

DAILY EDITION

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Thursday, December 20, 2007

Mechanic needs to keep his tool to himself

A local mechanic was apprehended at the Goodwill in Lenoir City after he exposed himself in the store and was masturbating while watching the women in the store.

According to the report, an employee at Goodwill witnessed Michael James John Amble walking through the men's department watching women walking by while

(see Amble pg. 8)



Michael James John Amble

Stereo system stolen

A Lenoir City woman called authorities Sunday when she discovered someone stole the stereo and speakers from her vehicle while it was parked at another location.

Records indicate Deputy Daniel Kelly, LCSD, spoke with Belinda Raper of Highland Avenue who advised someone took the stereo from a 1990 Acura that was parked unlocked at a

(see Stolen pg. 7)

Appliances, tool set missing after locks changed

A local man called police Friday when he discovered items missing from a rental home he had just changed the locks on.

Springs Road reported he had been doing upkeep on a home along Highway 11 East because the resident had just moved out and he changed the locks Thursday

(see Missing pg. 3)

3rd DUI for LC man

Deputy Guy Wells, LCSD was dispatched to Hwy 70 and Hwy 321 to investigate a possible drunk driver. Dispatch advised the officer it was a black pickup with a confederate tag and a number 8 decal on it had just left the junction. The deputy found the vehicle and it took off at a high rate of speed and upon seeing the

(see Edwards pg. 3)



Floyd Joey Edwards

Windshield busted

A Philadelphia man called authorities Sunday when he discovered someone threw a bottle at the windshield on his vehicle and broke it.

According to reports, Thomas Freeman, Spring Street, told Deputy Mickey Patterson, LCSD, someone threw a beer bottle and

(see Windshield pg. 4)

Camper's shed burgled

Authorities were called to a local residence Sunday when a woman discovered someone broke into her shed and stole camping supplies.

According to reports, Deputy Daniel Kelly, LCSD,

(see Shed pg. 8)

TDOT & TDEC Sign Environmental Streamlining Agreement

Nashville, - The Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) on Tuesday signed a new pact designed

to establish a coordinated planning and development process for transportation projects. The goal of the Tennessee Environmental Streamlining Agreement is to ensure that the state's

(see Agreement pg. 9)

Verse of the day

God made two great lights—the larger one to govern the day, and the smaller one to govern the night. He also made the stars.

Genesis 1:16

Obituaries

Robert L. Brookshear, Jr.
Barchie Mae Goines Johnson
Lucille "Sissy" Callahan
Boyd Raymond Littleton

Weather:

Today: Mostly cloudy skies with a few showers later in the day. High near 55.

Tonight: Slight showers possible. Low around 40.

Friday: Considerable cloudiness. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the upper 30s.

Wazzup

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ence for our family!

Had a great time at school Tuesday, Braden Ritter!

Horoscopes Sagittarius

(Nov 23-Dec 21)

Kids play a prominent

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Edwards

patrol car pulled over and came to a stop. Mr. Edwards had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and was unsteady on his feet. Edwards performed poorly on sobriety tasks and was taken into custody.

Floyd Joey Edwards, 37, of Mealer

Road, Lenoir City was charged with DUI 3rd. Deputy Guy Wells, LCSD made the arrest.

Missing

night.

Deputy B. Dixon, LCSD, responded to the call and reported Smallen advised he went to the residence Friday morning and found it had been

broken into and a washer, dryer, and screwdriver set was gone.

The home belongs to a Florida woman and the renter who had just moved was identified to police as a possible suspect.

The value of the loss was estimated at \$520.

Mexican Wedding Cookies

Ingredients

2 C. flour

2 sticks cold butter, cut into pieces
1 3/4 C. powdered sugar
1 tbsp. vanilla extract

1/2 C. almonds
1/2 C. pecans
1 tsp. anise seeds

Cooking Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 325 degrees F
2. Grind almonds and pecans in food processor, then add butter and continue to

grind until smooth.

3. Add 1/4 c powdered sugar and vanilla, then mix again.

4. Add flour and anise seeds and grind mix until blended.

5. After flouring hands, roll the dough into small balls.

6. Place them about an inch apart on an ungreased cookie sheet.

7. Bake 15-20 minutes, or until brown on the bottom.

8. Cool for 15 minutes, then roll the still warm cookies in the rest of the powdered sugar.

9. Let cool again, then add more powdered sugar.

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Windshield

hit the windshield of his 1991 Chevy S-10, which busted the glass.

