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## Two charged after traffic stop LC man gets 4th DUI

Two local persons were jailed after police stopped the vehicle they were in for speeding and found the driver reportedly under the influence of alcohol. The passenger also was charged and upon arriving at the jail received additional charge after drugs reportedly were found in her possession.

Christopher Curtis Fritts,  
(see Charged pg. 9)



Monica Renee McCulloch

## LC man charged with aggravated domestic violence

A local man was taken into custody after he reportedly injured a woman during a domestic dispute.

Brendon Thomas Sokol, 23, of Old Highway 95, Lenoir City, was charged with aggravated assault by domestic violence.

According to the report, Deputy Deland, LCSD, was dispatched to the Mobil gas

(see Sokol pg. 6)

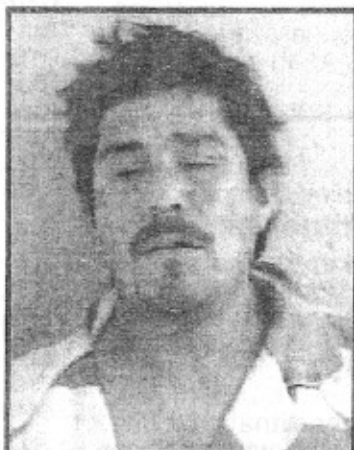


Brendon Thomas Sokol

A Lenoir City man was jailed on his fourth driving under the influence charge after police stopped his vehicle for a light violation and reportedly found him under the influence of alcohol.

Adan Martinez Salazar, 35, of Ash Avenue, Lenoir City, was charged with driving on revoked license, 4th DUI, and violation of implied consent.

According to the report,  
(see Salazar pg. 3)



Adan Martinez Salazar

## Man charged with theft from construction site

Police charged a Lenoir City man with theft following an investigation into the larceny of wood from a local construction site.

Roy Glen Covington, 32, of Dutton Road, Lenoir City, was charged with theft over \$500.

According to the warrant filed by Detective Mike

(see Covington pg. 6)



Roy Glen Covington

## TDOT Reminds Drivers, "When there's Ice and Snow, Take it Slow"

Nashville, - Snow is already falling in areas of Tennessee and Tennessee Department of Transportation

forces are committed to keeping the volunteer state's Interstates, U.S. Highways and State

Routes clear of ice and snow this winter season. December 1, 2008 marks the beginning of National

(see TDOT pg. 3)

## Commercial fishing amendment in effect

Nashville, - The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission summarily opened the  
(see Amendment pg. 4)

## Verse of the day

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of

sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts 2:38

## Obituaries

Carl William Truebe

## Weather:

Today: Mainly sunny.

High near 55.

Tonight: Partly cloudy skies early will give way to occasional showers later during the night. Low 39. Chance of rain 50%.

Thursday: Showers ending by midday.

Highs in the mid 40s and lows in the mid 20s.

## Wazzup

Congrats to Jack & Diane on your little ditty in the heartland...

Happy Birthday, Lisa - hope it was grand!

## Horoscopes Sagittarius

(Nov 23-Dec 21)

Use the great social energy that is coursing through you to meet new people and show

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

# Obituaries

**Carl W. Truebe**, age 79, of Chattanooga, formerly of Tellico Village Community, passed away Monday, December 01, 2008 at Memorial Hospital in Chattanooga. Carl was a member of Tellico Village Community Church. He retired as plant manager from ICI Americus Inc. Carl was a Lieutenant in the U.S. Army during Korean Conflict. He was preceded in death by parents; Carl Ernest Truebe and Lillian Anna Borgstede Truebe. Carl is survived by his wife of over 55 years, Ruth Wagner Truebe; children and spouses, Karl A. Truebe and wife,

Charlotte, of Ringgold, GA, Elizabeth A. Scott and husband, Barry L. of Hixson; grandchildren, Tara Lemley, Matthew Scott, Ashley Truebe and Jessica Truebe; three great-grandchildren. A Celebration of Life will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, December 13, 2008, at Tellico Village Community Church with Rev. Marty Singley officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Tellico Village Community Church, 130 Chota Center, Loudon, TN 37774. Click Funeral Home Farragut Chapel, 11915 Kingston Pike is serving the Truebe Family.

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## Salazar

Salazar was driving a 1987 Mercury Lynx on Broadway heading south. The vehicle's passenger side headlight was out. Officer James Bowman, LCPD, then did a traffic stop on the vehicle.

Upon making contact with Salazar, the officer could smell a strong odor believed to be alcohol. Salazar's speech was slurred and when asked to exit the vehicle he was unsteady on his feet. He performed poorly on the DUI test.

Officer Bowman then placed Salazar under arrest. A computer check indicated Salazar's license are revoked for DUI.

Salazar also was served a mittimus for theft under \$500.00. Sgt. Eddie Range made this arrest.

## TDOT

Winter Safe Driving Week. TDOT is teaming up with the Tennes-

see Highway Patrol to remind drivers when there's ice and snow: Take it Slow.

