

# DAILY EDITION

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Monday, July 23, 2007

## Man charged with sexual battery



Detective Jack Fine escorts James Moore to the patrol car. Officer Dennis Guider (photo above) assists Moore into the cruiser  
(see Child pg. 11)

## Aikens Dismissed!



Chief Deputy Tony Aikens announces the dismissal of the charge against him.  
(see Dismissed pg. 10)

## Ldn man charged in thefts & forgeries

Warrants filed by Investigator Jason "the Brain" Smith, LCSD CID have charged a Loudon carpenter with theft x4 and forgery x4 after an investigation that led to the  
(see Strauser pg. 9)



Richard Benard Strauser

## 9th DTF nabs Asian drug trio (see Trio pg. 6)



Change Fong Yang



Timothy Shine Lee



Tazong Yang

**Inside Today's Edition:**  
*Fishing with Gus*  
*New local web site*  
*Woman charged with video theft*  
*Trespasser charged*

### Verse of the day

*They that be slain with the sword are better than they that be slain with hunger: for these pine away, stricken through for want of the fruits of the field.*

Lamentations 4:9

### Obituaries

R.J. Shope  
Lloyd David Black

### Weather:

Today: Partly cloudy, chance of a thunderstorm. Highs in the mid 80s.

Tonight: Lows in the mid 60s.

Tuesday: Isolated thunderstorms. Highs: mid 80s; Lows: mid 60s.

### Wazzup

Thank you to Eddie Wayne Smith for taking care of the streets in front of Kay's. They look awesome.

### Horoscopes Cancer

(Jun 22-Jul 22)

Some good old-fashioned romance is just what you need to soothe your heart and soul. Unattached? Not a problem. Take yourself

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

## Narcotics nabs Pierce in marijuana bust

The Loudon County Sheriff's Department Narcotic Division conducted a controlled buy of one ounce of marijuana from James T. Pierce in the parking lot of the Tractor Supply in Lenoir City.

The drug buy was photographed and

observed by Narcotics Agents including Lt. Jeff Vittatoe, Sgt. Billy Hall and Investigator AJ Yokley.

After the transaction took place Pierce was followed to Ford Road and stopped on a traffic violation.

While talking with Pierce he admitted to



James T. Pierce

selling one ounce of marijuana to a subject in the parking lot of the Tractor Supply.

James Terry Pierce,

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20, of Shaw Ferry Lane, Lenoir City was charged with sell and delivery of marijuana.

Sgt. Billy Hall, LCSD ND made the arrest.

### Trespasser charged

A local homeless man as taken into custody after he reportedly was found in the garage of a home he had been told to stay away from.

Jeremiah William Downs, 30, homeless was charged with criminal trespass.

According to the report, on or about March 28, 2007 Mr. Downs did go to a residence on Finley Drive. The victim heard a noise and went to see

what the noise was. This is when he found Downs in his garage without his permission.

Downs had been told by the victim not to come to his house any more. Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD made the arrest.

### Police Beat

Jose Guadalupe Gonzalez, 22, of Turman Drive, Lenoir City was charged with driving on suspended.

According to the report, Sgt. Brian Jenkins, LPD stopped a maroon sedan for viol. of registration. The driver, Gonzalez, was found to possess a suspended license for failure to satisfy a citation.

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## Man tries to escape after being detained for beer theft

Officer Jaison Brown, LPD and Sgt. Brian Jenkins, LPD responded to a call in reference to theft of beer from the Jiffy-in Loudon. The subject involved was described as a white male with a white t-shirt walking up Grove Street.

Sgt. Jenkins encountered Jerry D. Rice who was dressed in the manner described and was carrying an open 12 pack of beer. Rice smelled heavily of an intoxicant, was unsteady on his feet and had an open container in the box with several unopened beers.

Sgt Jenkins detained Jerry Rice in his patrol car and

transported Rice back to the store for an investigation and to give the store personnel an opportunity to identify him.

While the Sgt. Was inside the store Rice kicked the driver's rear window out of the patrol car and escaped custody.

The damage to the



Jerry D. Rice

cruiser was less than

\$500. Rice was re-apprehended a short distance from where he escaped.

Jerry Dewayne Rice, 44, of Grove Street, Loudon, was charged with public intoxication, vandalism, and escape. Sgt. Brian Jenkins, LPD made the arrest.

## Man charged with selling stolen car

According to the warrant, filed by Sgt. RS Newman, LPD



Massey

according to witness and victim on July 17, 2007 Bobby Lynn Massey Jr did sell a 1981 Oldsmobile Cutlass without the consent of the owner. Mr. Massey did sell the vehicle to a junk yard for \$100. Mr. Massey did this with the intention of depriving the owner of their property. Owner of the property Charles Key reported he noticed his vehicle missing from his parking lot and began to call local wrecker services and found the car. The owner of the junk yard reported Mr. Massey sold the

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car as his and presented and ID proving his name. The victim stated the vehicle had been purchased recently for \$1000 and had not been registered yet. Officer Bobby Lankford, LPD made the arrest.

