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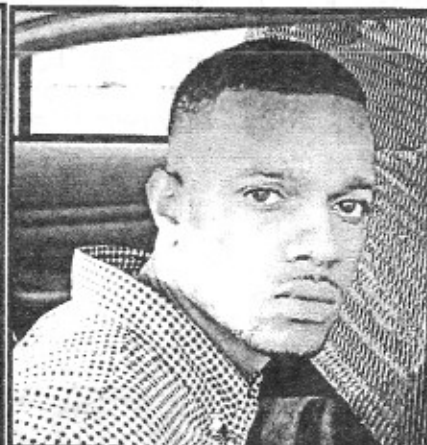
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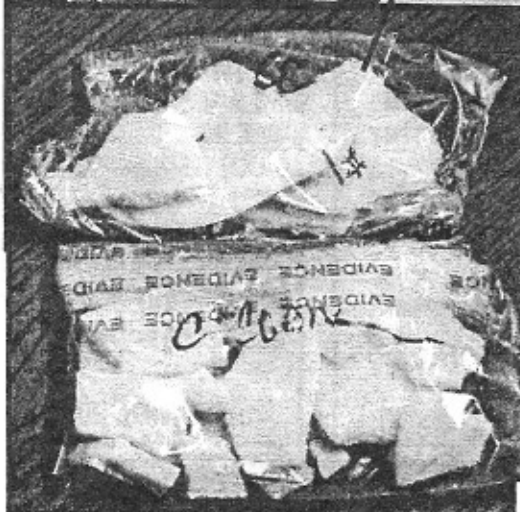
## LCSD and LCPD team up in drug bust



Shawn Waller



Jason Ware



above-Sgt. Billy Hall and Sheriff Tim Guider stand with Draga with 6.5 ounces of crack cocaine (left) seized in a traffic stop with Sgt. Hall and Officer Jason Butler, LCPD

(see Bust pg. 11)

## Shot's truck recovered within minutes

(see Shot pg. 8)



Shot Wilson sends a great big thank you to LCPD and LCSD as his truck is towed away

## Look inside for:

- Sartin charges man in assault and robbery
- Father charged with harassment
- Fishing with Gus
- Gun season for deer opens November 17
- Local Author publishes book
- THP joins Tri-state traffic safety initiative for upcoming holiday

## Verse of the day

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.  
Exodus 20:7

## Obituaries

William Garrad Fox

Tommy Fleming  
Jean Marie Skidmore

## Weather:

Today: Morning clouds followed by afternoon sun.  
Highs in the mid 60s.  
Tonight: Lows in the low 40s.  
Tuesday: Partly cloudy.

Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 40s.

## Wazzup

How 'bout them officers with LCPD and deputies with LCSD teaming up in a big crack bust!  
Great to see your okay Shot!

## Horoscopes Scorpio

(Oct 24-Nov 22)

You're in the mood to change things up somehow, especially around the house. Be sure to get approval from everyone in-

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

## Sartin charges man in assault and robbery

Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD has charged a Knoxville man in connection with a September assault and robbery that occurred at the Food City in Lenoir City. According to the warrants, on or about September 1, 2007 Jason Mikel Dixon, went to Food City on



Jason Mikel Dixon

Hwy 321 in Lenoir City. Dixon pulled into the parking lot in the lower side of the lot. When the victim came out of her car and started to put her merchandise in the car Dixon hit the buggy with his car knocking it into the victim and knocking her to the ground. Dixon then grabbed

the victims purse and fled out of the parking lot.

Jason Mikel Dixon, 32, of Ambassador Place, Knoxville, was charged with aggravated assault and robbery. Deputy John Wilson, LCSD made the arrest.

### Police Beat

Bernardo Padilla-Garcia, 26, of E. 3rd

Avenue, Lenoir City, was charged with DUI, leaving the scene of property damage and driving without a license.

