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Friday, October 26, 2007

DTF, TBI team up to make LC drug bust

Agents with the Ninth Judicial Drug Task Force and the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation conducted surveillance of a controlled sale and delivery of drugs at a Lenoir City residence Wednesday and as a result more than three ounces of cocaine and crack cocaine and two pounds of marijuana were taken off the streets

(see Bust pg. 2)



Serafin Zavala



Ascencion Gonzalez Vargas



Ramon Lopez

EBT card stolen from mail

Police were called to a local residence Monday when a man discovered his EBT card had been stolen and used at a Lenoir City grocery

store.

According to reports, Jerry Coffman, Highland Avenue, told Deputy Sam Johnson, LCSD, someone stole

(see Card pg. 9)

Dead beat mom busted

Police arrested a dead beat mother after responding to a call of a possible

(see Mayes pg. 4)

Car stolen

A Philadelphia man reported the theft of his vehicle to police Tuesday after his son drove it to Knoxville.

(see Car pg. 9)

Passerby stops to help domestic violence victim, 1 charged

A passerby told police he saw a local man shove a woman off an embankment and stopped to try to help

her. The man was taken into custody immediately after it was believed he threw a knife under his car when the

(see Addeo pg. 3)

Identity theft

A Loudon man notified police Wednesday of someone trying to use his identity to obtain loans and unsecured credit cards.

Kenneth Freemont, Noya Way, told Detective Jason

Smith, LCSD, he has received correspondence via phone and mail that indicates his identity has been used to acquire a loan and unsecured credit card.

Freemont stated on Sep-

(see Identity pg. 8)

Health Advisory Issued for Horse Owners and Local Residents

Knoxville, - The Tennessee departments of Agriculture and Health are urging horse owners to be on the alert and review vaccination records for eastern equine encephalitis (EEE) and other mosquito-borne diseases

including West Nile virus (WNV).

"Outbreaks of viral encephalitis in horses are a seasonal occurrence due to the prevalence of mosquitoes in late summer and early fall," said Dr. Ron

(see Advisory pg. 7)

Verse of the day

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Has my arm lost its power? Now you will see whether or not my word comes true!"
Numbers 11:23

Obituaries

None

Weather:

Today: Cloudy with a few showers. High 72.

Tonight: Partly cloudy. Low 46.

Saturday: A few clouds early, otherwise mostly sunny.

High: 67.

Sunday: Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the low 40s.

Wazzup

We're sure going to miss you, Frankie Shields, but we know you'll kick back & enjoy a much deserved

break!

Horoscopes Scorpio

(Oct 24-Nov 22)

Today is perfect for taking care of your health. There is some positive step you have been meaning to

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Addeo

first officer arrived on the scene and witnesses said the incident began in the couple's vehicle.

Brian Anthony Addeo, 31, of Third Avenue, Lenoir City, was charged with assault by domestic violence and public intoxication.

According to the

report, Deputy Dan Kelly, LCSD responded to a report of domestic violence and a physical and verbal fight in a parking lot. Upon arrival Reserve Deputy Scott Capooth was already on the scene. There was a male subject who Capooth stated threw a knife under the car when he pulled up. The deputy

immediately placed Addeo into custody for safety.

Three witnesses stated there was apparently a confrontation in the vehicle. The vehicle was stopped and Addeo was pushing and shoving the victim.

According to statements Addeo shoved the victim off a small embankment and she

fell down. Addeo was also being verbally abusive. A passerby stopped when he saw the violence and did try to render aid. At that point Addeo acted as if nothing was going on.

Addeo had a strong odor of alcohol about his person. Deputy Dan Kelly LCSD made the arrest.

Police Beat

Virgilio Medrano Ortega, 40, of Hwy 163, Calhoun, TN, was charged with driving on revoked.

According to the report, Officer Bennie Houser, LPD observed a silver vehicle sitting in the parking lot of the laundry mat in Loudon.

The officer made contact and Ortega stated he was waiting on someone to ride to work with him.

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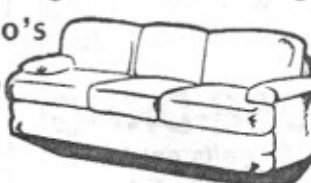
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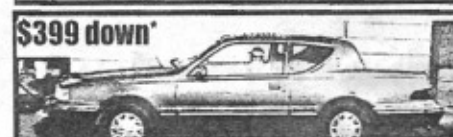
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Mayes

drunk driver and upon stopping the suspect vehicle learned she is wanted for non support in another state. She also had no legal privilege to drive.

