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Friday, December 12, 2008

## Lunch lady charged with soliciting minor

A former lunch lady for the Lenoir City School System has been charged with solicitation of a minor after she is alleged to have sent sexual messages to a 15-year-old high school student.

According to the warrant, filed by Investigator Jason Smith, LCSD Criminal Investigation Division (CID), on November 1, 2008 a 15-year-old male student received text messages from Chasity Crowe, 34. The text messages from Chasity Crowe stated "I'll &#026;\$ You," and "I want to &#026;\$ you."

(see Crowe pg. 6)



Chasity Ann Crowe

## Wallet stolen

A local woman called police when she discovered someone had stolen her wallet from her vehicle.

Records indicate Deputy Chris Jenkins, LCSD responded to a theft of property (see Wallet pg. 3)

## Hidden pills lead to charges

When a Lenoir City woman turned herself in to serve jail time, a search of her bra reportedly led to the discovery

(see Hamlet pg. 6)

## Woman assaulted while sleeping

A local woman told police she was sleeping when two women came into her bedroom and attacked her.

According to records, Deputy Bryan Blakney, LCSD

was dispatched to Turman Drive in reference to an assault. Upon arrival he made contact with the victim. She advised that she had been assaulted while lying in bed

(see Assault pg. 3)

## November Revenues

Nashville, - Overall November revenue collections were \$711.9 million, or 13.16% below November 2007 collections.

"November is the fourth consecutive month this fiscal year in which sales taxes

and corporate income taxes have experienced negative growth rates," Finance and Administration Commissioner Dave Goetz said. "We are experiencing an historic revenue shortfall, but we will continue to keep

(see Revenues pg. 4)

## Credit card fraud

Authorities were called to investigate the fraudulent use of a local man's credit card after he learned someone had bought a plane

ticket on his account.

Records indicate Deputy Steve Helm, LCSD was dispatched to a Mountain View Road residence to in-

(see Fraud pg. 4)

## Driving without a license

Desiderio Garcia Pantoja, 32, of Reed Springs Road, Philadelphia, was charged with driving without a license.

According to the report, Deputy Michael Watkins, LCSD observed a black pickup on Sunnyside Road with an expired tag and stopped it. The driver, Mr.

Pantoja has no license and also received citations for registration violation and no insurance.

Coty Allen Sowards, 28, of Avery Circle, Lenoir City, was charged with driving without a license.

Records indicate Deputy Shane Ezell, LCSD observed a small black car cross the

(see No License pg. 3)

### Verse of the day

And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws, and shalt shew them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they

must do.

Exodus 18:20

### Obituaries

Connie Jernigan

Clyde Welch

Ricktor Stanley Sanders

### Weather:

Today: Sunshine and

clouds mixed. High 44.

Tonight: Clear to partly cloudy. Low 26.

Saturday: A few clouds. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the low 30s.

Sunday: Mostly cloudy.

Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the mid 40s.

### Wazzup

Happy Birthday to you: Dianna Hoskins, Jan Lord, Donald McKinney & Misty McKinney - hope they

were all wonderful!!!

### Horoscopes Sagittarius

(Nov 23-Dec 21)

You've got to keep up with a lot of activity today, but it's

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

# Obituaries

**Connie Jernigan**, age 60, of Lenoir City, passed away peacefully at her home Wednesday, December 10, 2008. Her legacy will live for countless generations through many friends and family. Connie owned and operated CARCON Auto Air. She was preceded in death by her mother, Winona Keefover and her father, Luther Keefover. Connie is survived by her husband, Carroll Jernigan; sons, Keith Murchison, Jason Clark and wife, Gina; daughter and son-in-law, Tasha and Steve Halcomb; grandchildren, Kayla, Shannon and Colby; Steven, Alex, and Ben all of Lenoir City sister and brother-in-law, Nona and John Kirkpatrick of Ft. Myers, FL; brother and sister-in-law, Ron and Karen Keefover of Topeka, KS; niece, Kelly Woodard and husband, Troy; nephews, Bradly Kelly, Christopher Keefover and Todd Keefover. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday with memorial services to follow at 7 p.m. in the Click Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Jeff Bowden officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Toys For Tots, c/o Loudon County Sheriff's Department, 12680 Highway 11 West, Suite 1, Lenoir City, TN 37771. Click

Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City serving the Jernigan family.

**Clyde Welch**, age 93, of Lenoir City, passed away Tuesday, December 9, 2008. He was preceded in death by his wife of 69 years, Alberta E. Welch; parents, William and Ida Bean Welch; infant children, Peggy and Marilyn Welch; brothers, Dewey Welch, Otis Welch and Bill Welch; sisters, Mattie Hammonds, Mary Farmer and Lois Wurts; and son-in-law, Jerry Hamilton. Clyde is survived by his children: Retha Langley and husband, Don of Georgia, Paul Welch and wife, Eva of Rockholds, KY, Judy Mason of Lenoir City, Carolyn Hensley and husband, Grover of Georgia and Nina Hamilton of Lenoir City; 16 grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren; 5 great great grandchildren; sister, Bonnie Russell; many nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday with funeral services to follow at 7 p.m. in the Click Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. David Covey officiating. Family and friends will gather at the funeral home by 10:30 a.m. Friday and proceed to Lakeview Cemetery for graveside services at 11 a.m. Grandsons will serve as pallbearers. Click Funeral

Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

**Ricktor Stanley (Rick) Sanders**, age 51 of Lenoir City passed away Tuesday, December 9, 2008. Rick was a member of Martel United Methodist Church. He was a truck driver for H & H Truck Lines. Rick loved hunting and fishing. Survived by his wife of 21 years, Pam Hulin Sanders; daughters, Krystal Lynn and Rikki Lynn; 3 grandchildren, parents, Stanley and Phyllis Sanders; brothers and sisters, Greg, Steve, Andrea and Michelle; mother-in-law, Wilma Garrison Hulin; a host of friends and family. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday with funeral services to follow at 7 p.m. in the Click Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Eddie Click officiating. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is serving the family of Rick Sanders.

