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Tuesday, November 27, 2007

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## Narcotics team nabs man with weed for resale

Officer Jason Butler, LCPD and Investigator Adam Yokley, LCSD ND observed a black vehicle speeding on Old Hwy 95 and Kingston St in Lenoir City. The occupants of the vehicle were also not wearing seat belts. The traffic stop was located at the intersection of Myers Road and Town Creek Circle.

(see Hicks pg. 3)



Christopher Matthew Hicks

## 2nd DUI for bartender

Trooper Russell Smith, THP charged a local bartender following a traffic stop for speeding 93mph in a 65mph zone. The driver, Brandon A. Mize had an extreme odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and admitted to drinking heavily during the night prior to driving.

Mize could not perform  
(see Mize pg. 8)



Brandon A. Mize

## TTJC Fall Tournament



The TTJC Fall Tournament was held October 20 at the Pigeon Forge Community Center. The TTJC in Loudon (photo above) came home with trophies for everyone in different categories. Back row: (from left) Joe Hays, Sean Hibberd, Ashley Bennit, Justin Stephens, Farah Harold, Andrew Hays, Ted Harmon (received his 1st Black Belt), and Master W.M. Patterson. First row: (from left) Miranda Haycox, Jacob Collier, Zack Smith, Agust Schoenerr, and Ashley Wheeler.

## Bear season opens November 29

Tennessee's 2007 black bear hunting season opens on November 29 and continues through December (see Season pg. 3)

## Woman accused of assault, vandalism

A local woman was taken into custody when she reportedly assaulted a Loudon man and vandalized his motorcycle after she became (see Gibson pg. 4)

## Theft of property

Police were called to a local residence when a Knoxville woman discovered someone removed the air conditioning unit from her property and entered through the opening where they stole (see Theft pg. 7)

## Car stolen from dealership

Police were called to Loudon County auto dealership when the owner was notified of damage to the property and upon checking discovered someone had stolen a car.

(see Stolen pg. 9)

### Verse of the day

Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I am the Lord.

Ezekiel 38:23

### Obituaries

Guinevere Brown Johnson  
Minnie Pearl Wilkerson  
Dennison B. (Slick) Felty

### Weather:

Today: Patchy morning drizzle possible. Decreasing cloudiness. High 54.  
Tonight: Clear skies. Low

around 30.

Wednesday: Mainly sunny.  
High around 60.

### Wazzup

Happy Birthday, Mamaw Greenlee! Love You!

Happy belated Birthday, Kayla M., hope it was

great!

### Horoscopes Sagittarius

(Nov 23-Dec 21)

You're not entirely sure what's going on with that new romance, job or op-

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

## Hicks

During the course of checking license status and for warrants, Sgt. Billy Hall, LCSD ND deployed K9 Draga around the vehicle. Sgt. Hall advised the K9 alerted to the vehicle. A search of the vehicle and the occupants was conducted. Officer Butler found a plastic bag

of a green leafy substance believed to be marijuana and weighing approximately 50 grams in the right shoe of Christopher Hicks, who was the passenger in the vehicle. Hicks was placed under arrest and charged.

Christopher Matthew Hicks, 24, of Grubb Road, Lenoir City was charged with

possession of schedule VI for resale. Investigator Adam Yokley LCSD ND made the arrest.

## Police Beat

Freddie Eugene McMahan, 45, of Trigon Road, Greenback, was charged with VOP.

According to the affidavit, McMahan was convicted of vandalism, disorderly con-

duct, theft, theft under \$500, and reckless burning and was sentenced to probation for 11 months 29 days x2.

Since then he has failed to report to probation officer; failed to pay costs/fines, owes \$6021.50; failed to pay supervision fees, owes \$205; failed to respond to notices

and was arrested on new charge(s).

Deputy Chad Petty, LCSD made the arrest.

Andrew David Lentini, 23, of Mellisa Drive, Lenoir City was charged with driving on suspended.

According to the report, Sgt. Jimmey Wiggins, LCSD observed a black vehicle on Hwy 11 with a non-working taillight on the passenger side.

The officer stopped the vehicle and the driver, Lentini was found to have a suspended license for failure to pay a citation. Sgt. Jimmey Wiggins, LCSD made the arrest.

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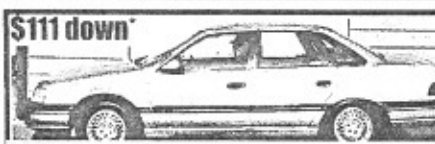
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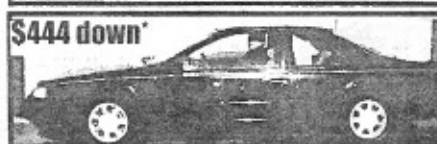
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## Gibson

angry with him while they were visiting.

Shannon Hairston Gibson, 31, of Llewellyn Lane, Loudon, was charged with assault by domestic violence.

According to the report, Officer Bennie Houser, LPD was dispatched to Llewellyn Lane for a possible domestic disturbance. Upon arrival the officer made contact with Ms. Gibson. The victim had scratches on both sides of his face and neck and was bleeding on the left side of his face. The victim stated he and Shannon were having a good time when she got angry with him.

The victim stated

she then started scratching him on his face and she then went into the garage and pushed his motorcycle over breaking the windshield. Miss Gibson had left and her father picked her up and took her to Steekee St. where Officer Houser made contact with her. She stated she did scratch the victims face and did push the motorcycle over. Officer Bennie Houser, LPD made the arrest.

## Police Beat

Ulises Rangel Cortez, 21, of Thomas St. Philadelphia, was charged with no driver license, financial responsibility, and window tint.

According to the report, Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD

stopped a vehicle for a window tint violation and the driver; Mr. Cortez has no license or insurance. Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.

Terry Collier, Jr., 21, of East Central Street, Sweetwater, was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Olwin Norman, LCSD made the arrest.

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## Theft

her refrigerator.

According to reports, Deputy Daniel Kelly, LCSD, responded to a resi-

dence along Mayo Road where he spoke with Becky Bird who advised someone took out an air condition unit and crawled

inside the residence where they stole a stainless steel refrigerator.

The thieves also stole the air conditioner.

A suspect was identified to police. The loss was valued at \$2000.

## Police Beat

Lorenzo Robles, 25, of Commerce St., Loudon, was charged with driving without a license.

According to the report, Officer Bennie Houser, LPD observed a black vehicle on Maremont Parkway speeding 46mph in a 30mph zone and stopped it.

After stopping the vehicle the driver, Mr. Robles was found to

have no license. Officer Bennie Houser, LPD made the arrest.

Epifanio Obispo Lopez, 41, of C Street, Lenoir City was charged with driving without a license.

According to the report, Deputy Brandon Dixon, LCSD stopped a green vehicle for following too close and issued a citation.

Lopez could not produce a license and was found to be unlicensed. Deputy Brandon Dixon, LCSD made the arrest.

Jacobo Mendez Torres, 22, of Fir Ct., Maryville, was

charged with no driver license, financial responsibility and anti noise (loud muffler).

According to the report, Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD stopped Torres for a loud muffler on Broadway.

Torres was found to have no license and no insurance. Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.

Med Aaron Thompson Jr., 58, of Corydon Road, Knoxville, was charged with a criminal court capias for failure to appear to answer to the charge of DUI.

Deputy Littleton, LCSD made the arrest.

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## Mize

sobriety tasks and was charged. A check of his license showed them to be revoked with two prior suspended license convictions.

Mize registered .19% on the intoximeter at the jail.

Brandon A. Mize, 24, of Turman Drive, Lenoir City was charged with DUI 2nd, driving on revoked/suspended 3rd and speeding. Trooper Russell Smith THP made the arrest.

## Season

12, according to the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA).

This season is open in Blount, Carter, Cocke, Greene, Johnson, Monroe, Polk (east of Hwy. 411 and north of Hwy. 64), Sevier, Sullivan, Unicoi, and Washington counties. Dogs are permitted to be used for hunting during this season.