## Police Beat

Clayton Ray Wel-da, 42, of North G Street, Lenoir City was charged with an attachment pro corpus to get him into court.

Deputy Lonnie Gaut, LCSD made the arrest.

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## Obituaries

**R.J. Shope**, 79, of Loudon, died Thursday, July 19, 2007 at Loudon Healthcare Center. Preceded in death by parents, Fred and Julia Myers Shope; brother, Hugh; sister, Naomi. Veteran of U.S. Army, Korean Conflict and retired employee of T.V.A. Survivors: brothers, Jack Shope and wife, Carolyn, Loudon, Beecher Shope and wife, Lillian of Philadelphia, Mitchell Shope and wife, Glenda of Athens; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services 7:30pm Saturday Cedar Valley Cemetery with military honors by Loudon Co. Veterans Honor Guard. Family will receive friends 5:30-7:30pm Saturday Loudon Funeral Home. Lloyd David Black, 80, of Mulberry St., Loudon passed away Thursday, July 19, 2007. Lloyd was a member of Blairland Baptist Church & Clerk & Masters of Loudon Co. for 24 years. Veteran of US Navy WWII-Okinawa, Japan. Preceded in death by parents, King & Edna Oody Black; brother, Leo Black; granddaughter, Allison Michelle Black. Survivors: wife of 60 years, Lucille Dailey Black; sons & daughters-in-law, Jimmy & Martha Watson Black, Lynn & Connie Moore Black; daughter & son-in-law, Lynn & Becky Davis all of Loudon; grandchildren, Wendy Bivens, Jeremy Black, Lori Beaty, Casey Davis, Ty Davis; great-grandchildren, Kelcie Biven, Tyler Bivens, Jordan Beaty & Branson Black; brother, Ernie Black & wife, Pat, Sweetwater; sister-in-law, Betty Bolt

Black, Cleveland, TN. Funeral services 2pm Saturday Blairland Baptist Church with Pastor Jon Henson officiating. Interment Loudon Co. Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers: Kent Black, David Black, Shawn Bivens, Ben Beaty, Jeremy Black & Ty Davis; honorary pallbearers: Fred Chaney, Ralph Wear, Doyle Arp & Riley Wampler. Family request memorials to Blairland Baptist Church building fund, 730 Steekee St., Loudon, TN 37774 - Philadelphia School fund for children, 300 Spring St., Philadelphia, TN 37846 or Stockton Valley Baptist Church building fund, 44617 Hwy 72 North, Loudon, TN 37774. Family will receive friends from noon-2pm Saturday prior to services at the church.

### Woman charged with video theft

A local woman was taken into custody on charges she stole movies from a local video outlet.

Sharon Elizabeth Winckler, 57, of Woodland Drive, Loudon, was charged with theft under \$500.

According to the warrant, filed by Detective Mike Newman, LPD Sharon Winckler with intent to deprive the owner of the their property took movies from the Movie Gallery on Hwy. 72 in Loudon. The movies were valued at \$60.

Deputy Mike Williams, LCSD made the arrest.

## Trio

Members of the 9th Judicial Drug Task Force under the direction of the "Bronze Bomber" John Sanchez were stationed on I-75 southbound when they observed a dark colored Lexus with its license plate improperly secured. As officers neared the vehicle it abruptly changed lanes, forcing another vehicle to brake to avoid a collision.

Upon stopping the vehicle the driver was

identified as Chang Fong Yang, the front passenger was Timothy Shine Lee and the rear passenger was Tazong Yang.

A ziplock bag containing a green leafy substance and a set of digital scales were found. The substance weighed approximately 55 grams.

Other agents participating include Jon Yates and Jarrod Whitson, 9th DTF. The 9th DTF is under the control of our District Attorney Gen-

eral Russell Johnson, whom since taking office has had the 9th DTF on regular patrols on our interstate system.

Timothy Shine Lee, 19, of Newton, SC; Chang Fong Yang, 20, of Young Drive, Hanover, NC; and Tazong Yang, 18, were charged with felony possession of schedule VI substance and poss. of drug paraphernalia. Agent John Sanchez, 9th DTF made the arrest.



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There is an exciting new web site around. Loudon County Living dot com

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from Events to Yard Sales. Visit even if you just want to yak with someone.

In the Photo Albums you will be able to upload pictures from your computer to share with Loudon County. They say pictures are worth a thousand words. We hope that Novels will be written here with

Pictures.

The site also has an Interactive Community Calendar. People will be able to add Loudon County events to it.

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with the people. It is full of information that we hope is important to Loudon County.