Kelly Jane Mayes, 33 of Chilton St. Nashville, was charged with driving on suspended and fugitive from justice.

According to the report, Officer Bennie Houser, LPD was dispatched to a possible drunk driver on I-75. The officer observed the vehicle traveling at an extremely high rate of speed and noted it was all over the road.

The driver, Ms. Mayes was found to have a suspended license and an outstanding warrant in Kentucky for flagrant non-support. Officer Bennie Houser, LPD made the arrest.

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Beginning Monday, October 8, 2007, LCSD Toys for Tots applications are available at the Sheriff's Department and at the Department of Human Services in Lenoir City. *All Applications must be returned to the Loudon County Sheriff's Department by November 21, 2007.* Please turn your applications in as soon as possible, don't wait until the last minute.

Bust

and three Hispanic males were taken into custody on a variety of drug charges.

Serafin Zavala, 23, of 904 First Avenue, was charged with possession of schedule II for resale, possession of schedule VI for resale, and introduction of contraband to a penal facility.

Ascencion Gonzalez Vargas, 721 Highland Avenue, Loudon, was charged with posses-

sion of schedule II for resale and possession of schedule VI for resale.

Ramon Lopez, 23, 2209 Sweetwater Vonore Road, Sweetwater, was charged with possession of schedule II for resale.

According to numerous records, 9th DTF Agent Steve Cook, along with Agent John Sanchez and TBI Agent Danny Wright was conducting surveillance on the controlled sale and delivery at Zavala's First Avenue residence just after 7:00 p.m. when Zavala's vehicle pulled into the alley. The driver, later identified as Zavala, then engaged another Hispanic male who was later identified as Ramon Lopez. A transaction to purchase one ounce of cocaine for \$1300 took place and both Zavala and Lopez were taken into custody.

A search revealed approximately two ounces of what was believed to be cocaine. A subsequent search pursuant to a search of the residence produced two pounds of marijuana, approximately one ounce of a white rock-like substance believed to be crack cocaine, a semiautomatic AK-47 rifle and ammunition and \$1,010 in cash, all of which was confiscated.

Records indicate a Hispanic male later

identified as Gonzalez arrived at the location and was identified as the person living in the room where the AK-47 and some of the cocaine was found.

All three men were transported to jail and once there Zavala received the additional charge of introduction of contraband to a penal facility.

Deputy Daniel Ferguson, LCSD, reported he asked Zavala if he had anything in his possession officers needed to know about and Zavala said, "No," however, while searching his right watch pocket the officer found two small baggies con-

taining 1 gram each substance in Zavala's of a white powder jeans.

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Advisory

Wilson, state veterinarian with the Agriculture Department. "Horse owners should be aware of symptoms of viral encephalitis and consult their local veterinarian should their horse develop any of the signs associated with this group of diseases."

Several states have reported cases of EEE in horses this season. Tennessee's first confirmed case of 2007 was reported this week in Blount County. Up to 90 percent of horses infected with EEE virus can die.

Another mosquito-borne disease, West Nile virus infection, has been seen in horses across the state, including East Tennes-

see, in 2007. Wilson says the spread of WNV has heightened awareness and concern for other nervous system diseases in horses. Many of the signs of EEE overlap with those described for WNV in horses and include:

Decreased alertness
Blindness or impaired vision

Aimless wandering or circling

Head pressing
Inability to swallow
Weakness, paralysis or convulsions

"Definitive diagnosis is important in tracking the spread of viral infections," said Wilson. "It requires a commitment on the part of horse owners working with their local veterinarian and verifying test results through

laboratory analysis."

Vaccines are available to protect against EEE and WNV in horses. Horse owners are encouraged to review their records and consult with their veterinarian regarding immunization for these diseases. Additionally, insect repellents can be used on horses but may have limited effectiveness. Screened stalls can also help reduce exposure of animals to mosquitoes.

Although humans cannot contract viral encephalitis directly from infected horses, according to Dr. Abelardo Moncayo, state medical entomologist with the Department of Health, viral encephalitis does pose a public health risk, and people should also take proper

precautions.

"EEE in humans is rarer than West Nile virus, but the fatality rate for people infected with EEE virus is much higher," said Moncayo. "Since there is no vaccine available for humans, people living near areas of EEE virus activity should avoid mosquito bites by using EPA registered insect repellents containing DEET, Picaridin, or oil of lemon eucalyptus, and by wearing clothes that cover the arms and legs. These preventive measures are especially important from dusk to dawn, when mosquitoes are most active, and also during the day if mosquitoes are out."