The incident reportedly occurred sometime overnight and the damage was valued at \$200.

Police Beat

Jose Anselmo Torres, of West Pine, Knoxville, was charged with driving without a license.

According to the

report, Officer Mike Hodges, LCPD observed a vehicle on Hwy 11 near Hwy 321 with a broken taillight and stopped it.

The driver, Mr. Torres has no license. Officer Mike Hodges, LCPD made the arrest.

Carlos Mendez, 24, of Kingston Pike, Knoxville, was charged with public intoxication and open

container.

According to the report, Officer Jason Butler, LCPD was assisting Officer Mike Hodges on a traffic stop when the front passenger, Carlos Mendez, was found to have an odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and also had 2 open beers in his possession.

Officer Jason Butler, LCPD made the arrest.

Nicholas Chandler Christian, 46, of E. Hwy 11, Lenoir City was charged with an attachment for con-

tempt.

Corporal Kami Galaba, LCSD made the arrest.

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Obituaries

Robert L. Brookshear, Jr., 83, of Philadelphia, died at his home Tuesday, December 18, 2007. Junior was a member of Reed Springs Baptist Church, veteran of U.S. Navy, W.W. II and retired employee of Viskase. Preceded in death by parents, Robert Brookshear, Sr. and Alice Townson Brookshear. Survivors: wife of 65 years, Madge Hensley Brookshear; son and daughter-in-law, Glen and Kathy Brookshear; sister, Mrs. Leon (Margaret) Bryant, all of Philadelphia; granddaughter, Kimberly Robinson; 3 great-grandchildren, Laetitia, Erik and Ashton; several cousins; special cousin, Bobby Brookshear and wife, Ann, Dalton, GA. Funeral services 7 p.m. Wednesday, Loudon Funeral Home Chapel, Rev. Jimmy Jackson officiating. Family and friends will meet at Reed Springs Cemetery 10:30 a.m. Thursday for graveside services. Military honors by Loudon County Veterans Honor Guard. Family will receive friends 5 - 7 p.m. Wednesday, Loudon Funeral Home.

Barchie Mae Goines Johnson, 74, of Sweetwater died Monday morning, December 17, 2007, in Cleveland, TN. Barchie was a member of Bethany Baptist Church and preceded in death by husband, Eugene Johnson; parents, James Bart and Fannie Moses Goines; brother, Danny Goines. Survivors: three children, James Walter Johnson, FL, Jackie Johnson and Janice Layman, Sweetwater; numerous grandchildren; one great-grandchild; brothers, Robert Goines, Madisonville, Eddie Goines, Johnny Goines, and Benny Goines, Sweetwater; sisters, Geneva Thurmond, Cleveland, Nona Lomas, Niota, and Patsy Fields, IN; nieces and nephews. Funeral services 1 p.m. Saturday, Loudon Funeral Home Chapel, Rev. Lewis Webb officiating. Inter-

ment West View Cemetery. Family will receive friends 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday prior to the funeral services at Loudon Funeral Home.

Lucille "Sissy" Callahan, age 83 of Lenoir City passed away Sunday, December 16, 2007 at her home. She was a member of Lenoir City First Church of Nazarene. Sissy was a retired L.P.N. She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Lawrence F. "Frank" Callahan; son, Danny Fontaine; parents, Lon and Belle (Davis) Jenkins; brothers, Curtis and "Buddy" Jenkins; sisters, Imogene Crisp and Mildred Hines; nephew, Tommy Robinson and nieces, Faye Mayo and Iralene Herron. Survived by granddaughter, Debbie Fontaine Stegall; step granddaughter, Christy Young; step great granddaughter, Lana Faith Young; also survived by step daughter, Betty Callahan Durham and husband, Roger and their children: Loretta Hulse, Jimmy McKinley, Richard McKinley, Tim McKinley, Kim Jernigan, Rhonda Deans and 13 step great-grandchildren; sister, Nellie Robinson of Lenoir City; nieces: Gail Morgan, Brenda Smucker, Lonnita Biggs, Peggy Tinnel and Donna Couey; nephews: Bud dy Jenkins, Don Crisp, Bill Crisp, Lynn Crisp and Chuck Jenkins; several great nieces and great nephews. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday and from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Thursday with funeral services to follow at 3:30 p.m. Thursday in the Click Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Ray Couey and Rev. David Smith officiating. Interment will follow in the Lenoir City Cemetery with her nephews serving as pallbearers. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to Lenoir City First Church of the Nazarene Building Fund. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is serving the Callahan family.