According to the report, Officer Jamie Whitt, LCPD received a call on a possible drunk driver. The suspect vehicle then hit the complainant in the rear at G Street and Broadway. The subject then put his vehicle in reverse and sped down Broadway and cut down N Street.

The subject fled to a residence on F Street, did not have a license and smelled of an alcoholic beverage on his person.

Padilla registered .17% on the intoximeter at the jail.

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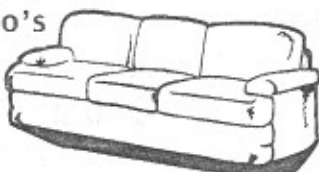
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## Police Beat

Kevin E. McMillian, 28, of Lee Shirley Road, Greenback, was charged with driving on suspended and poss. of drug paraphernalia.

According to the report, Sgt. Billy Hall, LCSD stopped a maroon vehicle for speeding. A check of McMillian's license showed them to be suspended for failure to pay a citation.

A search of the subject produced a pill bottle with a razor blade used to cut pills, a hose clamp used to crush pills and a straw used to snort pills. Sgt. Billy Hall, LCSD made the arrest.

Juan Carlos Perez-Espinoza, 22, of E.2nd Avenue, Lenoir city was charged with no driver's license, speeding and no proof

of insurance. According to the report, Officer Jeremy Dishner,

LCSD stopped a vehicle for speeding and a check showed

Juan to be unlicensed and he has no insurance either.

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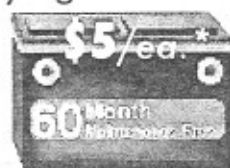
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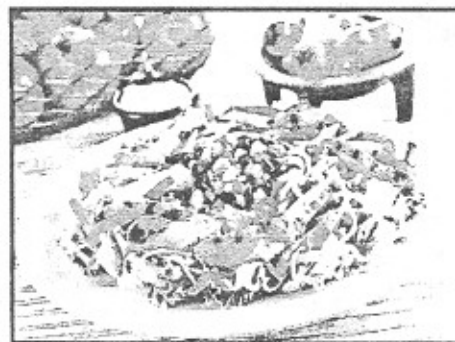
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## Father charged with harassment

Like father like son, Loudon County woman's minor daughter. According to the warrant, filed by the

victim, she stated that starting around October 18, 2007 the victim's daughter has received numerous calls from Steve

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minor daughter have asked Hamblen to stop calling and the victim has also spoken with investigators and filed several police reports but Hamblen continues to call and continues to leave vulgar and threatening messages.

Steve Matt Hamblen, 41, of Alfred Street, Athens, was charged with harassment. Deputy Bryan Blakney LCSD made the arrest at the McMinn County Jail.

### Police Beat

Jimmy Michael Gibson, 57, of White Wing Road, Lenoir City was charged with DUI 1st and implied consent.

According to the report, Officer Jason Butler, LCPD observed

Jimmy Gibson failed to maintain lane control and stopped him. Gibson had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his breath and was extremely unsteady on his feet.

Gibson refused a BAC test as well. Officer Jason Butler, LCPD made the arrest.

Richard Lloyd Mason, 24, of Spring Street, Philadelphia, was charged with driving on revoked.

According to the report, Investigator Charles Cosner, LCSD CID observed a small red truck spinning the tires and stopped him.

Mason was the driver and was found to have a revoked license.

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Steve Matt Hamblen

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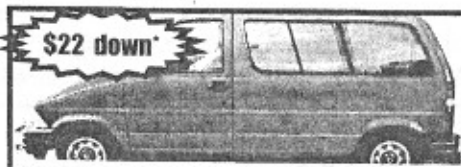
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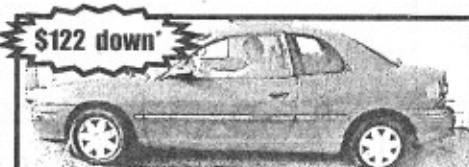
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## Shot

On Thursday morning at approximately 7:33am officers received a call of a red stolen vehicle from

Shot's Trading Post on E. Broadway. The suspect was seen by off duty Corporal Pete McGinley, LCSD and officers from LCPD were able to get the man stopped after he struck a vehicle and kept going and was stopped after being blocked by LCPD and LCSD at I Street. The suspect jumped out of the truck and ran on foot. He didn't make it far though; Officer Mark Maxwell, LCPD and a deputy from LCSD apprehended the man



Miller

after a short chase. The suspect was identified as Zacharey Charles Miller, 22, of Michigan.