"TDOT crews in several parts of the state are already on the job keeping our roadways free of ice and snow," said TDOT Commissioner Gerald Nicely. "Our maintenance crews do a great job of keeping the roadways clear of ice and snow, but it's important for drivers to remember that no matter how clear the roads may look, winter conditions still call for different driving tactics, so when you're driving in ice and snow, take it slow – slower speed, slower acceleration, slower steering and slower braking."

TDOT and the THP remind motorists to dial \*THP from any cellular phone should they become stranded or need assistance when on the road.

Department of Safety Commissioner Dave Mitchell added, "Tennessee Highway Patrol Troopers are ready to assist those who need help on the road, but the best way a motorist can help is to be prepared before hitting the road by properly maintaining your vehicle, clearing your windshield of ice and snow and making sure your tires are road ready."

When snow hits Tennessee, TDOT maintenance crews will focus on clearing interstates and heavily traveled state routes first, specifically targeting areas vulnerable to freezing, like hills curves, ramps, bridges and interchanges.

TDOT Maintenance

Director Greg Duncan reminds motorists: don't crowd the plow. "When our crews hit the road, it's important for motorists to use caution around snowplows. Make sure you maintain a safe distance and don't tailgate or stop too close to a snowplow. They are usually spreading salt or brine from the back of the truck and those materials can damage vehicle paint."

TDOT currently has more than 200,000 tons of salt and more than 1.6 million gallons of salt brine ready for use. The department dedicates more than \$10 million a year to snow and ice removal operations across the state. During a typical snow event, crews begin by first apply anti-icing brine to roadways. Sand, salt and calcium chloride may then be used to remove any accumulating snow and ice.

TDOT also monitors roadway conditions through the Roadway Information System (RWIS). The department has 37 RWIS stations statewide. The stations monitor a variety of weather related factors such as air temperatures; dew-point; wind speed/direction; precipitation types and rates; and asphalt temperatures. The system alerts TDOT maintenance supervisors when freezing conditions are imminent.

All Tennesseans can monitor roadway conditions before leaving home by visiting the Tennessee 511 website at [www.tn511.com](http://www.tn511.com) or by dialing 511 from any land line or cellular phone.

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## Amendment

season on paddlefish by passing an amendment to the Tennessee Commercial Fishing Proclamation at last month's meeting of the TWRC. The new regulations are in effect as of Dec. 2, after filing with the Office of the Tennessee Secretary of State.

The commercial paddlefish season will now be open from Nov. 15 through April 15 each year and this season applies to all waters of the state that are open to commercial paddlefish harvest (including the Mississippi River).

A 36-inch minimum eye-to-fork length will apply to all commercially harvested paddlefish except for those harvested from the Mississippi River where the minimum eye-to-fork length limit will be 34 inches. All other regulations and requirements that were previously in place will remain in effect.

## Police Beat

Fairon Wayne Kelley II, 18, of Beulah Drive, Louisville, was charged with underage consumption and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Records indicate Deputy Jerramie Bow-

en, LCSD responded to Highway 95 North on a subject that was in the house with an underage girl. Upon arrival, several persons were found outside the residence and there was a male standing in the driveway with no shirt on. He was identified as Fairon Wayne Kelley.

The mother of the sixteen year old girl stated that she heard someone in her daughter's room and when she went to the door, it was locked and she tried to get in. At that time, the daughter came to the door in nothing but a towel wrapped around her and Mr. Kelley was climbing out the window.

Upon speaking with him, Kelley had a strong odor of alcohol coming from his person. He stated he had a few beers. Mr. Kelley also stated that his friend had dropped him off and he had climbed through the window of the female's room.

Kelley was then arrested and Deputy Bowen spoke with the underage girl who stated that they did have oral sex and that Kelley had put his fingers inside her and that she gave him oral sex.



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## Sokol

station in Lenoir City to speak with a complainant involved in a domestic situation. Upon arrival, Deputy Deland spoke with the complainant and she stated that her boyfriend, Brendon Sokol, came home intoxicated. He demanded that she give him the title to her vehicle and she looked for it but couldn't find it. He became very angry and combative towards her.

The woman stated she got into her mother's van and when she was attempting to leave, Brendon reached into the van and tried to take the keys out of the

ignition. She stated he grabbed her left hand, twisting her fingers backwards until she heard them pop several times. She had small cuts on her face, a busted lip, and her left hand was swollen.

While speaking with the woman, a male subject walked up. He stated that he was the complainant's boyfriend. Deputy Deland asked him what happened. He stated they got into an argument. He said that he did try to keep her from leaving.

The deputy then asked him how he got there and Sokol said that his brother dropped him off.

Brendon Thomas

Sokol was found to be the primary aggressor. Mr. Sokol was charged with aggravated domestic violence and transported to the Loudon County jail.

## Covington

Newman, LPD, Covington went to a construction site located along Highway 72 North, Loudon and while there he loaded ply wood into a truck and took it without he owner's knowledge or permission. Detective Newman made the arrest.

## Police Beat

Donald Eugene Street, 52, of North Broadway, Knoxville, was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Daniel Ferguson made the

arrest at the Knox County jail and transported Mr. Street to the Loudon County jail without incident.

