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Friday, January 11, 2008

## 2 Bank robbery suspects captured by LCSD



Above: Police search for two persons who abandoned this pickup (top left) after they fled the scene of a bank robbery Wednesday afternoon. Photo above right: A farmhouse and surrounding grounds were searched after the duo jumped from their vehicle.

### LC man charged in attack of pizza man

A local pizza delivery driver called in to dispatch and advised he had delivered a pizza to Oak Hill subdivision and when he got out of his vehicle to give the pizza to the individual, another subject walked up and hit him in the head with a pipe. The victim ran and got away without losing any money

(see Cowart pg. 10)



James E. Cowart

### Ldn man charged in assault with knife

Officer Jim Thearp, LPD received a call form dispatch of a fight at Peggy Ann's Kitchen. When the officer arrived he found Donnie Fields at the apartment behind the building.

Mr. Fields stated he came to the apartment to check on his kids and when he knocked on the door a man

(see Fields pg. 3)



Donnie Gene Fields

### Governor proclaims January "Radon Action Month"

Nashville, Tenn. - Governor Phil Bredesen has proclaimed January "Radon

Action Month" to help educate Tennesseans about the dangers of radon exposure

and encourage actions to identify and to address radon problems in the home.

"Home testing kits for radon are simple to use and represent an important

(see Radon pg. 11)

#### Verse of the day

Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: *Philippians 2:6*

#### Obituaries

Maudell Franklin  
Melody Leigh Dunn  
RUBY AKINS SMALLEN

#### Weather:

Today: Mostly cloudy skies early. A few showers developing later in the day. High around 50.

Tonight: Low around 33.

Saturday: Times of sun and clouds. Highs: low 50s; Lows: low 30s.

Sunday: Occasional showers possible. Highs: low 50s; Lows: low 30s.

#### Wazzup

Great Lunch Connie at The Dwelling Place in Loudon.

It's better to let sleeping dogs lie than to get them stirred up again, that's how

you get bit.

#### Horoscopes Capricorn

(Dec 22-Jan 20)

Global financial issues may seem rather remote and unreal, but today you

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

## Fields

came to the door and the two started to fight. Mr. Fields stated he was struck in the head and they scuffled inside the apartment.

The victim stated Mr. Fields had a knife and came at him trying to cut him about the neck area. The victim stated Mr. Fields did

cut his leg near the left knee area.

The victim had a cut on his knee and was looked at by Rural Metro EMS who transported the victim to the ER and Fields did have a knife in his pocket. Mr. Fields also has an active order of protection against him.

Donnie Gene Fields, 41, of Honeysuckle

Road, Loudon, was charged with aggravated assault. Officer Jim Thearp, LPD made the arrest.

## Man follows ex, charged

A local man was jailed after he reportedly followed his ex-girlfriend around in spite of having an order of protection against him.

Larry Eugene Justice, 30, of White

Wing Road, Lenoir City was charged with driving on suspended and viol. of order of protection.

According to the report, Officer Bennie Houser, LPD was dispatched to a female being followed by her ex boyfriend, which she has an order of protection against. Officers made contact with the two vehi-

cles and the male, Mr. Justice, was out of his vehicle approaching the female.

Justice was found to have a suspended license for failure to pay child support and also has an active order of protection against him from the victim. Officer Bennie Houser, LPD made the arrest.

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## Robbery

Three men suspected to be involved in a Wednesday afternoon bank robbery are now in custody.

Two suspects were caught near a house in the Orchid Grove area by Loudon County Sheriff's Department Deputies who stayed on the scene after Knox County SD left. One suspect was caught when police pulled the trio over on Watt Road. The other two jumped out of the back of the truck and ran off.

Loudon Sheriff's deputies with K-9 officers "Denero and Diego" along with Deputies Michael Watkins and Chris Jenkins, along with Corporal Paul Curtis and Lt. Dave Henderson, KCSD were patrolling in the Orchid Grove area when they spotted an open garage door that struck them as suspicious. Authorities said one dog alerted toward the deck of the house and the other quickly alerted as well; the deputies found the two suspects hid-

ing underneath the deck.

