff Raper, advised he went out that night and found the converter cut off his Jeep.

Raper said when he checked further, he found several other items missing from his

house.

The items, too numerous to list, were valued at \$1235, and the value of some of the stolen items was unknown at the time of the report.

The case was turned over to investigators.

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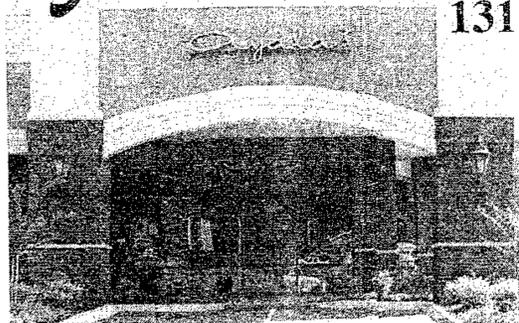
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fense.

According to reports, Monday, around 11:45 AM, Officer Jamie Whitt, LCPD received a call of a possible intoxicated driver leaving the EZ Stop on West Broadway, going towards the Justice Center. Officer Whitt observed a white Chevy Lumina being driven by Mr. Bledsoe on Browder School Road and stopped it.

Bledsoe had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage about his person, slurred speech, watery eyes and was extremely unsteady on his feet.

Bledsoe reportedly

told the officer he had a disorder and would not do field sobriety tasks after being asked to twice.

Mr. Bledsoe stated he wanted to take a breath test and did so with a level of .24%.

Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD was also on the scene.

Got Milk?

and failed to pay for the item when she exited the store.

Christina L. Gourley, 32, of Poplar Street, Loudon, was charged with theft under \$500. Officer Jeremy Dishner, LCPD made the arrest.

Survey

TWRA, in partner with other government

agencies and private citizens, have been monitoring bald eagle nests across the state for many years; however there are gaps in monitoring as birds have moved nests and many new nests are appearing annually.

Somershoe says it is the aim to conduct a complete inventory of eagle nests in the state in 2012. The goal of the project is to document all active nesting locations in the state as part of a comprehensive nest monitoring program to estimate population size and growth for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

New eagle nests are

showing up across the state, including one within the city limits of Franklin, and there are many other nests that may have been around for years that are not in-

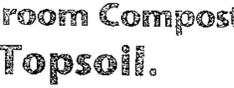
cluded in the statewide database. If you have any questions or know of any bald eagle nests, please contact Somershoe at (615) 781-6653 or scott.somershoe@tn.



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