Boyd Raymond Littleton, age 65 of Lenoir City passed away Sunday, December 16, 2007. Raymond was of the Baptist faith. He was a former Lenoir City Police Officer. He was a truck driver and was recently retired from Y-12 Plant in Oak Ridge. Raymond served in the Army Reserve. He was preceded in death by his parents, Boyd and Ruth Littleton. Raymond is survived by his wife of 25 years, Sandra E. Littleton; step children, Tammy McCrary and Chris McCrary; step grandchildren, Cody and Brandon McCrary. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday with funeral services to follow at 8 p.m. in the Click Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. George Seay officiating. Family and friends will meet at the funeral home by 10:30 a.m. Thursday and proceed to Dogwood Cemetery for graveside services at 11 a.m. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is serving the Littleton family.

Police Beat

Ricky Eugene Meridith, 46, of Whaler St., Loudon, was charged with theft under \$500.

According to the report, Officer Brendan Deboer, LPD observed a green vehicle pull in front

of the bank on Grove St. A male exited the vehicle and grabbed three plastic bags containing recently delivered newspapers and was stopped.

Meridith reported he took three papers to look for a job and had been taking the papers for some time. Officer Brendan Deboer, LPD made the arrest.

Lucio Ramirez Vasquez, 34, of Houston Street, Lenoir City, was charged with no driver license, speeding and no insurance.

According to the report, Officer Darrell Butler, LCPD clocked a vehicle at 53mph in a 30mph zone and stopped it.

The driver, Mr. Vasquez was found to have no license and no insurance. Officer Darrell Butler, LCPD made the arrest before the illegal driver caused injury to someone.

Peanut Brittle

Ingredients

2 3/4 C. granulated

sugar

1/2 stick unsalted butter

2/3 C. water

1 1/2 C. lightly salted peanuts Introduction:

Packed with peanuts, this classic candy is both crunchy and melt-in-your-mouth delicious.

Step 1:

Grease and line a 9 x 13-inch pan with foil.

Step 2:

In a large, heavy saucepan over moderate heat, cook the sugar, butter, and water, stirring occasionally, until the mixture becomes a golden-brown syrup, about 25 minutes. Remove to a cool surface.

Step 3:

Stir in the peanuts and pour mixture into the pan, spreading the nuts evenly.

Step 4:

Let peanut brittle set and cool before breaking into bite-size pieces. It can be stored in an airtight container in a cool, dry place for up to 1 month.

Makes 45 pieces.

Total time: 1 hour.



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friend's residence located along Mountain View Road.

Raper described the stolen property as a Alpine CD player and a 12" sub woofer Wolfen Haag, all valued at \$600.

Scott Birchfield

Smith, 43, of New Hope Road, Philadelphia, was charged with DUI.

According to the report, Officer Dewayne Williams, LPD received a call of a reckless driver on Hwy 11 and the officer observed it cross over the center lane

several times and stopped it.

The driver, Mr. Smith had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and reported he had only drank two beers. Officer Dewayne Williams, LPD made the arrest.

The passenger, Jerry Daniel McMahan, 32, of Harris Road, Philadelphia, was charged with public intoxication.

McMahan reported he had drank several beers and a couple of mixed drinks. He performed poorly on sobriety tasks. Officer Dewayne Williams, LPD made the arrest.

Vaughn Raymond
McNew, 18, of Stee-
kee School Road.

Loudon, was charged with driving on suspended.

According to the report, Lt. Gillis Morgan, LCPD stopped a vehicle for crossing the centerline 2 times and the driver was found to have a suspended license.

Preparation time: 20 minutes.

Chilling time: 1 hour.

2 bottles (750 ml each) dry red wine (with or without alcohol, chilled)

2 C. fresh orange juice (chilled)

1/4 C. superfine
sugar

4 large peaches (2 pounds, peeled and thinly sliced)

2 medium-size, un-

peeled oranges (thinly sliced)

1 large unpeeled
lemon (thinly sliced)

1 C. club soda
(chilled)

2 tbsp. Spanish brandy (optional)

Makes about 2
quarts or 10 6-ounce
servings.

In a large pitcher, stir together the wine, juice, sugar, peaches, oranges, and lemon. Cover and refrigerate for at least 1 hour or overnight. To serve, stir in the club soda, plus the brandy if you wish. Pour into tall glasses filled with ice.

