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Thursday, May 31, 2007

## LPD nabs duo with drugs for resale

(see Duo pg. 3)



Richard Joyce Boughton



Gary R. Sexton

## Man charged with nearly running over Sgt. Russell

A man who ran from Roane County Deputies in April and was apprehended in Lenoir City has been returned to face charges here after the man nearly ran over Sgt. Jeff Russell when he put spike strips out to stop the man.

According to the warrants, on April 22, 2007, Scott Jinright was fleeing from Roane County officers

(see Jinright pg. 7)



File Photo

Scott B. Jinright

## Checkpoint results

On May 25, 2007, the Lenoir City Police Department conducted a three hour Sobriety Checkpoint on Highway 321 at Simpson Road in Lenoir City. Officers

(see Results pg. 3)

## Tonight's Blue Moon

Tonight brings us the second of two full Moons for North Americans this month. Some almanacs and calendars assert that when two full Moons occur within a calendar month, that the second full Moon is called the "Blue Moon."

## Tellico man charged after trying to drag victim down steps

Officer Darrell Butler, LCPD took a Tellico Plains man into custody after he was involved in a domestic dispute on Depot Street in Lenoir City. The man was observed by the officer dragging the

(see Howard pg. 4)



Dennis Eugene Howard

The Moon will likely look no different than any other full Moon. But the Moon can change color in certain conditions.

After forest fires or volcanic eruptions, the Moon can appear to take on a bluish or even lavender hue. Soot

(see Blue Moon pg. 6)

## DUI+ in drive-thru

A local woman who recently was charged with driving on revoked license was again taken into custody when she allegedly visited a local restaurant's drive-thru while under the influence of alcohol.

Richelle S. Whisnant, 25, of Thorton Road, Lenoir City was charged with DUI 1st, driving on revoked, and viol. of implied consent.

(see DUI+ pg. 4)

## Man charged with DUI after crash

A Sweetwater man was taken into custody after being released from the hospital following a car crash that

occurred while he was under the influence of alcohol.

Joseph Alan Dunkin, 27, of Greenbriar Rd., Sweetwater, (see Crash pg. 4)

## Verse of the day

*Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. Deuteronomy 31:6*

## Obituaries

Gene Wheelock

## Weather:

Today: Partly to mostly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms developing during the afternoon. Warm. High 89.

Tonight: Isolated thunderstorms during the evening

hours. Skies will become partly cloudy overnight. Low 64.

Friday: Slight chance of a thunderstorm. Highs: low 90s; Lows: mid 60s.

## Wazzup

Happy Belated Birthday, Jonathan Sartin and Debbie Cook!

Hope you get to feeling better soon, Dakota!

## Horoscopes Gemini

(May 21-June 21)

The situation is so confusing that you're half con-

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

## Horoscopes

vinced walking away is the solution. But maybe you need to ask yourself a different question. Maybe it's not should you stay or should you go, but what should you do next?

### Cancer

(Jun 22-Jul 22)

Holding your ground is worth it, no matter how difficult it seems. Not only will your self-confidence grow, but you'll gain someone else's respect too. Remind yourself of what's at stake and your grip will get stronger.

### Leo

(Jul 23-Aug 23)

It's easy to be selfless under these current astrological influences. So why not take up that good cause you've been meaning to get to for ages? It will add a new dimension of satisfaction to your life.

### Virgo

(Aug 24-Sep 23)

You're always working hard on improving yourself. But what if that's not the point? You were put here on this earth to be the best you can be. As Dolly Parton once said, "Find out who you are; then do it on purpose."

### Libra

(Sept 24-Oct 23)

Ever hear the saying about cutting off your nose to spite your face? The stars say it's relevant right now. An action seems satisfying in the moment, but after a while, you'll see that it's your loss. Reconsider.

### Scorpio

(Oct 24-Nov 22)

You can understand

all these emotions on an analytical level, but to apply what you've learned, you need to process it using another, deeper type of understanding. Once the light dawns, it'll never fade.

### Sagittarius

(Nov 23-Dec 21)

It's time to go for the gusto. The more you hesitate, the more stymied you'll feel. Make your move now, or these once-clear waters will just get muddier with indecision. It's time to go ahead and take that leap of faith.

### Capricorn

(Dec 22-Jan 20)

A new situation in your workplace means that you'll have more flexibility and freedom, but a few old structures might have to be torn down first. Knowing that you'll come out on top eases the transition.

### Aquarius

(Jan 21-Feb 19)

Your instincts are dead on, especially when it comes to a few personal interactions. Yes, that person is being weird, and yes, there is a reason for it. You may not be able to act on your knowledge, but it's still there.