Zacharey Charles Miller, 22, of Devonshire, Southfield, MI was charged with theft over \$10,000 and leav-

ing the scene of an accident. Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.

The victim, Shot Wil-son told the Daily Edition he and his wife Sharon wanted to personally thank Lenoir

City Police Department and the Loudon County Sheriff's Department for their quick response and immediate recovery of his truck.

*Editor: If you are going to steal a truck it sure isn't smart to take one that everybody knows.*



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Why did they behave this way?

Look for answer in Monday's Edition

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## Fishing with Gus

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I have learned a valuable lesson about moving. See, I had my most prized possessions (fishing poles) and I didn't want anything bad to happen to them, so I brought them to the new house first, which put them at the back of the pile of stuff when we finally got everything moved.

I went down to Toad's and borrowed a pole to have in the truck, just to keep me from going into

total withdrawal. Last weekend Toad let me tow his boat around the parking lot and I also got to hold a catfish that someone else had caught.

Thank God for friends. If not for them I would have had to check myself into a rehab clinic or one of those intervention people would have been at my door. Since I am cured now, I am working on a fishing and hunting hotline. Nobody should have to go through that alone. -Gus

## LC street racer busted

Robert Eugene Russell Jr., 20, of Honeysuckle Hills, Lenoir City was charged with reckless driving.

According to the report, Deputy Daniel Kelly LCSD was re-

sponding to the interstate where the complainant had called and stated two little red cars had gotten on the interstate and were racing each other. While looking for the vehicle the deputy was advised by dispatch that LCPD observed two red cars exit the interstate and pull into the Waffle House. The deputy advised dispatch to have the complainant pull to the business also.

Upon pulling into the Waffle House the officer saw two red cars in the parking lot. City Officer Nathan Wilson was there as well as Corporal Pete McGinley, LCSD. The two drivers of the vehicle were inside the business with their girlfriends.

The complainant arrived and wrote out a

statement about what happened on the interstate. Corporal McGinley had the two drivers step outside. Both drivers said they had no idea what they were talking about. Both subjects were taken into custody. Mr. Russell later signed a waiver and admitted what he did was wrong and then wrote a statement as to what happened.

There was not a report on the other driver.

## Police Beat

Romeo Vasquez Pinto, 33, of 4th Street, Cleveland, was charged with VOP.

According to the affidavit, Pinto was convicted of driving without a license 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 \$167; failed to pay supervision fees, owes \$112.50; failed to respond to notices; and failed to provide current address.

Deputy Rob Lane, LCSD made the arrest at the Bradley County Jail.

Jose Antonio Cisneros, 18, of Halls Ferry Road, Lenoir City was charged with no drivers license, speeding and financial resp.

According to the report, Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD stopped Cisneros for speeding. A check showed him to be unlicensed and he has no insurance.

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## Local author publishes book

Local Author Rhonda Noble's book *On a Rainy Day*, released late September, continues to get positive responses from it's readers. "Not a day goes by without someone contacting me by phone, email or leaving me a message on my Web site wanting to either tell me how much they liked the book or asking how to buy it," said Noble. "It's a great feeling and very exciting. I always have copies available for sale, or they can be ordered online at almost any place that sells books," she added. "If someone wants an autographed copy, it might be easier for them to buy it from



Local Author Rhonda Noble

me or they can always buy it online and bring it to a signing," she said.