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### Police Beat

Nicholas Alan D'Augustino, 29, of Merchants Drive,

Knoxville, was charged with VOP.

According to the affidavit, D'Augustino was convicted of DUI 1st and VOP 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 \$776; failed to pay supervision fees, owes \$575; and failed to respond to notices.

Corporal Kami Galaba, LCSD made the arrest.

Shannon D. Garner, 35, of Martin Mill Pike, Knoxville, was charged with parole violation.

Corporal Teresa Smith, LCSD made the arrest.

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## Fishing with Gus

I stopped down at Toad's Bait Shop the other day to hang up some fliers for the August cat fishing classes and there was this fellow in there a'bragging about the stringer of fish that he had caught earlier in the day. I could tell that this fellow was born north of the Mason Dixon Line, way north as a mater of fact.

He was waiting to get his picture taken, but Toad had the camera in his truck and he had just left for lunch. This guy never shut up, every time a customer asked Sven a question, this fellow would answer and the funny part about it was he didn't have a clue what he was saying.

After about 30 minutes of listening to this guy, Ol' Delmer came in the store and said that he had been out

jug fishing on Watt's Bar and that he had just caught the biggest flat head of his life; he wanted Sven to take his picture, but before Sven could explain that he didn't have the camera Toad came walking in the back door.

The out of state fellow hurried out to his car and got his stringer of fish. We were trying not to laugh when he returned with his fish, there was seven fish and the largest one was smaller than your hand.

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## Police Beat

Joel C. Martin, 43, of Dayton Avenue, Knoxville, was charged with driving on revoked, financial resp. and window tint violation.

According to the report, Martin was stopped for a window tint violation and a driver license check showed the subject was revoked for failure to satisfy 8 citations.

Trooper Russell Smith, THP made the arrest.

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## Strauser

mans arrest.

According to the warrants, Between May 4 and May 15, 2007 on four separate occasions, Richard Benard Strauser went to the West Hills Market and used a stolen credit card for merchandise and cash back. Strauser received \$110 in cash back with each purchase.

Strauser signed the name of the victim, Mr. Armes, on the checks. The victim did not give Strauser permission to take or use the checks.

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Richard Benard Strauser, 39, of Huffs Ferry Road, Loudon, was charged with theft under \$500 x4 and forgery x4.

Deputy Daniel Ferguson LCSD made the arrest.

## Police Beat

Melissa Nicole Bradley, 19, of Maple Hill Road, Loudon, was charged with underage consumption.

According to the report, Corporal Chad Estes, LCSD and Deputy Deland LCSD were dispatched to a disorderly person. Upon arrival a white female ran out the back door and jumped across a fence and fell.

She was Melissa Bradley and she had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on her person and stated she had drank several

beers. She is only 19. Corporal Chad Estes, LCSD made the arrest.

Jackie Rene Moore, 47, of Gay Street, Loudon, was charged with assault by domestic.

According to the report, Officer Scott Wallace, LPD was dispatched to Gay Street for a possible domestic call in progress. Upon arrival the officer was confronted by the victim stating that Jackie had pushed her down on the floor and scratched her on the left side of her face with her finger nails.

The officer observed scratch marks on the victim as well. Officer Scott Wallace, LPD made the arrest.

## Pet Tips

A New York Pet

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Lover writes; "This formula works by neutralizing the acid in pet urine and killing the bacteria.

If you do not know where the urine is, get a black light bulb (most inexpensive) for an existing lamp or hand held black light (available at pet stores for \$20 or so. OUCH!!). In a dark room with only the black light on, the urine will glow!

Here are the ingredients to make the urine stain remover solution: 1 16 oz. bottle of Hydrogen Peroxide, 1 Tbsp. of Baking Soda, 1 Teas. of liquid dish detergent (regular or antibacterial).

Mix all ingredients into a plastic or glass bowl (do not use metal). Stir with a plastic

spoon (not metal!) until completely dissolved.

Place in a plastic squirt bottle. Let the solution set for an hour before using (this is important!) for the best results ever!

Test the solution on a small, hidden part of your rug, carpet or furniture (non-color set fabrics such as Indian cotton rugs may fade). Completely saturate the urine stain and allow the solution to soak in. Do not blot. Do not scrub. Do not walk on the spot.

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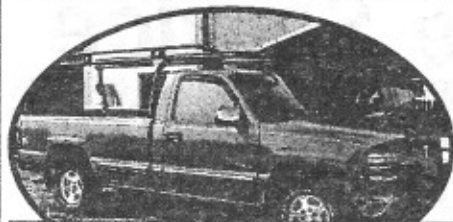
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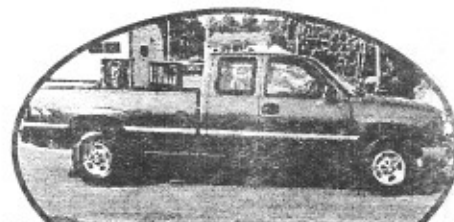
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## Dismissed

The case against Chief Deputy Tony Aikens that began 2 1/2 years has come to an end. From the beginning Chief Aikens maintained his innocence and that he would not under any circumstances make any deals with special

prosecutors or then District Attorney General J. Scott McCluen. The charge of Extortion, a class D Felony, was the charge that was dismissed.