The suspects did get away from the scene of the Kingston Pike Suntrust bank robbery with an undisclosed amount of cash. Some of the money was recovered at the scene.

Law enforcement officers searched for the men in the area of Sedgfield subdivision.

## F.Y.I.

Silver Ridge Baptist Church Clothing Ministry will be hosting an open house on Saturday, January 19, 2008 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We will be offering free clothing to anyone who needs them. Located at the church annex at 439 Church Drive. If rain, date will be changed to later date.

Joann Hicks of Paint Rock and the Watsons of Madisonville & Philadelphia will be singing at Freedom House of Worship, Oak Grove Rd. (off Hotchkiss Valley Rd.) Saturday, January 26th at 7:00 p.m.

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#39 Arden	#78 B. Miller
#73 Wilkes	#110 D. Miller

One of the two being searched for was the man believed to have committed the actual robbery; he threatened a bank teller by claiming to have a bomb. No bomb has been recovered.

None of the names have yet been released.

Sheriff Tim Guider was also on the scene during the entire search and commended everyone on a job well done.

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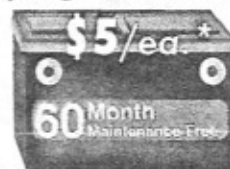
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## Joyrider has no license

A young Loudon woman was jailed after police stopped the vehicle she was driving because it was stolen. The woman also had no legal privilege to drive.

Krystal Lynn Cannon, 21, of Pathkiller Trail, Loudon, was charged with driving on suspended and joyriding.

According to the report, Sgt. Brian Jenkins, LPD encountered a vehicle matching a stolen vehicle and stopped it. The driver, Ms. Cannon was found to have a suspended license and took the vehicle without the owners permission.

It appeared that Cannon had intent to return the vehicle at some point but hadn't yet. Sgt. Brian Jenkins, LPD made the arrest.

## Stupid Criminals

**Arizona:** A man walked into a local Kwik Shop and asked for all the money in the cash drawer. Apparently, the take was

too small so he tied up the store clerk and worked the counter himself for three hours until police showed up and grabbed him.

**(Location Unknown):** A man went into a drug store, pulled a gun, announced a robbery, and pulled a Hefty-bag face mask over his head--and realized that he'd forgotten to cut eyeholes in the mask.

**On this day**

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recorded in Los Angeles



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## Cowart

and got into his vehicle and left, then called in the attack.

The description of the individuals given and the vehicle description was identified by Officer Nathan Wilson, who had written a ticket to an individual that fit the description along with the vehicle. The suspects address was on Browder Hollow Road

in Lenoir City.

Officers along with Detective Jack Fine, LCPD drove to the residence of James E. Cowart and talked with him and advised him they were investigating an assault and attempted robbery and would he agree to go with them to let the victim look at him and he said he would. Cowart was advised he was not

under arrest at that time and he agreed. Upon arrival at the Domino's the victim came within 20 feet of the vehicle and immediately identified Cowart as being the suspect involved in the assault and attempted robbery.

James E. Cowart, 21, of Browder Hollow Road, Lenoir City,

was charged with aggravated assault and attempted aggravated robbery. Detective Jack Fine, LCPD made the arrest.

## Stupid Criminals

California: A man in Orange County Municipal Court had been ticketed for driving alone in the carpool lane. He claimed that

the four frozen cadavers in the mortuary van he was driving should be counted. The judge ruled that passengers must be alive to qualify.

## On this day

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## Radon

step in protecting the health of the household," said Bredesen. "I encourage all Tennesseans to take action this month to protect their homes and loved ones from the dangers of exposure to radon."