Several book signings have already been held and according to Noble, more are in the process. "The signings are awesome," said Noble. "Writing the book and having a publishing company

pick it up was unbelievable enough, but to actually spend time talking to others who have read your work and want to read more...that feeling is indescribable.

"A few weeks ago I did a signing at the Sweetwater Public Library and a lady came in to get her copy autographed," said Noble. "She mentioned she had left a review of my book on Amazon and I couldn't wait to get home to read it. It was a great review."

Currently, Noble is busy with the second book of what will be a three-book series. "On a Rainy Day is about a woman named Catherine," explains Noble. "She has two sisters and the next two books will be about the lives of those sisters. Al-

though intertwined, the books will be written to stand alone in that a reader doesn't have to purchase all three books to get a complete story. But if they do, they will have traveled throughout the lives of these women with all of their ups and downs. I hope to have *Leaves in Fall* in circulation in

the spring of 2008 and *Roses in Winter* available by next winter," she said.

"The biggest thing for me when I began writing was to write believable stories," Noble said. "I believe I have done just that."

Rhonda Noble can be reached by phone at (865) 988-5109, email at: noble7@charter.net, or for more information about the book visit the Web site at [www.freewebs.com/rhondanoble](http://www.freewebs.com/rhondanoble).



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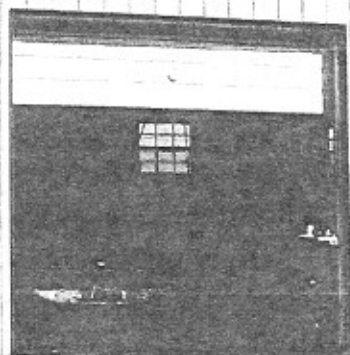
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Sgt. Billy Hall, LCSD Narcotics Division and Officer Jason Butler, LCPD stopped a 2008 Dodge Avenger for speeding on I-75 north at the 81 mile marker. The officers made contact with the driver, identified as Shawn Waller. While talking with the driver the officers could smell an odor of marijuana emitting from the vehicle. The passenger, Jason Ware stated he had smoked some marijuana in the vehicle.

K9 Draga was deployed and she alerted on the vehicle in the area of the drivers door seam. The K9 was placed inside the vehicle and she alerted in the area of the passenger side floor under the dash. While searching the area behind the glovebox the officers discovered a plastic bag containing approximately 6.5 ounces of crack cocaine

hidden behind the glove box. The driver and passenger both denied ownership of the drugs and were charged.

The effort put forth by both officers was exemplary and the stop was handled extremely well by both Sgt. Hall and Officer Butler.

Shawn Donne Waller, 27, of Glenn Ridge Drive Atlanta, and Jason Lamont Ware, 26, of Creekwood Drive, Roswell, GA were charged with possession of crack cocaine, schedule II, for resale. Sgt. Billy Hall and Officer Jason Butler made the arrests.

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## THP joins Tri-state traffic safety initiative for upcoming holiday

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The Tri-state initiative, "Take Back Our Highways," will place all available law enforcement officers, including administrative members, on patrol

duty during the intensive highway safety effort for the entire Thanksgiving week of November 19-25.

"The goal of this effort is saving lives," said Governor Phil Bredesen. "The safety of Tennesseans and those who travel through our state is paramount, and I urge all those traveling during the Thanksgiving holiday period to obey the laws designed to keep them safe."

In announcing the safety enforcement initiative at joint news conferences in Nash-

ville, Montgomery, AL, and Jackson, MS, Colonel Mike Walker stated, "The public can expect to see a marked increase in the number of law enforcement officers on the road and more citations issued for primary traffic violations." Walker added, "We believe the rigorous enforcement is worth the effort."

Colonel J. Christopher Murphy, Director of the Alabama Department of Public Safety, and Colonel Michael Berthay, Director of the Mississippi Highway Patrol, joined Colonel Walker during stops in Nashville, Montgomery and Jackson.

