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Friday/Monday, November 14/17, 2008

## Narcotics nabs man with pills and more

According to the warrant, on November 7 2008 the Loudon County Narcotics Division along with LCSD patrol Division served a search warrant at the home of Jeff Graves located on Jackson Bend Road Lenoir City. While searching the bedroom 3 1/2 pills of Oxy-codone were found on a dresser. Found between the mattresses were 3 bottles

(see Graves pg. 3)



Jeffrey Alvin Graves

Certification of the Loudon County Election will be Monday, November 17 2008 at 5 p.m. at the Loudon County Election Commission located in the County Office Building on River Road in Loudon.

## October Revenues

Nashville, - State revenue collections for October were \$709.1 million, or less than 1% above October 2007 collections.

"October is the third consecutive month this fiscal year in which sales taxes and corporate income taxes have experienced negative growth."

(see Revenues pg. 6)

## GHSO Announces Special Click It or Ticket Enforcement Blitz

Effort Will Buckle Down on Those Not Buckled Up - Especially in Rural Areas

Nashville, - The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports Americans driving or riding on rural roadways face a much

greater risk of being injured or killed in traffic crashes than urban or suburban area motorists.

One big reason: seat

## Update: Man charged with injuring jailers in attack

According to the warrants, on November 4, 2008 while on duty in the Loudon County Jail after inmate Eric Sean Hawkins returned from his arraignment he became increasingly irate and loud. Hawkins was placed back into population and was still irate so Deputies John Wilson, Brandon Wilson, John Maples and Lt. Teresa Smith

(see Hawkins pg. 3)



Eric Sean Hawkins

## False calls end in arrest

A intoxicated Loudon man was jailed after police answered more than four 911 calls at his residence

that turned out to be false alarms. A final third party call resulted in his arrest

(see Duenas pg. 4)

## EBT card stolen

A McGhee Road, Greenback woman called police Wednesday when she gave a friend her EBT card to pick up some items for her and when the friend failed

(see Stolen pg. 3)

## Maid scares off intruder

An elderly Vonore woman told police she returned home from an appointment to learn a man came into her

(see Intruder pg. 7)

## Verse of the day

For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversar-ies.

1 Corinthians 16:9

## Obituaries

Elliott Wayne Ragan

## Weather:

Today: Cloudy with occasional showers. High 69. CoR: 60%. Tonight: Overcast with rain showers at times. Low 46. CoR: 60%.

Saturday: Showers possible. Highs: low 50s; Lows: upper 20s.

Sunday: Times of sun & clouds. Highs: upper 40s; Lows: upper 20s.

Monday: A few

clouds. Highs: upper 50s; Lows: low 30s.

## Wazzup

We can all help our environment and our communities by taking the pledge to reduce, reuse and recycle as part of America Re-

cycles Day, Nov. 15, 2008.

## Horoscopes Scorpio

(Oct 24-Nov 22)

You can usually bide your time and wait for (see Horoscopes pg. 2)

# Obituaries

**Elliott Wayne Ragan**, age 69, of Lenoir City found peace in the arms of his Heavenly Father Monday afternoon, November 10, 2008 from the arms of his wife and daughter. Wayne was a member of Cokesbury United Methodist Church. He was a loving and devoted husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather. His parents, John and Edna Ragan; sister and brother-in-law, Bettye and Dennis Ford preceded Wayne in death. He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Jane Ragan; daughter and son-in-law, Sheri and Steve McCain; grandson, Nicholas McCain; brother and sister-in-law, Mike and Janice Ragan; nieces, nephews and many friends. The family will receive friends 4 to 4:45 p.m. Saturday with a Celebration of Life to follow at 5 p.m. in the Click Funeral Home Farragut Chapel with Rev. Rebekah

P. Fetzter officiating. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Cokesbury United Methodist Church, 9908 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37922 designated to Manna House food pantry. "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father for my Father is greater than I." John 14:27-28 Click Funeral Home Farragut Chapel, 11915 Kingston Pike is serving the Ragan family.

## Hawkins

entered the block to gain control of the situation.