Hunters have harvested a total of 126 bears during the early bear hunting seasons this year. Harvest by county has been: Blount 10, Carter 8, Cocke 15, Greene 8,

Johnson 7, Monroe 28, Polk 16, Sevier 15, Sullivan 5, Unicoi 10 and Washington 4.

In addition to the private lands in these counties, there are several hundred thousand acres of public land open to bear hunters during this season. These lands are included in the Cherokee and Foothills wildlife management areas (WMA). There are portions of the Cherokee WMA that are set aside as bear reserves where no bear hunting is allowed. Hunters should check for descriptions of these restricted areas on pages 64 & 65 of the hunting guide.

Hunters should be aware of the following regulations when hunting black bears in Tennessee:

- \* The limit on bear for any person participating in statewide or WMA hunts or both shall not exceed one bear per calendar year.

- \* Cubs or female bears with cubs at side may not be taken at any time. A cub is defined as a bear weighing 75 pounds or less.

- \* Bears may be whole or field dressed but must weigh 75 pounds or greater when checked out.

- \* The reproductive (sex) organs must remain attached to each bear harvested until

the bear has been officially checked out at an official TWRA checking station.

For detailed information about black bear hunting in Tennessee refer to the 2007 Tennessee Hunting and

Trapping Guide.

## Police Beat

Paul Eddie Garner, 34, of Smokey Drive Loudon, was charged with a mittimus.

Deputy Mike Williams, LCSD made the arrest.



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## Stolen

According to records, Randy McNabb of Imports and More, Highway 11, told Deputy Daryl Smith, LCSD, a citizen who lives near the business called him and told him some security posts he had placed on the premises were damaged.

McNabb said he went to check out the situation and discovered a red, 1995 Honda Civic DX two-door

hatchback missing.

McNabb further reported the larceny occurred sometime between 4:00 p.m. Friday and 9:00 a.m. Saturday.

The loss was valued at \$4450.

## Stupid Criminals

**Yankton, South Dakota:** A woman was arrested at her stepson's Boy Scout meeting. While watching a policeman demonstrate his drug dog's ability, the dog found a bag of grass in her purse.

**San Francisco:** A man, wanting to rob a downtown Bank of America, walked into the branch and wrote "this iz a stikkup. Put all your munny in this bag." While standing in line, waiting to give his note to the teller, he began to worry that someone had seen him write the note and might

call the police before he reached the teller window. So he left the Bank of America and crossed the street to Wells Fargo. After waiting a few minutes in line, he handed his note to the Wells Fargo teller. She read it and, surmising from his spelling errors that he was not the brightest light in the harbor, told him that she could not accept his stickup note because it was written on a Bank of America deposit slip and that he would either have to fill out a Wells Fargo deposit slip or go back to Bank of America. Looking somewhat defeated, the man said "OK" and left. The Wells Fargo teller then called the police who arrested the man a few minutes later, as he was waiting in line back at Bank of America.

*A Charlotte, NC, man*

having purchased a case of very rare, very expensive cigars, insured them against fire among other things. Within a month, having smoked his entire stockpile of cigars and without having made even his first premium payment on the policy, the man filed a claim against the insurance company. In his claim, the man stated the cigars were lost "in a series of small fires." The insurance company refused to pay, citing the obvious reason that the man had consumed the cigars in the normal fashion. The man sued... and won. In delivering the ruling the judge agreeing that the claim was frivolous, stated nevertheless that the man held a policy from the company in which it had warranted that

the cigars were insurable and also guaranteed that it would insure against fire, without defining what it considered to be "unacceptable fire," and was obligated to pay the claim. Rather than endure a lengthy and costly appeal process the insurance company accepted the ruling and paid the man \$15,000 for the rare cigars he lost in "the fires." After the man cashed the check, however, the company had him arrested on 24 counts of arson. With his own insurance claim and testimony from the previous case being used against him, the man was convicted of intentionally burning his insured property and sentenced to 24 months in jail and a \$24,000 fine.

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