### Pisces

(Feb 20-Mar 20)

While current circumstances may not favor you right now, hang in there. You believe you'll be vindicated in the end, and you're right. Let that knowledge influence your behavior now. Be forgiving and compassionate.

## Aries

(Mar 21-Apr 20)

A judicious dose of charm disarms a potential aggravation. Now, this may feel strange at first -- you're used to shooting straight from the hip -- but once you see the results, you'll see that this method has potential.

## Taurus

(Apr 21-May 20)

You already have everything you need to succeed. Remember that fact when you're faced with a task you think is be-

yond your abilities. Start questioning old assumptions about what you can and can't do.

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## Duo

Officer Samuel Harrison, LPD observed a Nissan pickup driving erratically and crossing the center lines while traveling east on Hwy 72 at Steekee Street in the city of Loudon.

Upon stopping the vehicle the officer immediately detected the odor of an alcoholic beverage com-

ing from within the passenger compartment.

The driver, Richard Joyce Boughton, advised he had only drank one beer. Boughton had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage about his person and was unsteady on his feet. He performed poorly on sobriety tasks and was found to have a suspended

license. The only passenger in the vehicle was identified as Gary Sexton.

A search of the vehicle revealed approximately 5.1 ounces of a green leafy substance believed to be marijuana hidden behind the interior bench seat on the passenger side. Both subjects were charged.

Richard Joyce Boughton, 52, of Isabella Circle, Knoxville, was charged with DUI 1st, driving while sus-

pended, and felony poss. of marijuana.

Gary R. Sexton, 31, of Oak Ridge Hwy, Knoxville, was charged with felony poss. of marijuana. Officer Samuel Harrison, LPD made the arrests.

## Results

checked 916 of the 1055 vehicles that passed through the checkpoint.

During this checkpoint nine citations were issued.

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fenses and made one arrest for DUI.

## Police Beat

Lawrence Mark Lattina, 45, of W. Cumberland St, Alcoa, was charged with a bad check.

According to the report, Lattina wrote a check to Ingle's for \$164.25 that was returned NSF.

Deputy Daniel Ferguson LCSD made the arrest.

James Paul Wilson, 43, of Mayhill St, Sweetwater, was charged with failure to appear on VOP.

Deputy Daniel Ferguson LCSD made the arrest.

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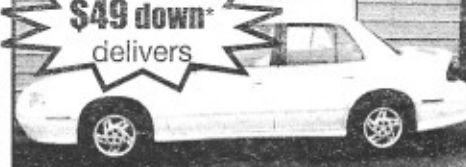
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## Howard

female victim out a door and attempting to drag her down some steps.

According to the report, Officer Butler observed Dennis Eugene Howard involved in a domestic on Depot Street and observed Howard dragging a white female out a door and attempting to drag her down some steps.

Howard was placed under arrest for domestic violence and on searching him the officer found a small derringer handgun, loaded, in his right front pocket.

Dennis Eugene Howard, 33, of Rafter Road, Tellico Plains, was charged with assault by domestic violence and poss. of a firearm with the intent to go armed. Officer Darrell Butler, LCPD made the arrest.

## DUI+

According to the report, Ms. Whisnant was at the Dairy Queen on Hwy 11 and Trooper Cory Russell received a BOLO to a drunk driver at Dairy Queen in the drive through. The vehicle was a blue Camry with a female driver.

LCPD and Trooper Russell pulled in at the same time and they advised Trooper Russell they charged Whisnant just last week with driving on revoked.

The trooper had her pull over to a parking place and she appeared uneasy on her feet and intoxicated when she exited her vehicle. She also refused a BAC test and was transported by LCPD. Trooper Cory Russell, THP made the arrest.

## Crash

was charged with driving under the influence.

According to the report, Officer Josh O'Dell responded to a motor vehicle crash with injury on South C Street. Upon arrival the officer made contact with Mr. Dunkin who had an odor of alcohol about him.

Due to injuries he could not perform sobriety tasks

and was transported to the hospital by Rural Metro EMS before later being taken into custody. Officer Josh O'Dell, LCPD made the arrest.

## Police Beat

Thomas William Warner, 46, of Main St., Sweetwater, was charged with driving on suspended.

According to the report, Deputy Pete McGinley LCSD stopped Warner for speeding on Hwy 321. A check showed Warner to have a suspended license. Deputy Pete McGinley LCSD made the arrest.

Timothy George Roland, 37 of Lois Lane, Benton, TN was charged with public intoxication.

According to the report, Officer Samuel Harrison LPD observed a white male exit a brushy/wooded area onto Center Park Drive at Hwy 72 and walk toward

McDonalds in Loudon.

The individual appeared to be under the influence and when asked Mr. Roland told the officer he had been in the wooded area drinking beer and admitted numerous times to being intoxicated.

Arturo Lopez, 23, of somewhere in Sweetwater, was charged with driving on revoked.

According to the report, Sgt. Brian Jenkins, LPD stopped the vehicle Lopez was driving for not wearing a seatbelt. Lopez was found to have a revoked license for DUI.

Sgt. Brian Jenkins LPD made the arrest.

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## Obituaries

**Gene Wheelock**, age 78 of Lenoir City went home to be with the Lord on Monday night, May 28, 2007 at Park West Hospital. Gene was a member of the Christian Church of Loudon County. He had lots of special friends and family. Gene will be sadly missed. He was preceded in death by his parents, Lee and Biddie Wheelock; brother Kenneth Wheelock and the mother of his children, Nellie Taylor. He is survived by his wife of 13 years, Myrna Wheelock; son and daughter-in-law, Lester and Kathy Wheelock of Lenoir City; daughters and son-in-law, Courtney and Jeff Caldwell of Dayton, OH and Sandra Wheelock of Marathon, FL; stepson, Michael Larson of the Philippines; grandson, Stephen Wheelock of Lenoir City; granddaughters, Christy Wheelock Hounsshell of Maryville and Ashley Greenwood of Loudon; great granddaughters, Kelley and Lacy Hounsshell of Maryville; beloved mother, Reed Wheelock of Lenoir City. 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. Rick Keck officiating. Family and friends will gather at 11 a.m. Thursday in the Shady Grove Church Cemetery. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is serving the Wheelock family.

## Blue Moon

and ash particles, deposited high in the Earth's atmosphere can sometimes make the Moon appear bluish. Smoke from widespread forest fire activity in western Canada created a blue Moon across eastern North America in late September 1950. In the aftermath of the massive eruption of Mount Pinatubo in the Philippines in June 1991 there were reports of blue moons (and even blue Suns) worldwide.

The phrase "Once in a blue Moon" was first noted in 1824 and refers to occurrences that are un-

common, though not truly rare. Yet, to have two full Moons in the same month is not as uncommon as one might think. In fact, it occurs, on average, about every 32 months. And in the year 1999, it occurred twice in a span of just three months!

It was not until the year 1999 that the origin of the calendrical term "Blue Moon" was at long last discovered. It was during the time frame from 1932 through 1957 that the Maine Farmers' Almanac suggested that if one of the four seasons (winter, spring, summer or fall) contained four full Moons instead of

the usual three, that the third full Moon should be called a "Blue Moon."

But thanks to a couple of misinterpretations of this arcane rule, first by a writer in a 1946 issue of Sky & Telescope magazine, and much later, in 1980 in a syndicated radio program, it now appears that the second full Moon in a month is the one that's now popularly accepted as the definition of a "Blue Moon."

The Moon will turn full tonight at 9:04 p.m.

For those living in Europe, Africa, Asia and Australia, the full Moon occurs after

midnight, on the calendar date of June 1. So in these regions of world, this will not be second of two full Moons in May, but the first of two full Moons in June.

## Police Beat

John Christopher Kellar, 33, of Hillcrest Drive, Lenoir City was charged with driving on suspended.

According to the report, Officer Dennis Guider, LCPD was driving on Hwy 321 and saw a black vehicle run a traffic light.

The driver, Mr. Kellar was found to have a suspended license.

Officer Dennis Guider, LCPD made the arrest.

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## Jinright

into Loudon County on Hwy 321. Roane County asked Sgt. Jeff Russell, LCSD to spike the suspect vehicle. Just south of the intersection of Hwy 70 and Hwy 321 the Sgt. Attempted to throw the spike

system out in front of the suspect vehicle and that is when the vehicle driven by Scott Jinright veered toward the Sgt. and he quickly threw the spikes and moved for safety. No contact was made between the suspect vehicle

and the spikes so the officer got into his patrol car and assisted Roane County in the pursuit. Mr. Jinright continued south on Hwy 321 until he crossed the median and drove into the parking lot of the Mobil and ran into a parked vehicle with the driver standing outside the vehicle and an elderly female

sitting in the passenger seat. Mr. Jinright then ran on foot from the scene and Sgt. Russell pursued on foot and tackled Jinright about 200 yards from the scene and he refused to give the officer his hands and tried to get up from the ground. With help from other officers

he was placed into custody.

Scott B. Jinright, 36, of Wellington, Louisville, was charged with reckless endangerment, resisting stop, halt and frisk and aggravated assault. Deputy Rob Lane, LCSD made the arrest at the Roane County Jail.

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