Radon is a naturally occurring gas that can seep into homes through cracks and openings in their foundations. It cannot be seen, tasted or smelled, but, in concentrated levels, radon can

pose a threat to human health. According to Environmental Protection Agency estimates, radon is the number one cause of lung cancer among non-smokers and is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States overall.

The best time to test is during consistently cold weather, usually from October to March. This is the time of year when doors and windows are shut, so test results are more representative of

in-home exposure. Radon problems can be fixed by qualified contractors for a cost comparable to that of many common household repairs, such as painting or installing a new water heater.

In Tennessee, radon test kits can be purchased at most local hardware and home improvement stores, through the American Lung Association or by calling the Tennessee Radon Hotline at 1-800-232-1139. Limited quantities of free test kits

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are available. In addition, the Department of Environment and Conservation has partnered with the University of Tennessee Agricultural Extension Service to make low-cost radon test kits available in every county of the state through the local county extension agent. For a directory of local offices, visit [www.utextension.utk.edu/offices](http://www.utextension.utk.edu/offices).

"Our department's mission is to help safe-

guard human health and the environment for all Tennesseans," said Senior Director for Air Resources Tracy Carter. "Home testing for radon and correcting potential issues are smart ways to protect your home and your family's health."

Radon is measured in picocuries per liter of air (pCi/L), and the EPA and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend homes with radon levels at 4 pCi/L or higher should be fixed. EPA also recommends that Americans consider fixing their homes for radon levels between 2 pCi/L and 4 pCi/L.

For more information, visit Environment and Conservation's Web site at [www.tdec.net/ea/radon](http://www.tdec.net/ea/radon) or contact the department's Radon Program at 1-800-232-1139 or TDEC. [Radon@state.tn.us](mailto:Radon@state.tn.us).

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PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY**

February 05, 2008

Precinct **NEWS-REP**

**Committed and Uncommitted  
Delegates**

**2nd Congressional District  
(Vote for Three)**

- ☐ Jennifer Blackwell  
Mike Huckabee
- ☐ Ted Boyatt  
Mike Huckabee
- ☐ Coleen S. Choate  
Mike Huckabee
- ☐ David Choate  
Mike Huckabee
- ☐ James W. Dee  
Mike Huckabee
- ☐ Marianne R. McGill  
Mike Huckabee
- ☐ Cheryl Bynum  
John McCain
- ☐ Clyde R. Holmes  
John McCain
- ☐ Connie Holmes  
John McCain
- ☐ William T. Ball  
Ron Paul
- ☐ Denis Bonneau  
Ron Paul
- ☐ David Hutson  
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- ☐ Matt McClain  
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- ☐ Peggy Lambert  
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- ☐ Steve West  
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- ☐ Brian Hornback  
Uncommitted
- ☐ Write-in

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**Sales and Use Tax Referendum**

**Sales Tax Referendum**

Shall the local option sales tax be increased effective April 1, 2008 from the current rate of 2.0 cents to a rate of 2.50 cents with all the proceeds from this increase in the local option sales tax being designated as revenue for the Loudon County and Lenoir City School Systems?

☐ FOR

☐ AGAINST

**Loudon County Primary**

**County Commission  
2nd District-Seat B  
(Vote for One)**

- ☐ Tony Arden
- ☐ Shirley Reno
- ☐ Austin Shaver
- ☐ Write-in

**Assessor of Property  
(Vote for One)**

- ☐ Leo Bradshaw
- ☐ Chuck Jenkins
- ☐ Freddie G. McCrary
- ☐ Write-in



OFFICIAL BALLOT LOUDON COUNTY  
PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY

February 05, 2008

Precinct **NEWS-DEM**

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☐ John Edwards  
☐ Mike Gravel  
☐ Dennis Kucinich  
☐ Barack Obama  
☐ Bill Richardson  
☐ Uncommitted  
☐ Write-in

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(Vote for One)

- ☐ William B Jenkins  
☐ Write-in

**Assessor of Property**

(Vote for One)

- ☐ Write-in