Inmate Hawkins be-

came more irate and cursing at officers. Lt. Smith gave Hawkins 6 or 7 commands to turn around and put his hands on the wall. Hawkins refused all commands and then charged at officers. The officers attempted to restrain Hawkins using handcuffs but after his continued resistance they had to lower him to the ground. During this process Hawkins started to bite the fingers of Deputy Jonathan Wilson and the lip of Deputy Brandon Wilson causing injuries that were treated.

Eric Sean Hawkins, 28 of Corinth Road, Loudon, was charged with two counts of assault. Deputy John Wilson, LCSD made the arrest.

## Graves

of medication containing different milligrams of Hydrocodone, approximately 75+ pills.

During an interview with Jeff Graves he admitted the Oxycodone found was his and also admitted to selling prescription pain medication. While interviewing

Rhonda Graves, who wasn't charged, she admitted to giving several of her prescribed hydrocodone pills to Jeff to sale and selling 11 hydrocodone herself.

Found throughout the Graves bedroom was metal hose clamps used to crush pills and several cut straws used to snort pills. Found in a brief case belonging to Jeff Graves was a glass pipe used to smoke cocaine base. While searching Jeff Graves garage outside officers discovered more cut straws and a box containing glass tubes used to cook cocaine into cocaine base along with another pipe used to smoke cocaine base. Rhonda Graves was not arrested at that time due to a medical condition. The Narcotics Division will be seeking indictments for her arrest at a later date.

Also during a search of the building several road signs were found that Graves had taken.

Jeffrey Alvin Graves,

43, of Jackson Bend Road, Lenoir City was charged with possession of schedule III for resale, felony possession of oxycodone, felony possession of drug paraphernalia and theft under \$500. Sgt. Billy Hall, LCSD ND made the arrest.

## Stolen

to return learned her card had been wiped out.

According to records, Bonnie Herron told Deputy Craig Brewer, LCSD, she let a woman she identified as Crystal Summy take her EBT card to the store to get her some milk and bread and Summy did not return with either the items or the card.

Herron reported she called the State and found that all the money on the card had been used at Rite stop and at Wal Mart in Maryville.

Herron further advised Summy has not returned or called with the card and has made no effort to contact her.

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## Duenas

after concerns for the man's safety were raised and it was found he had injured himself.

Daniel Duenas, 33, of Cedar Street, Loudon, was charged with public intoxication.

According to the report, on four occasions officers from Loudon Police Department answered 911 calls at the residence of Mr. Duenas. Each time it was a false alarm and there was no emergency. Every time Duenas appeared intoxicated.

When officers answered the final call it came from a third party who was concerned about Mr. Duenas safety. Upon arrival Duenas came

outside and was very unsteady on his feet and smelled heavily of an intoxicant and had cut his hand. Sgt. Brian Jenkins LPD made the arrest.

## Police Beat

Chuck Lee Hawkins, 33, of Corinth Road, Loudon, was charged with violation of parole.

Deputy John Wilson LCSD made the arrest.

Amanda Ann Tindell, 24, of Lonas Drive, Knoxville, was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Brandon Wilson, LCSD made the arrest.

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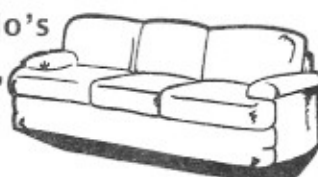
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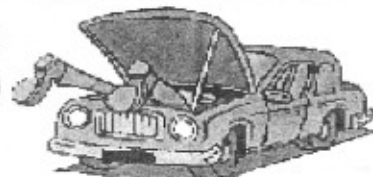
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## Revenues

tive growth rates," Finance and Administration Commissioner Dave Goetz said. "We continue to be concerned with the year-to-date negative growth in our tax collections, but we are completely committed to balancing the state's budget in a responsible manner during this extraordinary national economic downturn."

On an accrual basis, October is the third month in the 2008-2009 fiscal year.

October collections were \$75.8 million less than the budgeted estimate. The general fund was

under collected by \$72.0 million and the four other funds were under collected by \$3.8 million.

Sales tax collections were \$40.9 million less than the estimate for October. The October growth rate was negative 4.71 %. Year-to-date the growth rate is negative 3.14 %.

Franchise and excise combined collections for October were negative \$17.9 million, and they were \$23.7 million below the budgeted estimate of \$5.8 million.

Gasoline and motor fuel collections decreased by 16.21% and they were \$10.1

million below the budgeted estimate of \$73.9 million.

Tobacco tax collections for the month were over collected by \$400,000, and they were \$2.7 million over October 2007 collections.

Inheritance and Estate taxes were under collected by \$400,000 for the month.

All other taxes were under collected by a net \$1.1 million.

Year-to date collections for three months were \$217.7 million less than the budgeted estimate. The general fund was under collected by \$200.2 million and the four other funds were under collected

by \$17.5 million.

The budgeted revenue estimates for 2008-2009 are based on the State Funding Board's consensus recommendation adopted by the second session of the 105th General Assembly in May of 2008.

## Police Beat

Crystal Tenille Shubert, 28, of Rogers

Drive, Lenoir city was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy John Wilson LCSD made the arrest.

Robert John Davis, 28, of Missoula Way, Knoxville, was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy John Wilson LCSD made the arrest.



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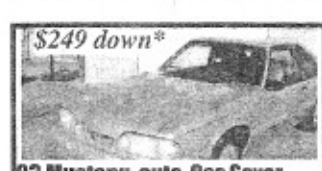
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Beginning November 17, the Governor's Highway Safety Office is joining forces with NHTSA, and state and local highway safety and law enforcement leaders to launch a special high-visibility Click It or Ticket enforcement campaign to buckle down on all motorists not buckling up - but especially those in rural areas.

This special enforcement emphasis on rural roadways will take place in addition to Tennessee's partici-

pation in the national Click it or Ticket seat belt enforcement mobilization planned for late May next year.

"We're going to send the Click it or Ticket message out loud and clear, to all drivers and passengers, but with a special emphasis on those in rural areas," said Tennessee Department of Transportation Commissioner Gerald Nicely. "Rural areas account for a disproportionately high number of traffic deaths. While only about a quarter of the U.S. population lives

in rural areas, more than half of all traffic fatalities occur in rural areas."

In Tennessee during 2007, 59 percent of the State's 1,210 traffic fatalities occurred in a rural area, compared to 41 percent in an urban area.

"It is clear we must do something to address the number of crashes in rural parts of our state," said GHSSO Director Kendell Poole. "In addition, other motorists most at risk of experiencing a fatal crash are teen drivers, particularly young males, and pickup truck drivers and passengers. A common factor in each case is a lack of safety belt use."

Nearly half (270) of all passenger vehicle fatalities in rural areas involved light trucks. Among those, where restraint use was known, nearly three-fourths (74%) were unrestrained. What's more, 80% of pickup truck occupants killed in Tennessee were not restrained (where restrained use was known). This holds true in rural areas, ur-

ban areas, and overall in the state.

Poole explained that regular safety belt use is the single most effective way to protect people and reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes. "Seat belts clearly save lives. Sadly, too many folks in Tennessee, particularly in our rural areas, need a tough reminder. So, this November, we're committed to doing all we can to convince Tennesseans to buckle up for protection. No more warnings. No more excuses. No matter who you are or where you are on the road, don't risk it. Click It or Ticket."

For more information, please visit [www.region4ruralbeltproject.org](http://www.region4ruralbeltproject.org) or [www.NHTSA.gov](http://www.NHTSA.gov).

### **Intruder**

home while her cleaners were working on her house Tuesday.

According to records, a 73 year old Mourn-ing Dove Drive woman told Deputy Chip Matthews, LCSD, her house cleaners were in her residence working

when she left to take her husband to an appointment and when she returned one of the workers told her she was cleaning the basement when a Hispanic male walked into the basement from inside the residence.

The housekeeper advised she shouted at the man and he said something in Spanish then ran out the rear basement door.

The officer reported Investigator Charles Cosner, LCSD, responded to the home and spoke with both the homeowner and the housekeeper. Neither person could find anything missing at the time of the report, however the homeowner advised she would speak with her husband to see if he had anything missing.

The intruder was described as being about 5'2" tall, and 145 lbs., and was wearing a dark dark sweat shirt, dark pants and dark shoes.

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

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