Aikens expressed in a press conference on Friday "words cannot express how this ordeal has affected

my life and the life of my family...this was nothing more than a political vendetta to cast dark cloud over the Loudon County Sheriff's Department.

What happened here is the same thing that happened in North Carolina... and the same thing that happened to DA Nifong should hap-

pen to McCluen...he should have his law license stripped."

Aikens attorney T. Scott Jones stated "we will not pursue any further legal action against Mr. McCluen we believe the voters of Loudon County and surrounding counties voices their opinion in the last election by removing him from office in a landslide victory of 71% to McCluen's 29% for now District Attorney General Russell Johnson."

Chief Deputy Aikens thanked a long list of people at the press conference and had a special thanks for long time friend Don Fowler, Sheriff Tim Guider and the men and women of the Loudon County Sheriff's Department who have

faithfully stood by him through this entire ordeal. Many members of the Loudon County Sheriff's Department were on hand along with business leaders, community leaders, and members of the community and packed the conference room in support of Chief Aikens.

The response to the announcement of dismissal of charges were overwhelmingly positive for Chief Aikens.

The special prosecutor appointed the District Attorney from Paris, TN decided after reviewing all the charges, evidence and TBI investigative report (which found no wrong doing) asked for the case to be dismissed on Thursday in front of the honorable James "Buddy" Scott.



from left: Bonita Stephens, Joan Stollard, Chief Aikens, Don Fowler, Brenda Aikens, Sheriff Tim Guider and T. Scott Jones

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On Friday, July 20, 2007 Detectives from the Lenoir City Police Department arrested 69 year old James David Moore in his home at the Allison Lane Apartment complex in Lenoir City. Moore is charged with two counts of aggravated sexual battery on a child under 13 years of age.

The arrest came on the heels of an investigation by Detective Jack Fine stemming from a complaint filed by the parents of two young girls, ages 8 and 10, who live at the apartment complex.

According to the initial report filed by Officer Lynette Ladd, LCPD, on July 17th Officer Darrell Butler requested that officer Ladd be dispatched to the apartment com-

plex in order to make contact with a young girl who was visibly upset and crying. After a few minutes the young girl began to speak with officer Ladd about an incident that occurred on Sunday, July 15th at the apartment of a man named James.

According to the report James, identified as James David Moore, asked the young girl and her friend inside his apartment to see his pet rats as other children in the complex had done. Upon entering the residence Moore, who is an amputee, asked her and her friend to rub his "partial leg". Moore told the girls it felt like a normal leg. The girl stated that it did not, she stated that it "felt

weird". The other girl stated that Moore asked her to rub his leg as well that same day.

The following day, Monday July 16th, the girls returned to Moore's apartment to watch a Harry Potter movie sometime between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Moore reportedly offered the girls \$5 to clean out the rat's cages and stated to the girls that he would give them a rat when they had babies.

The girls stated that Moore then tickled their legs and squeezed their knees saying that it was "a horse biting corn." At one point the 10 yr. old girl stated that Moore's hand got caught up her shorts when she tried to stop Moore from tickling her. She further stated that she

tried to move away from him. The other child stated that when she told Moore of her back hurting he had her lay on the couch behind him as he sat on the edge.

According to the report the 10 yr. old then left the apartment to pop some popcorn and get some magic tricks leaving the other child alone with Moore. The other child stated that Moore looked at her and said, "I'll give you \$25." He then told the child to stand up. She did, at which time she stated that Moore put his hand under her shorts and touched her vaginal area, on top of her panties. The other girl then arrived back at the apartment.

According to investigator Detective Jack Fine, James David

Moore is a convicted sex offender from Georgia who has two criminal convictions for child molestation spanning from 1969 into the 1970's. Moore reportedly lied to investigators during his questioning about his past criminal history until confronted by authorities.

Moore is currently being held without bond in the Loudon Co. Jail. He is scheduled for arraignment on Monday morning.

### Police Beat

Jason Michael Hale, 26, was charged with VOP.

According to the affidavit, Hale was convicted of PI and sentenced to probation for 11months 29 days.

Since then he has failed to report to probation officer; failed to pay costs/fines, owes \$335.50; failed to pay supervision fees, owes \$45; failed to respond to notices and failed to provide current address/phone number. Deputy Mike Williams, LCSD made the arrest.

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License number of Vehicle involved: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of vehicle involved: Car \_\_\_\_\_ Truck \_\_\_\_\_

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_

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