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Wednesday, January 23, 2008

Icy Road to blame in fatal crash



photo top left Deputy Bryan Blakney checks on the woman to make sure she is okay.
bottom above: the same vehicle just minutes later at Hwy 11
photo left: emergency workers are on the scene

Icy Roads plagued Loudon County as officers from third shift were asked to stay and others called in early in response to numerous accident calls throughout the county.

A local woman was involved in two crashes Tuesday morning the 2nd of which was fatal. Deputy Bryan Blakney, LCSD responded to Muddy Creek at Old Midway Road to a one vehicle accident and checked on the woman to see if medical attention was necessary at that time due to them being tied up on so many other calls.

The woman only complained of a minor injury and drove away. (see Crash pg. 4)



The World by Gus

Wow, Knoxville got a bunch of black ice Tuesday morning. Now I know I'm not the sharpest tool in the shed, but why didn't they

use the salt. Oh yeah, they used it when we didn't get snow. Seems that's what they do, a call for snow, use all the salt; actually get

(see Gus pg. 3)

Underage party busted up by LCSD

Deputy Michael Watkins and Corporal Chad Estes, LCSD received a call of disturbing the peace of a loud

party in a field beside Everett Williams Road. Upon arrival there were people yelling and music playing that could

(see Party pg. 6)

Verse of the day

Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.

Give her of the fruit of her hands: and let her own works praise her in the gates.

Proverbs 31:30-31

Obituaries

David Allen Currier

Dr. James Roy Guyton Jr.

William Robert Harvey

James (Jim) Langford

Cecile R. McKeehan

Warren G. Ratledge

Judy Ann Trego

Weather:

Today: Intervals of clouds and sunshine. High 44F.

Tonight: Mainly clear skies. Low 23F.

Thursday: Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 20s and lows in the low teens. Some precipitation possible.

Wazzup

Sure hope you get well soon Randy Harrell and remember we're here for ya.

A big shout out to the skiers and boarders out there this weekend in NC was a great place to be.

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Gus

freezing rain or snow, let 'em play bumper cars. Maybe they are in cahoots with the wrecker services and auto body guys, remember this is Knox County so they really might be.

I stayed at the house and watched cars slide down the hill in front of my house and

pile up at the bottom. Why do people get out in this stuff, try to go to work to make a buck, but take the risk of tearing up your vehicle or maybe even get hurt. Don't you people know that us Tennesseans can't drive on the snow and ice. I've lived here all my life and yes I can't drive in the stuff, that whole breaking thing

throws me off a bit, I guess maybe doing 60 doesn't help either. If I'm lucky, I don't hit anything, but I still spill my coffee, so as I get older, I stay at home and watch everyone else do it, don't spill coffee that way.

Gus

Police beat

Eulogio Hernandez Ramirez, 25, of Branch Road, Loudon, was

charged with driving on expired license.

According to the report, Officer John McHugh, LPD was dispatched to a non-injury accident.

Upon arrival the officer was met by Barbara Taylor and Mr. Ramirez. They then explained to the officer that Ms. Taylor was backing out of

the post office parking lot and hit Mr. Ramirez pickup.

There were minor damages to both vehicles. Upon writing up the accident report it was discovered Ramirez was driving on an expired license. Officer John McHugh, LPD made the arrest.

Shawn Stephen Clark, 27, of Big Sandy Road, Philadelphia, was charged with a mittimus out of Lenoir City.

Officer Jamie Whitt, LCPD made the arrest.

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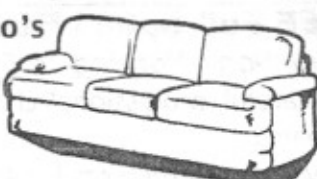
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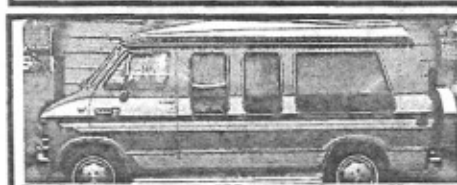
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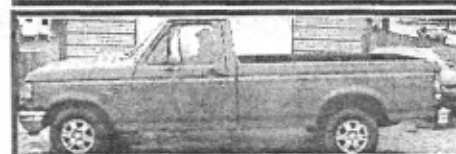
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Crash

