

DAILY EDITION

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Tuesday, December 11, 2007

"I'm here to buy crack," says fleeing DUI driver

Deputy Brad Rayfield, LCSD observed a white Chevy Camaro with extremely dim tail lights turn onto Riverview Road off Industrial Park Dr. the vehicle then turned onto Newton Road and the officer tried to get close to the vehicle to read the registration for investigation of a possible reason for being in a high drug

(see Fifield pg. 3)



Kevin James Fifield

Shoplifter nabbed

Police arrested an Athens woman after she allegedly failed to pay for several items she had concealed while making a purchase at a local pharmacy department.

(see Cline pg. 7)

Portland resident David Sims honored as Wildlife Biologist of the Year

Nashville, - David Sims has been named the 2007 Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency Wildlife Biologist of the Year. Sims was presented his award at the November meeting of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission.

Sims, a resident of Portland, serves TWRA

(see Biologist pg. 9)



David Sims and Director Myers

Verse of the day

A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels: Proverbs 1:5

Obituaries

Mildred DeWitt Hicks

Francis O. Polhamus
Robert Lynn Yount
Sherard Austin (Tiny) Tatum Jr.

Weather:

Today: Partly cloudy. Record high temperatures expected. High 74.

Tonight: A few clouds from time to time. Low 53.

Loudon County welcomes 2 new Troopers

(see Troopers pg. 8)

Cadet Class 1207 adds 43 new Troopers to the Highway Patrol



Trooper Phillip Wagner



Trooper Eric Miller

Hit and run driver charged

Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD received a call to Walmart in reference to a hit and run. While gathering information witnesses reported the tag number to the officer. The tag number came back to Robert Eugene Keith, Jr. While talking to Keith a week later he stated he did not see any damage to he left the

(see Keith pg. 4)



Robert Eugene Keith, Jr.

Pawned item leads to arrest

A young Lenoir city man was charged after he report-

edly pawned a DVD player that did not belong to him.

(see Smallen pg. 7)

Wednesday: Times of sun and clouds. Highs: low 70s; Lows: upper 50s.

Wazzup

Great food, Arby's; it's just a shame the cashier working Friday night hates his job so much.

Thanks for a wonderful evening, Sandi & James!

Horoscopes Sagittarius

(Nov 23-Dec 21)

You're feeling rather thoughtful now and might find that you're rethinking a few of your older or more

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Fifield

rate area. At that time the vehicle turned right onto Highland Avenue and started running at a high rate of speed to get away and the officer activated his lights and siren to try to get the vehicle to stop.

The vehicle ran at an extreme high rate of speed down High-

land and turned on Industrial Park running the stop sign without slowing and onto Hwy 11 almost hitting and approaching vehicle again running the stop sign at a high rate of speed.

The vehicle then turned right onto Browder Hollow at a high rate of speed and turned the lights out.

With the lights out, the driver evaded down Browder Hollow at a high rate of speed and finally pulled over and stopped and at that time put both hands out the window as if he was giving up.

The driver, Kevin James Fifield, was placed into custody.

Mr. Fifield was asked why he was in the area and he ad-

vised "he was there to buy crack." Mr. Fifield advised he had about six beers and some Captain Morgan to drink.

Mr. Fifield smelled strongly of an alcoholic beverage, had very slurred speech and performed poorly on sobriety tasks.

A check showed Fifield to be unlicensed

and he refused a BAC test.

Kevin James Fifield, 25, of Executive Meadows, Lenoir City was charged with DUI 1st, felony evading, felony reckless endangerment, driving without a license and violation of implied consent. Deputy Brad Rayfield, LCSD made the arrest.

Police Beat

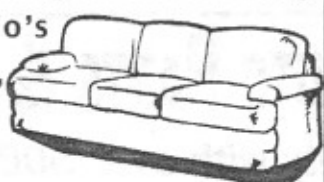
Joe Michael Robison, 27, of Carding Machine Road, Loudon, was charged with bond revoked on burglary and bond revoked on theft under \$500.

Deputy John Maples, LCSD made the arrest.

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Keith

scene. While checking his license it came as being suspended.

Robert Eugene Keith, Jr., 39, of Antioch Church Road, Lenoir City was charged with leaving the scene of an accident. Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.

Police Beat

Harold Orzell Hawkins, 45, of Cedar St., Loudon, was

charged with VOP.

According to the affidavit, Hawkins was convicted of DUI 1st 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 \$1170; failed to pay supervision fees, owes \$975; and failed to attend DUI school.

Deputy Mike Williams, LCSD made the

arrest.

John Darren James, 37, of Honeysuckle Hills, Loudon, was charged with driving on suspended.

According to the report, Officer Brendan Deboer, LPD observed a green vehicle driving through the alley on Commerce St. behind the laundry mat. The vehicle came to a stop and the officer approached the vehicle.

The driver Mr. James stated his license was suspended and this was confirmed through dispatch. Officer Brendan Deboer, LPD made the arrest.

Brenda Michelle Marsh, 23, of W 3rd Avenue, Lenoir City, was charged with driving on revoked.

According to report, Officer Jason Butler, LCPD observed Marsh operating a

vehicle that failed to stop at a stop sign and was found to have a revoked license. Officer Jason Butler, LCPD made the arrest.

Cathy Deann Proaps, 31, of Hwy 321, Lenoir City, was charged with a capias/bench warrant out of criminal court for failure to pay.

Deputy Mike Williams, LCSD made the arrest.



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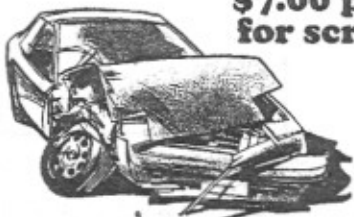
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Cline

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Selena Rose Cline, 47, of Miami St., Athens, was charged with theft under \$500. According to the report, Ms. Cline was observed selecting and concealing various items in different departments at Wal Mart.

Cline proceeded to the pharmacy where

she paid for 2 items, but failed to pay for the concealed items and then tried to exit the store through the garden center and was stopped after passing all points of sale.

Officer Jason Butler, LCPD made the arrest.

Smallen

William Elia Smallen, 18, of Ash Avenue, Lenoir City, was

charged with theft under \$500.

According to the warrant, filed by Investigator Jack Fine, LCPD; on the 4th day of December 2007, Smallen was in possession of a Magnavox DVD Player, and did take the DVD player to a pawnshop in Knoxville to sell without the owner's permission or knowledge.

Officer Jason Butler, LCPD made the arrest.

Police Beat

Steven Franklin Potter, 21, of Oakland Road, Loudon, was charged with DUI 1st.

According to the report, Officer Brendan Deboer, LPD observed a black pickup traveling at a high rate of speed on Mulberry St. and stopped it. The driver, Potter, had an odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and performed poorly on sobriety tasks.

Potter registered .12% on the intoximeter at the jail. Officer Brendan Deboer, LPD made the arrest.

William M. Harvey, 31, of Wilson Road, Lenoir City, was charged with DUI 1st, implied consent and financial responsibility.

According to the report, Trooper Russell Smith, THP stopped Harvey for a light law violation. Harvey had slurred speech and admitted to taking methadone earlier in the day.

Harvey was unsteady on his feet and performed poorly on sobriety tasks. He also refused a BAC test. Trooper Russell Smith, THP made the arrest.

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Troopers

Nashville, -The Tennessee Department of Safety is proud to announce the addition of 43 Troopers to the Highway Patrol. Graduation ceremonies were held Friday morning for Trooper Cadet Class 1207 at Two Rivers Baptist Church located, at 2800 McGavock Drive in Nashville.

Members of Cadet Class 1207 have spent the past 19 weeks undergoing extensive law enforcement training at the THP Training Center. The more than 850 hours of classroom training is divided into 12 major categories that include criminal and constitutional law, patrol procedures, professional ethical conduct and firearms. The new graduates will now advance to a minimum of eight weeks of field training.

"Men and women who serve in law enforcement are passionately devoted to a profession that is more of a calling than a vocation," Commissioner Mitchell said. "These new Tennes-

see State Troopers will go where others fear to go, putting the safety of the community first."

More than half of the Cadets in Class 1207 have previous law enforcement experience, and 20 were members of the military. This is the first class to attend the Center for Domestic Preparedness in Anniston, Alabama. CDP serves as a training facility that prepares state and local emergency responders to deal with chemical, biological and nuclear terrorist acts and handle incidents dealing with hazardous materials.

During training, all the Cadets also took time to participate in a blood drive for the American Red Cross, as well as a community outreach program established with the Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt. Several members of the class visited children at the hospital and handed out Trooper hats and badges.

"I am proud of each of these 43 new Troopers. Each one of them represents what the

Tennessee Highway Patrol stands for: professionalism, integrity and pride," stated Colonel Mike Walker, who also gave the keynote address. "I hope you carry forward this community-minded approach as you go out and serve the public."

During the ceremony, Trooper Steven Becker was presented with the Calvin Jenks Memorial Award for Excellence after being named the top Cadet in the class. This is the first time the award has been presented since being re-

named in honor of the late Trooper Jenks, who was killed in the line of duty in January. Trooper Becker was selected as top Cadet by THP instructors for his leadership, work ethic and academics. He is assigned to Houston County, which is in the Nashville, District 3.

Friday's exercise included a procession of graduates, THP Honor Guard and the Oath of Office by Commissioner Mitchell.

The Tennessee Department of Safety's mission is (www.ten-

[nessee.gov/safety](http://www.tennessee.gov/safety)) to ensure the safety and general welfare of the public. The department encompasses the Tennessee Highway Patrol, Office of Homeland Security and Driver License Services. General areas of responsibility include law enforcement, safety education, motorist services and terrorism prevention.

Police Beat

Matthew Lynn Bradley, 18, homeless, was charged with an attachment out of juvenile court.

Officer Jason Butler, LCPD made the arrest.



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Biologist

as a Region II Aquatic Habitat Protection Biologist and throughout his career has been an effective and active advocate for stream and river habitat protection. His work stopped pollution from directional boring activities statewide and was adopted by other

resource agencies as a management model. Sims' underwater video work is widely recognized for excellence and innovation in documenting the life history, behavior, and ecological interaction of host fish, freshwater mussels, and aquatic habitat.

Sims has pulled together resources

and partnerships to renovate abandoned raceways at TVA's Gallatin Steam Plant to implement a TWRA freshwater mussel propagation rearing and safe harbor facility. The facility will play an essential role in conservation of Tennessee's globally significant freshwater mussel resource.

One of TWRA's most experienced raptor rescue and rehabilitation experts, Sims is always willing to assist the public or resource agencies with raptor related rescue projects.

Throughout his career, Sims has spent significant time with school programs, public interest meetings, county fairs, and watershed events to encourage aquatic

conservation. He has been active in utilizing TWRA's aircraft to provide aerial photography and video to document stream degradation from construction runoff, aquatic habitat alteration activities, wetlands destruction, and to co-ordinate response activities with state, federal, and conservation organizations.

Police Beat

Carlos Armando Cifuentes, 26, of Waller St., Lenoir city was charged with no driver license, and speeding.

According to the report, Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD stopped Carlos for speeding and found him to be unlicensed. Sgt. Eddie

Range, LCPD made the arrest.

Manuel Dimas Gonzalez, 23, of West Warrant Dr., Forest Park, GA, was charged with driving without a license.

According to the report, Sgt. Brian Jenkins stopped Gonzalez for a violation of registration and he was found to have no license. Sgt. Brian Jenkins, LCSD made the arrest.

Robert Eugene Russell, Jr., 20, of Honey-suckle Hills, Loudon, was charged with failure to appear on reckless driving charges.

Deputy Mike Williams, LCSD made the arrest.

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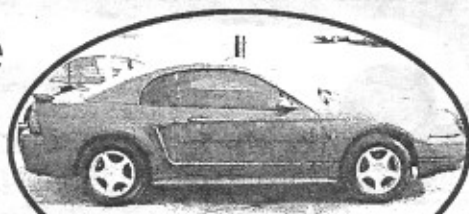
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