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Amble

he was masturbating. The witness then brought it to the attention of the store manager who confirmed the situation and then called police. The local mechanic was apprehended by LCPD.

Michael James John Amble, 43, of McGhee Blvd, Lenoir City, was charged with indecent exposure. Officer Dennis Guider, LCPD made the arrest.

Shed

responded to Highway 11 West where he spoke with Valerie Galloway who advised someone entered her shed and took several items of camping gear and some clothes.

The value of the loss was unknown at the time of the report.

Police Beat

Matthew Lee Becknell, 27, of Cedar Croft Circle, Knoxville, was charged with VOP.

According to the affidavit, Becknell was convicted of simple poss. and sentenced to probation for 11 months 29 days.

Since then he has failed to report to probation officer and pay fees, owes \$215; failed to pay costs/fines, owes \$697.50.

Sgt. Jimmey Wiggins, LCSD made the arrest.

Sausage and Apple Stuffing

2 sticks plus 3 tbsp. butter, divided
2 C. water

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2 lg. bags of your favorite dried cornbread stuffing mix

1 lb. pork sausage (not links)

1 lg. onion, diced

3 cloves garlic, minced

2 stalks celery, diced

1 tsp. dried thyme leaves

1 tsp. dried sage leaves

1 C. chopped walnuts

3 med. apples, cored, sliced

2 to 3 C. homemade giblet stock or low sodium canned chicken broth

In a large pot melt 2 sticks butter in water. When melted add dry cornbread stuffing stirring to incorporate liquid, set aside.

In a large saute pan set over medium-high heat melt 1 tablespoon butter and add sausage. With a wooden spoon break up sausage and saute until lightly browned and cooked through. Transfer sausage to paper towels to drain. In the same pan melt remaining butter and saute onions with the garlic, celery, thyme, and sage until onions are translucent and celery is crisp

tender. Add walnuts and saute for 1 minute. Add apples and saute for one minute more. Remove from heat. Combine cornbread stuffing with sauteed ingredients and stuff turkey. Roast turkey as usual.

Alternatively: fill a 10 by 15 by 2 inch pan with the stuffing, moisten with the giblet stock, and bake in a preheated 350 degree oven, covered with foil for 1 1/2 hour. Remove foil and bake until top is lightly browned, about 15 minutes more.

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Agreement

vital transportation improvements can be implemented without unnecessary delays, while protecting and enhancing the quality of Tennessee's environment.

"When I became Governor I made it clear that I expected an improved working relationship and better level of communication between the Department of Transportation and the Department of Environment and Conservation," Bredesen said. "This is essential to both the state's stewardship of the financial resources available for important projects and effective stewardship of our environment. This agreement signifies the continued commitment of both

departments toward those goals."

The joint agreement is modeled on similar documents that have been developed and successfully implemented in other states. The most significant improvement is the creation of "concurrency points." A concurrency point is a step within the project development process where TDOT will request formal concurrence from TDEC and other resource/regulatory agencies before proceeding with further development of the project.

"This agreement establishes a process for TDOT and TDEC to work together beginning at the earliest phase of a project," said TDOT Commissioner Gerald Nicely.

"This will allow us to more quickly identify and resolve environmental concerns."

"This new unified approach will improve the environmental permitting process by including the department, from the beginning, in issues that could impact our natural resources," added TDEC Commissioner Jim Fyke. "From now on, there should be no surprises in the permit application process, which will further improve permitting efficiency."

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The Environmental Streamlining Agreement will require concurrence from each of the signatory agencies at the following four stages of project development:

- * The determination of purpose and need for the project and potential project impact area

- * The development of project alternatives to be evaluated as part of the environmental review document

- * The draft of the environmental review

document

- * The selection of a preferred project alternative which will include proposed means of mitigating environmental impacts

With prior concurrence by each agency, the need and application for environmental permits should become an extension of earlier joint decisions. This, in turn, will facilitate the processing of these permits. The new approach is intended to achieve the timely and efficient identification, evaluation and resolution of environmental and regulatory issues.

TDOT is also working with several other resource and regulatory agencies to implement similar agreements by summer 2008.



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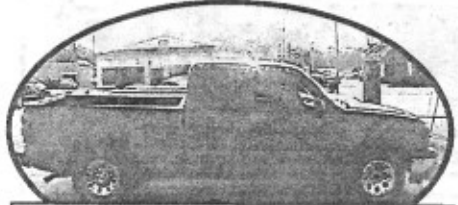
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