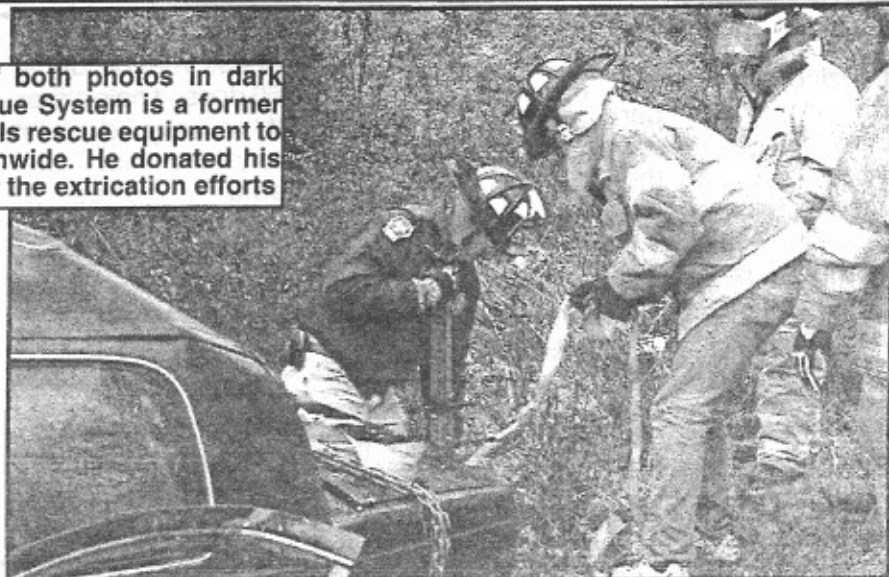
Just minutes later authorities responded to Hwy 11 just before Shaw Ferry Road to a one vehicle accident. The driver had veered off the road after sliding on black ice and hit a telephone pole head on, killing the driver.

Detective Jeff Vittatoe, LCSD CID along with Detective Patrick Upton and Asst. Chief Deputy James Da-

vis II, patrol division, Rural Metro EMS and Loudon County Rescue Squad all responded. THP is handling the investigation.

Rural Metro EMS transported the woman to Ft. Sanders Loudon Medical Center where she was pronounced dead.

Tim Keeble (center of both photos in dark jacket) of Keeble Rescue System is a former fire fighter who now sells rescue equipment to fire departments nationwide. He donated his time and equipment for the extrication efforts



NOTICE

Personnel Committee Meeting

Lenoir City Personnel Committee will meet at City Hall, in the small meeting room, on Monday, January 28, 2008 at 3:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to begin conducting interviews for the position of Codes Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector.

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Party

be heard from a good distance.

Cpl. Estes and Deputy Watkins walked in the field and made contact with several underage people drinking.

Thomas Ian Grobe was hiding his beer behind a tree and he stated he was 18. Mr. Grobe had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage about his person and when asked he stated he had consumed approximately 4 beers. Mr. Grobe was also found to have a glass pipe with marijuana residue on it in his back pocket.

Thomas Ian Grobe, 18, of Craig Road, Knoxville, was charged with underage consumption and poss. of drug paraphernalia.

Charles Martin Walter, 19, of Merrywood Drive, Knoxville, was charged with underage consumption after he was found passed out in a tent with a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and stated he had consumed 1 or 2 beers.

Andrew Taylor Grobe, 18, of Craig Road, Knoxville, was charged with underage consumption and there he admitted to drinking 6 beers.

Huntington Davis Kesterson, 18, of Cherokee Springs Way, Knoxville, was charged with underage consumption. Kesterson was very unsteady on his feet and had slurred speech and stated he had consumed 4 beers.

Hunter Davis Alley, 18, of Nubbin Ridge Road, Knoxville, was charged with poss. of drug paraphernalia. During a search of his person a glass pipe with marijuana residue was found in his jacket pocket.

Nathaniel Cooper Hardison, 18, of Nokomis Circle, Knoxville, was charged with underage consumption. Hardison was very unsteady on his feet and had slurred speech and admitted to drinking one beer.

Corporal Chad Estes and Deputy Michael Watkins, LCSD made the arrests.

Police beat

Nathan Anthony James, of South Lancing, Oak Ridge, was charged with VOP.

According to the affidavit, James was convicted of speeding and DORL and was sentenced to probation for 11 months 29 days.

Since then he has failed to report to probation officer; failed to pay costs/fines, owes \$1196; failed to pay supervision fees, owes \$435; failed to respond to notices. Deputy Adam Bryant, LCSD made the arrest.

Brittney Dawn Cox, 21, of Steekee Road, Loudon, was charged with a bad check.

F.Y.I.
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

According to the warrant, Cox wrote a check to Bimbo's for \$37.17 that was returned on a closed account. Deputy Adam Bryant, LCSD made the arrest.

Jeremy Justin Lee, 26, of Cave Creek Road, Loudon, was charged with DUI.

According to the report, Lt. David Flynn,

LCPD responded to Hwy 321 and found that Lee had been involved in an accident and admitted to driving.

Lee had slurred speech and was incoherent. He could not perform sobriety tasks and was taken to the ER for a BAC test. Lt. David Flynn, LCPD made the arrest.

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T.J. and Roy Wilkerson all of Loudon County. Judy had many special friends at First Baptist Church Concord, First Baptist Church Lenoir City, ORNL and the Y-12/K-25 Plants. The family would like to invite all of their friends and area church members to receive friends from 5 to 7:45 p.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church Concord with funeral services to follow at 8 p.m. with Dr. Doug Sager, Rev. Phillip Martin and Dr. James Clayton officiating. Family and friends will gather at Click

Funeral Home in Lenoir City by 10:30 a.m. Friday and proceed to Loudon County Memorial Gardens for 11 a.m. graveside services and interment. Serving as pallbearers will be: Jim Otto, