

# DAILY EDITION

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Thursday, October 11, 2007

## Armed standoff ends peacefully in county



**Convicted felon taken after short standoff**



photo left—authorities await backup to end the standoff. Chief Deputy Tony Aikens (right) and Asst. Chief Deputy James Davis II escort the suspect (Seiber) to an awaiting unmarked patrol car above.

(see Standoff pg. 6)

## Threats with weapon

A Knoxville woman called authorities Tuesday after her dog went through a neighbor's yard and into the yard

of a man who threatened to shoot them both before firing a weapon when she went to get her pooch.

(see Threats pg. 3)

## Theft of trailer & furniture

A Loudon man called police Monday when he went to get his camper and discovered someone had sto-

len his trailer.

Deputy Daniel Kelly, LCSD, reported he spoke with John Doyle of Oostanali Way who

(see Theft pg. 7)

## TDOT Launches Phase II of SmartWay Traveler Information System

New Cameras, Message Boards, Highway Advisory Radio System Available

Nashville, - Nashville area motorists now have more tools to aid them in their commute through the Mu-

sic City. The Tennessee Department of Transportation today launched Phase II of the TDOT SmartWay

(see System pg. 8)

## Cell tower hit by thieves

Police were called to a cell phone tower site in Loudon County after a site foreman discovered someone had stolen about \$2000 worth of

copper from the property.

Deputy Chris Bowen, LCSD, was dispatched to a location along Highway 70 West where he spoke

(see Thieves pg. 9)

## Pistol stolen

A local woman called police Wednesday when she discovered her pistol missing from her night stand.

According to reports, Deloa Amos, Rosa Way, told Deputy Mike Williams, LCSD, the pistol was taken

(see Pistol pg. 8)

## Verse of the day

And houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten

and be full;

Deuteronomy 6:11

## Obituaries

None

## Weather:

Today: Mostly sunny skies.

High 66.

Tonight: Partly cloudy skies.

Low 42.

Friday: Mix of sun and clouds. Highs: upper 60s; Lows: low 40s.

## Wazzup

Good luck this Saturday Larry Atchley and team in the barbecue cookoff. How

'bout the World Champion coming here just to compete against you!

## Horoscopes Libra

(Sept 24-Oct 23)

Mix-ups could delay getting a project started. You (see Horoscopes pg. 2)

## Threats

According to records, Rebecca Walker, Lake Point Drive, told Deputy Craig Brewer, LCSD, she was outside around 7:00 to 7:30 p.m. when her dog went through a neighbor's yard and into the yard of another Lake Point Drive residence. When she got to the

yard, she saw the resident, whom she identified, in the brush with an unknown type of long gun.

Walker said she asked for permission to retrieve her pet and the man started threatening to shoot both her and her animal. While trying to retrieve the dog, the man discharged the weapon and she

heard it and got another neighbor to help her get her pet.

The officer reported Walker advised she called her husband and they called for a report after he got home.

No injuries were reported in the incident.

## Police Beat

Gregory Clay Berry, 25, of Beals Chapel

Road, Lenoir City was charged with VOP.

According to the affidavit, Berry was convicted of SP and PODP and sentenced to probation for 11 months 29 days.

Since then he has failed to report to probation officer; failed to pay costs/fines, owes \$2094; failed

to pay supervision fees, owes \$450 and failed to respond to notices.

Deputy John Maples, LCSD made the arrest.

Courtney Nicole Turner, 28, of Climberville, Spring City, TN, was charged with failure to appear on driving on suspended license.

Lt. John M. Tinnel, LCPD made the arrest.

Joseph Cory Beckner, 22, of Woodlawn Pike, Knoxville, was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Daniel Ferguson, LCSD made the arrest.

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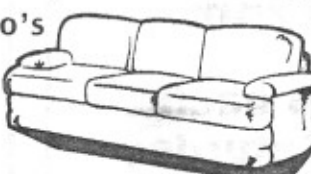
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## Police Beat

Michael Lynn Angel, 37, of Rock Springs Road, Lenoir City was charged with theft of service.

According to the report, an employee of Service Cab Co.

picked up Michael Lynn Angel near the bus station in Knoxville and drove him to the Inn of Lenoir. Mr. Angel was unable to pay the fare of \$56.40.

Lt. John M. Tinnel, LCPD made the arrest.

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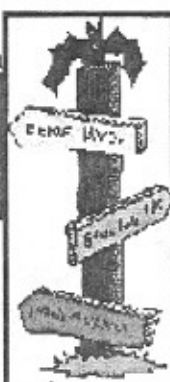
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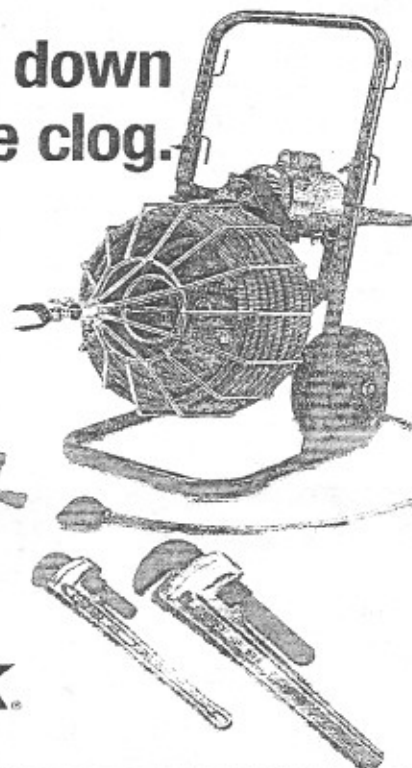
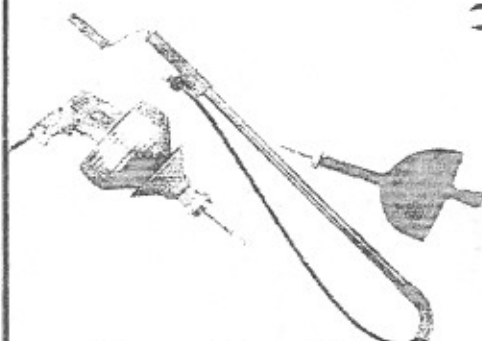


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## Standoff

On Wednesday a standoff between 35 year old Billy Seiber and the Loudon County Sheriff's Department took place on Taylor Drive after a domestic violence call was placed to the Loudon County 911 Emergency Communications Center.

Officials from the LCSD, Loudon County Rescue, Rural Metro Ambulance Service and the Blount County SWAT team were dispatched to the scene where they encountered Seiber, who refused to leave the house on Taylor Drive and claimed to be armed with a weapon.

The suspect reportedly had broken the windows out in his girlfriend's vehicle and told her that he would kill any law enforcement officials, as well as her, if police were called to the scene. The girlfriend, who was unidentified, reportedly left the house and notified the E-911 center.

The suspect reportedly was armed with a knife and has a history of violent criminal activity. A check of his name by the LCSD revealed that Billy Seiber has a lengthy criminal history out of Knox County with a conviction for aggravated robbery as well as other charges, and spent four years in the state penitentiary under the custody of Tennessee Department of Cor-

rections.

Seiber reportedly contacted the Loudon County Justice Center requesting to speak with officials during the standoff. Corporal Paul Curtis responded to the request and he and Assistant Chief Deputy James Davis II approached the house to speak with him.

Through communications with the suspect, Sheriff's Department officials were able to convince Seiber to give himself up and come out of the house without any unnecessary violence. He was then placed into custody.

Billy Seiber was transported via unmarked Sheriff's car to Ft. Sanders Loudon Medical center for medical evaluation after being secured at the scene.

The Blount County SWAT team was then called to stand down from the location before any kind of forced entry was executed on the dwelling.

Detectives from the Loudon County Sheriff's Department are currently investigating the crime scene and charges against Seiber are pending awaiting the conclusion of their investigation.

No serious injuries were reported during the standoff.

### Police Beat

Mark Shannon Debusk, 48, of Riverchase Drive, Lenoir City, was charged with DUI and viol. of implied consent.

According to the

report, Debusk was on I75 and his vehicle was called out because his doctors office called and stated he was drunk. Trooper Daniel Morton, THP observed the vehicle and it almost struck the divider line numerous times.

Upon contact the trooper immediately detected the odor of an alcoholic beverage. Debusk performed poorly on sobriety tasks and refused a BAC test.

**F.Y.I.**  
Heaven's Call will be singing at Bell

Avenue Baptist Church, Lenoir City. Sunday, October 14, 2007 at 11am. Everyone Welcome!

**Beginning Monday, October 8, 2007**, LCSD Toys for Tots applications are available at the Sheriff's Department and at the Depart-

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### Theft

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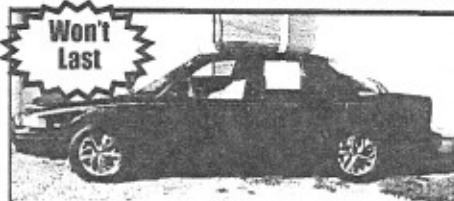
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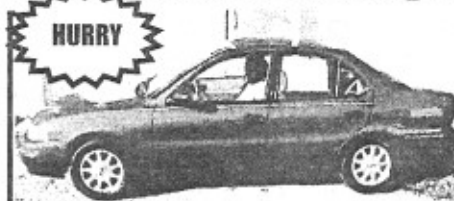
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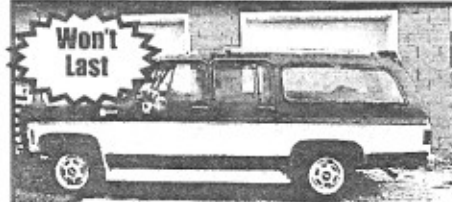
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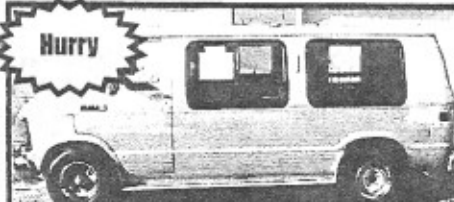
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## System

traveler information system. Phase II improvements include 19 new closed circuit traffic cameras, eight dynamic message boards, 80 speed detection devices and the addition of a city-wide Highway Advisory Radio (HAR) system.

Approximately 60% of all congestion is caused by non-recurring incidents like traffic crashes, and these improvements will help TDOT find and respond to and clear incidents faster, said TDOT Commissioner Gerald Nicely. We are also placing more information at the hands of motorists which allows them to plan ahead or look for an alternate route when lanes are closed on the interstate.

The 19 new traffic cameras and nine new dynamic overhead message boards are located along I-440, I-40, I-65, and I-24 and can be viewed on the TDOT web site at: [www.tennessee.gov/tdot/tdotsmartway](http://www.tennessee.gov/tdot/tdotsmartway). Just click on Nashville to view all traffic

cameras available in the city.

Motorists also have a new way to access roadway information through the new city-wide HAR system. When a traffic lane will be blocked for an extended time, flashing beacons located on signs across Davidson County will activate, alerting motorists to tune their radio dials to AM 1680. The system is currently being tested, but should be fully operational by the end of the week. It is important to note that daily rush hour congestion and short term lane closures will not be reported on the HAR system.

For the most up to date statewide travel information motorists are urged to dial 511 from any land line or cellular phone, or visit [www.TN511.com](http://www.TN511.com).

## Pistol

sometime between and April and the present and identified a possible suspect.

The officer reported Amos said she didn't know the make of the gun, only that she bought it at Winn's Sporting Goods in

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## Thieves

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The loss was valued at \$2000.

## Police Beat

Peggy Christina

Ledford, 32, of Oak Hill Avenue, Knoxville, was charged with DUI.

According to the report, Sgt. Joe Foster, LCPD observed Ledford going from line to line and stopped her. She had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on her person and was unsteady on her feet.

Sgt. Joe Foster, LCPD made the arrest.

Johnny Jennings Bane, 56, of Ash Avenue, Lenoir City and Adan Martinez Salazar, 34, of Ash Avenue, Lenoir City was charged with public intoxication.

Officer Darrell Butler, LCPD was dispatched to Ingle's and found both with a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on their person and they were a danger to themselves and others if left in public. Officer Darrell

Butler, LCPD made the arrests.

Jason Kane Weese, 34, of Columbus Drive, Lenoir City was charged with VOP.

According to the affidavit, Weese was convicted of promoting meth mfg, poss. of sch. II with intent to sell, simple poss. of controlled substance x2 in criminal court

and was sentenced to probation for 6 years.

Since then he has failed to report as instructed and has not entered a drug rehab program.

Deputy Daniel Ferguson, LCSD made the arrest.

Michael Paul Bryant, 25, of Browder Hollow Road, was charged with VOP.

According to the affidavit Bryant was convicted of evading arrest and sentenced to probation for 11 months 29 days.

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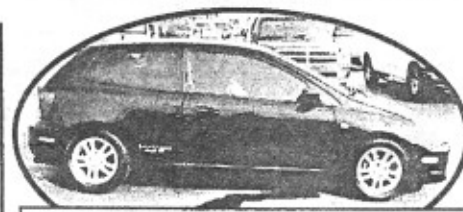


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