"Every time you get behind the wheel, you should buckle up, obey the speed limit and pay close attention to driving safely," stressed Colonel Walker. "Refraining from drinking and driving is the first critical decision a driver should make to help prevent loss of life, serious injury and the high cost of being charged with DUI."

Throughout the Thanksgiving week, Tennessee State Troopers and law enforcement officers in all three states will target primary driving behaviors that contribute to death and serious injury crashes. These driving behaviors include speeding, DUI, driver inattention,

(see Initiative cont. pg. 13)

### Election Notice (t.c.a. 2-12-111A)

Loudon County will hold a County Primary Election February 5th, 2008

**Both the Democratic and Republican parties Offices to be Contested :**

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### Election Notice (t.c.a. 2-2-114a)

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### Public Notice Time Change for Meeting Lenoir City Council

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Lenoir City Council, will take place Monday, November 26, 2007 at City Hall, **however the time has been changed from 7:00pm to 6:00pm.**

Thank You,  
Matt Brookshire  
Mayor  
Lenoir City

### Public Notice

The Lenoir City Better Building Board will **NOT** meet Wednesday, November 21, 2007 at 4:00pm in the meeting room at City Hall. There are no properties scheduled to be heard.

## Initiative cont.

following too closely and failure to yield.

In Tennessee, Troopers will maintain an enhanced presence, and officers with local sheriff and police agencies will also take part in the initiative. During the busy Thanksgiving holiday weekend, the combined enforcement campaign will impose several stepped-up measures to reduce crashes and fatalities, including increased visibility, saturation patrols, and sobriety and driver license checkpoints. In conjunction with the Mississippi and Alabama Highway Patrols, THP will conduct sobriety checkpoints in counties that border the states as part of the increased holiday en-

forcement period.

The Tennessee Highway Patrol will utilize Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (S.T.E.P.) grant money to maximize enforcement efforts throughout the state. Throughout the holiday weekend, sobriety and driver license checkpoints are scheduled at various times in the state's eight THP districts. Troopers will be looking for impaired and unlicensed drivers, speeding vehicles, and motorists not wearing seat belts.

Twenty people were killed in crashes on Tennessee roads during the Thanksgiving weekend of 2006, yielding a death rate of one death every five hours and six minutes. That represents an increase from 17

fatalities in 2005 and 13 fatalities in 2004. There were 15 fatalities in 2003 and 17 in 2002.

During the 2006 holiday period, four (20 percent) of the fatalities occurred in alcohol-related crashes and 60 percent of the occupants in vehicle crashes were not wearing safety restraints. In the 20 fatal crashes in 2006, three motorcyclists were killed, one ATV operator and one pedestrian.

On Wednesday, November 21, as part of the special enforcement during the Thanksgiving holiday period, Tennessee will once again take part in the nationwide law enforcement campaign called "Operation Care". The nationwide campaign

will post a Trooper every ten miles the entire length of Interstate 40 from the east coast to the west coast. Members of the Tennessee Highway Patrol will participate in the campaign from 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 21, until 1:00 a.m., Thursday, November 22.

The 2007 Thanksgiving holiday period begins at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 21, and runs through midnight Sunday, November 25.

## Police Beat

Hannah R. Lawrence, 21, of Dogtown Road, Ten Mile, was charged with DUI, and speeding.

According to the report, Lawrence was stopped for speeding 86 m.p.h. in a 65

m.p.h. zone. Lawrence had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and could not stand for tests without falling over and stumbling.

Lawrence registered .16% on the intoximeter at the jail. Trooper Carey Hixson, THP made the arrest.

Saldana Raul Fernandez, 35, of Huntsville Hollow Road, Lenoir City was charged with no driver license.

According to the report, Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD stopped Fernandez because he knew he did not have a license.

Indeed, Fernandez was found to be unlicensed. Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.



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