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District Attorney General Predicates Full TBI Investigation into Rarity Bay Issues

For approximately two months District Attorney General Russell Johnson has been conducting an investigation with the assis-

tance of TBI into various allegations involving the Rarity Bay development on Tellico Lake in Loudon County. A number of fact finding inter-

views have been conducted by General Johnson and TBI agents as well as an examination lasting several weeks of all of the deed transfers (see Investigation pg. 3)

Tennessee taxes: September

Nashville, - September 2008 collections of the Tennessee Department of Revenue were \$976,739,861, a decrease of \$87,312,287 or 8.2 percent from September (see Collections pg. 3)

Vandals nabbed by LPD

According to the report, Officer William Evans, LPD observed a silver vehicle in front of a residence on Ranch Road in Loudon County. The officer then observed a subject from the vehicle smash the mailbox at the residence. Upon following the vehicle down Stockton

(see Hampton pg. 6)



Kenneth Jacob Hampton

Shoplifter found to be wanted and in stolen vehicle

Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD apprehended a Loudon woman after she was found to be in possession of a stolen vehicle and was wanted as well. According to the report, Katie Jane McKiddy was at Bimbo's in Lenoir City in possession of a 2000 Toyota Camry. The vehicle was

(see McKiddy pg. 4)

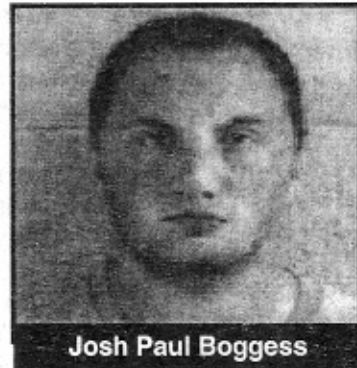


Katie Jane McKiddy

1 charged in hit and run

Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD received a call in reference to a hit and run accident on Hwy 321 at the Hardee's. The driver of the suspected vehicle was identified as Josh Paul Boggess and he was operating a Chevy pick-up when he was stopped by Sgt. Range. Boggess stated

(see Boggess pg. 4)



Josh Paul Boggess

Stolen vehicle and wanted woman nabbed in LC

Officer B. Gentry was requested to respond to the Texaco on Hwy 321 in Lenoir City in an attempt to locate a stolen vehicle from Loudon County. Gentry observed a vehicle pull into the parking lot the driver was identified as Autumn Leigh Ann Sparks. Sparks stated she "borrowed" a

(see Sparks pg. 7)



Autumn Leigh Ann Sparks

Verse of the day

Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all generations.
Psalm 145:13

Weather:

Today: Mostly cloudy

skies with a few showers later in the day. Thunder possible. High 81. CoR: 30%. Tonight: Considerable cloudiness with occasional rain showers. Thunder is possible early. Low 58. CoR:

50%. Friday: Showers. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the mid 40s.

Wazzup

Glad to hear you're feeling better, Jan, and we're all looking

forward to lunch at A.J.'s today!

It was good meeting you, Katrina!

Horoscopes Libra

(Sept 24-Oct 23)

Things aren't quite

as they appear to be on the surface, so take another look and see if you can figure out more of the situation. It may take a while, but you will get there

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Investigation

from the original developer of Rarity Bay down to the current property owners for every lot of the development that lies within Loudon County.

Johnson stated that he has now "completed a thorough review of the results of this records examination, the information provided to me by the current Property Assessor and information from other sources, as well as the information gathered in the preliminary interviews. As a result of this review I have predicated an investigation of all of the issues surrounding these transactions, including the allegations of 'developer

discounting' to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation".

Once the TBI investigation is concluded and its results are available, Johnson stated that he intends to review them with the Director of the Tennessee District Attorney General's Conference, the State Attorney General and the Director of the Division of Property Assessment. After meeting with the TBI District Supervisor earlier today to 'predicate the investigation' Johnson further advised that he was 'cautioned' by TBI that, even with much of the preliminary work concluded, this investigation might still take a considerable amount of time given

the complexity of the issues and the number of people to be interviewed or re-interviewed.

Johnson indicated that no action will be taken until the full TBI investigation is complete.

Collections

2007 collections.

Sales and use tax collections totaled \$553,626,710, a decrease of \$19,619,177 or 3.4 percent from September 2007 collections.

Collections from the retail trade group decreased 3.8 percent. Items with significant changes include:

Miscellaneous retail: up 6.4 percent

Motor vehicle dealers and service stations: down 13.3 percent (with a 17.0 percent decline in the new, used motor vehicle sub-category item)

Building materials: down 14.0 percent

Collections from the service group decreased 8.7 percent from September 2007. The biggest contributor to the decline is personal services, down by 62.8 percent.

Collections from the non-retail, non-services group decreased 3.2 percent led by lost in manufacturing (down 10.2 percent), communications (down 5.3 percent) and wholesale trade (down 4.9 percent).

Consumer use collections were \$269,865, an increase of \$5,558 (2.1 percent) from September 2007.

Franchise and excise tax collections were \$243,528,781, a decrease of \$51,134,480 or 17.4 percent when compared to September 2007. Separately, franchise tax collections were \$92,807,201, a drop of \$10,101,521 or 9.8 percent from last September.