## No License

center line of Broadway several times and stopped it.

The driver, Sowards was found to have no license.

Miguel Cuevas Cortes, 20, of Summer Street, Loudon, was charged with DUI 1st, violation of implied

consent and driving without a license. His passenger, Phillip Diaz Lopez, 21, of Smoking Drive, Loudon, was charged with public intoxication.

According to reports, Officer Brendan Deboer, LPD stopped a vehicle for traveling at a high rate of speed on Commerce St. The driver was identified as Miguel Cuevas Cortes and he was found to have no license and had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person.

Cortes performed poorly on sobriety tasks and refused a BAC test as well.

Lopez was unsteady on his feet and had slurred speech and was deemed a danger to himself and others if left in public. Ordenez Andres Santiago, 23, of Chicago Avenue, Knoxville, was charged with no driver's license.

According to the report, Chief Don White, LCPD stopped a vehicle in the parking lot at Chili's after the vehicle was seen driving around the business several times and had driven across the curb and through the grass.

Officer Dennis Guidner, LCPD also responded and discovered Santiago to have no license.

Timoteo Lopez Cano, 31, of North F Street, Lenoir City, was charged with driving without a license.

According to the report, Officer James Bowman, LCPD

stopped a vehicle for the driver not wearing a seat belt and Cano was found to have no license.

## Assault

asleep.

The woman stated she was asleep in bed and was awakened by two females. She identified them by their first names. The complainant stated that one of the women came in and started yelling at her and hitting her and then the other woman started hitting her in the face.

The victim said she kicked the first attacker to get her off of her and the woman jumped right back on her and continued to assault her. The suspect finally got off of her then walked out of the bedroom.

The women had already left the scene prior to the deputy's arrival. The complainant was advised of her rights to take warrants out on the subjects.

## Wallet

erty from a vehicle call at a residence on Lee Hi Lane where Mrs. Sherry Lee said sometime between Saturday and Sunday someone had taken her wallet from her vehicle.

Lee reported her wallet contained some identification cards and some cash and was taken without her knowledge or consent.

The case is under investigation.

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## Revenues

the state's budget in balance, as constitutionally required, during this national economic recession."

On an accrual basis, November is the fourth month in the 2008-2009 fiscal year.

November collections were \$106.3 million less than the budgeted estimate. The general fund was under collected by \$105.4 million and the four other funds were under collected by \$900,000.

Sales tax collections were \$53.6 million less than the estimate for November. The November growth rate was negative 7.64%.

Franchise and excise taxes combined were \$40.0 million below the budgeted estimate of \$60.5 million.

Gasoline and motor fuel collections increased by 6.0% and they were \$2.6 million above the budgeted estimate of \$74.1 million.

Tobacco tax collections were \$3.7 million below the budgeted estimate of \$28.9 million.

Inheritance taxes were under collected

by \$3.7 million.

Year-to-date collections for four months were \$324.1 million less than the budgeted estimate. The general fund was under collected by \$305.6 million and the four other funds were under collected by \$18.5 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.

## Fraud

investigate a complaint of theft. Mr. Derek Williams advised a purchase of a plane ticket had been made via the internet on his Gander Mountain Master Card.

Williams advised the purchase had been "flagged" as unusual, and he was contacted via a "Fraud Department Rep" who advised to make a report when he notified them he had not made the purchase.

The investigation is on going.

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## Crowe

On November 2, 2008 Chasity Crowe sent another sexual message to the juvenile's cell phone.

On November 13, 2008 a recorded and controlled call was made by the teen to Chasity Crowe from the Sheriff's Department and upon being asked about the text messages she advised the youth to lie to officers about them.

Upon interviewing Chasity Crowe, she stated to Detective Smith she had sent the text messages.

Chasity Ann Crowe, 34, of West Hills Drive, Lenoir City, was charged with solicitation of a minor. Investigator Smith made the arrest.

## Hamlet

of contraband pills.

Diana Sue Hamlet, 48, of Kelly Lane, Lenoir City was charged with introduction of drugs into a penal facility.

According to the report, Ms. Hamlet turned herself in at the jail to complete Rerog time for a previous charge of DUI and possession of schedule IV narcotics. While conducting a search of her person, Corporal Angi Martin found a clear cellophane wrapper with 14 light blue pills identified as Xanax and a brown pill identified as Ibuprofen in Hamlet's bra.

Cpl. Martin made the arrest.

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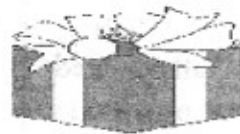


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