Daniel Rodriguez, 28, of Rogers Circle, Lenoir City, was charged with no drivers license and no proof of insurance.

According to re-

cords the arrest came after Rodriguez was involved in an accident on Old Highway 95 and he was found to be unlicensed and uninsured.

Lt. Gill Morgan made the arrest.

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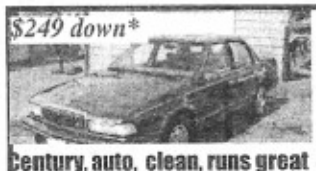
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## Police Beat

Officer Bennie Houser observed a vehicle turn from Grove St. onto Clyde St. with Jason Lynn Roberts, 21, of River St., Loudon, driving the vehicle. The officer had prior knowledge of Mr. Roberts' license being suspended.

After turning around the vehicle had stopped on Clyde St. beside the Loudon Medical Arts Building. As the officer approached the vehicle, Mr. Roberts exited from the passenger side and his sister exited from the driver's side.

The officer advised Mr. Roberts of why he had stopped him and asked to see his and his sister's drivers li-

censes. After running Mr. Roberts' name and date of birth through the 911 center, the status came back suspended.

Mr. Roberts appeared to be intoxicated and stated he had drank one beer. He also stated that he was driving the vehicle and had switched with his sister.

Roberts performed poorly on the field sobriety tests he was given. Mr. Roberts was read the implied consent and refused because he stated that it would show marijuana in his blood.

Officer Houser made the arrest, charging Mr. Roberts with DUI 1st, driving on suspended license, and violation of implied

consent.

Lynn A. Sowards, 48, of Fox Road, Knoxville, was charged with DUI and implied consent.

Trooper William M. Garrett observed the defendant on southbound Highway 11 as he ran off the road several times. When stopped, Sowards appeared intoxicated with his eyes red, watery and glassy and he was very unsteady on his feet. He had a strong odor of intoxicant on his breath and his speech was slurred.

The lawman reported Sowards stated he had two beers. Mr.

Sowards couldn't do any sobriety tests. He just wanted to argue and held onto the car.

Mr. Sowards also stated he was on medication and refused the BAC test at the jail.

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## Charged

28, of Gregory Road, Greenback, was charged with DUI 2nd offense and driving on revoked.

Monica Renee McCulloch, 24, of Abbott Road, Lenoir City, was charged with public intoxication, possession of schedule 4 narcotics, possession of schedule 6 narcotics, and introduction into a penal facility.

According to records, Deputy Michael Watkins, LCSD, observed a gray Chevy truck traveling at a high rate of speed on Highway 11 near Dixie Lee Junction. He caught up to the vehicle near Ford Road and was following it at a speed of 70 - 80 mph in a 50 mph zone.

The officer reported as he stopped the vehicle the driver put his hands down and appeared to be digging in the seat between himself and the passenger.

The driver was identified as Mr. Christopher Curtis Fritts and it was noted he had a strong odor of alcoholic beverage about his person and slurred speech. A check through NCIC showed Mr. Fritts to have a revoked license for DUI.

Mrs. Monica Renee McCulloch was the passenger in the vehicle and both were taken from the truck for officer safety. Fritts was placed under arrest for DUI.

Mrs. McCulloch reportedly had a strong odor of alcoholic beverage about her per-

son and became very disorderly. She was charged with public intoxication.

When Mrs. McCulloch arrived at the Loudon County jail, Cpl. Angie Martin advised her before she entered the jail if she had any drugs she needed to turn them over before entering the jail or it would be another charge and Mrs. McCulloch denied having any and entered the jail. During a search, Cpl. Martin found approximately 6 grams of marijuana in McCulloch's crotch area and a small oval pill identified as Xanax in her pocket.

Due to Mr. Fritts' history of fighting with law enforcement, after Mr. Fritts was charged with driving on revoked license, field sobriety tests were to

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be administered at the Loudon County jail. Upon arrival at the jail, Mr. Fritts began fighting the corrections officers and had to be placed in the restraint chair for his safety and the safety of officers.

Several attempts were made to remove Mr. Fritts from the chair and he continued to fight.

Fritts also received citations for speeding, registration violation, financial responsibility, and open container due to a open half of a fifth of bourbon found in the seat of the truck. Deputy Watkins attempted to read Mr. Fritts the implied consent form and while he was reading Fritts began yelling and told the officer he was not taking no test and re-

fused to listen to any other words. Mr. Fritts was cited for violation on implied consent law.

## Police Beat

Tina Y. Gutierrez, 31, of Ferry Street, Loudon, was charged with driving on suspended. Patrolman Jason Felts, LPD, observed a purple Plymouth Voyager run a red light at the intersection of Word Avenue and Mulberry Street. After stopping the vehicle at the Quick Pantry on Mulberry, Officer Felts was advised by the driver, Mrs. Tina Gutierrez, that her license are suspended.

After a check through T.I.E.S., the officer found that Gutierrez's driving privileges are suspended. Officer Felts made the arrest.

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