Excise tax collections were \$150,721,580, a decrease of \$41,032,960 or 21.4 percent from September 2007.

Tobacco tax collections were \$27,319,827, an increase of \$6,713,803 or 32.6 percent over the collection of September 2007.

Gross receipts tax collections were \$30,413, a decrease of \$114,231 or 79.0 percent compared to September 2007.

Privilege tax collections were \$19,431,871, a decrease of \$5,840,374 or 23.1 percent compared to September 2007.

Gasoline tax collections were \$51,141,858, a decrease of \$4,911,809 or 8.8 percent compared to September 2007.

Motor vehicle registration tax collections were \$19,909,113, an increase of \$131,577 or 0.7 percent compared to September 2007.

Inheritance and estate tax collections were \$6,820,740, a decrease of \$742,080 or 9.8 percent from September 2007.

The Department of Revenue collects approximately 92 percent of total state tax revenue. During the 2007-2008 fiscal year, the department collected \$11.2 billion in state taxes and fees. In addition to collecting state taxes, \$1.9 billion of local sales tax was collected by the department for local governments during the 2007-2008 fiscal year. Besides collecting taxes, the department enforces the revenue laws fairly and impartially in an effort to encourage voluntary taxpayer compliance. The department also apportions revenue collections for distribution to the various state funds and local units of government. To learn more about the department, log on to www.Tennessee.gov/revenue.

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Boggess

he was involved in the accident and he left the scene.

Boggess did not render aid to two victims that were injured at the accident scene.

Josh Paul Boggess, 19, of Highland Avenue, Loudon was charged with leaving the scene of an accident, duty to render aid and give information and financial responsibility. Sgt Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.

McKiddy

stolen out of Cumberland County. While at the Bimbo's she also took fireworks, laser pointer and two Red Bull drinks valued at \$14.64.

A check through

NCIC showed McKiddy to be wanted for failure to appear in Loudon County and a capias out of Cumberland County.

Katie Jane McKiddy, 28, of Upper Street, Loudon, was charged with theft over \$1000, theft under \$500, failure to appear in Loudon County and a capias out of Cumberland County. Detective Jonathan Sartin LCPD made the arrest. Also assisting was officers Jeremy Dishner and Jason Butler, LCPD.

Police Beat

Jimmy McClain Moore, 44, of Acorn Gap Road, Sweetwater, was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy B. Gray, LCSD made the arrest.

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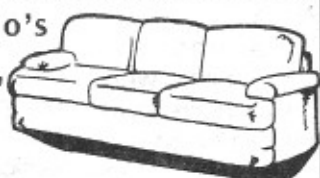
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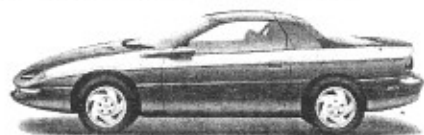
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Hampton

Valley Road the vehicle stopped at the intersection of Bright Road and the officer got out and identified the subjects.

Kenneth Jacob Hampton was a passenger in the vehicle along with two juvenile subjects. Mr. Hampton was the only adult in

the vehicle. The mailbox was badly damaged and the juveniles were also charged.

Kenneth Jacob Hampton, 19, of Matlock Bend Road, Loudon was charged with vandalism and contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Officer Williams Evans LPD made the arrest.



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Police Beat

Kimberly E. Stewart, 35, was charged with public intoxication.

According to the report, Deputy Charles Butler, LCSD ob-

served a white female walking on the interstate and stopped her.

Stewart had a strong odor of an intoxicant on her person and was very unsteady on

her feet.

Deputy Charles Butler, LCSD made the arrest.

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Sparks

1991 Ford Ranger but intended to return it. Loudon County did have a stolen vehicle report. Sparks was transported to the jail for theft over \$1000.

A check through NCIC showed Sparks was wanted in Blount County for two counts of forgery.

Autumn Leigh Ann Sparks, 26, of Profitt Springs Road,

Maryville, was charged with theft over \$1000 and forgery x2 out of Blount County. Sgt. Lynette Ladd, LCPD made the arrest.

Police Beat

Kristy Danyell Craw-

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ley, 31, of Steekee St, Loudon was charged with public intoxication.

According to the report, Sgt. Joe Foster, LCPD attempted to stop a white vehicle and it took off, going through the Wal-Mart parking lot where the driver jumped out and started running.

Crawley came around the building and was unruly and had strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on her person. Sgt. Joe Foster, LCPD made the arrest.

Amy Sue Collins, 33, of Audrey Lane, Friendsville, was charged with DUI 1st and driving on suspended.

According to the report, Officer Bennie Houser, LPD observed a vehicle on Hwy 11 on top of the river bridge with a tail light broken and stopped it. Collins was found to have a suspended license.

Collins had strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on her person and reported she had one beer and one shot. She registered .08% on the intoximeter at the jail. Officer Bennie Houser, LPD made the arrest.

Barrett Kane George, 50, of Dunn Barton Drive, Maryville, was charged with a criminal court capias.

Corporal Daniel Ferguson, LCSD made the arrest.

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