Human and animal health officials say

mosquito control is very important for disease prevention. Mosquito control should include removal of all man-made potential sources of stagnant water that may allow mosquitoes to breed, including discarded tires, containers left outdoors, or clogged roof gutters.

The state Agriculture Department's Kord Animal Diagnostic Laboratory in Nashville provides services for livestock owners and private veterinarians. For more information about EEE or other viral diseases in horses, contact the Tennessee Department of Agriculture, State Veterinarian office and diagnostic laboratory at (615) 837-5120.

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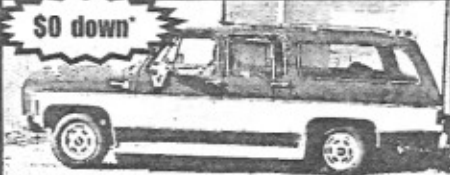
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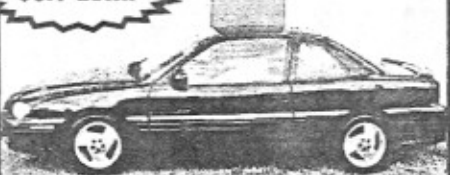
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Identity

tember 17 he received a call from VIG Investment Group requesting information to verify his social security number and when he did not give them any information they hung up on him. On September 25 Freemont received another call from Florida Financial in reference to an unsecured credit

card and the caller identified himself as Malcolm. Freemont said Malcolm was requesting verification of his identity and when he advised he had not applied for a loan Malcolm said, "We'll cancel it, goodbye," and hung up.

Records indicate Freemont further advised he also received a letter from Pay Day One postmarked Oc-

tober 16 which indicated a loan had been applied for using his name and had been declined.

Freemont said he had contacted Equifax on September 25 and advised them of

the identity theft and a fraud alert was put in place for him.

No other information was available at the time of the report.

Police Beat

Syeisha Teresa Kilby, 26, of B Street, Lenoir

City, was charged with driving on revoked. According to the report, Lt. Gillis Morgan, LCPD stopped Kilby for running a stop sign.

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Card

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Coffman advised the card was for over \$170 and \$117 was removed from it at the store.

Car

According to records, James Brown,

Donaldson Road, went to the Justice Center and advised Detective Jason Smith, LCSD he had been letting his son Terry drive his 1989 Mercury Grand Marquis and on Saturday Terry took the vehicle to Knoxville. On Sunday, Terry called home and told him his car had been taken by an unknown party from Cherry Street in Knoxville.

Brown reported he and his wife went to

Knoxville to pick up his son following the alleged larceny and said his vehicle was worth approximately \$1225.

Police Beat

James Eric Isbell, 19, of Sandy Shore Drive, Lenoir City, and James Thomas O'Domirok, 20, of 4th Avenue, Lenoir City was charged with poss. of drug paraphernalia. According to the report, Sgt. Brian Jenkins, LPD observed a small ve-

hicle on Commercial Park Drive. The vehicle pulled from an access road and appeared to start to the left and go back to the right instead and was stopped. The officer identified the driver as James Eric Isbell. Isbell stated the reason for the erratic driver was that he was lost. Isbell had the odor of marijuana emitting from the vehicle. The officer asked for permission to search and discovered a glass pipe commonly used to smoke marijuana. Both had access to the pipe and the smell of marijuana on their clothing. Sgt. Brian Jenkins, LPD made the arrest.

Armando Reillos Hernandez, 29, of Cox

Street, Loudon, was charged with driving without a license.

According to the report, Hernandez was stopped for being at a business after business hours. He could not produce a license and a check showed him to be unlicensed.

Officer Scott Wallace, LPD made the arrest.

Rigoberto Vieyra, 26 of 2nd Avenue, Lenoir City was charged with no driver license, violation of registration law and financial resp. Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPE stopped Vieyra for a violation of the registration law. While gathering information Vieyra has no license or insurance. Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPE made the arrest.

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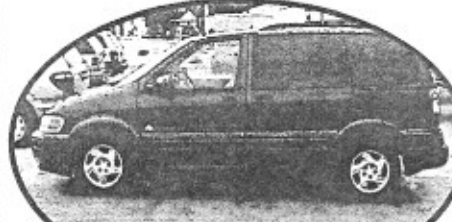
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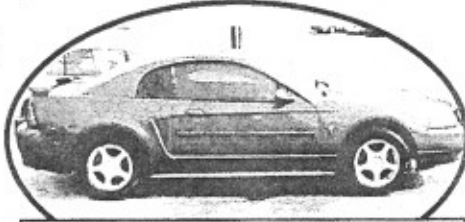
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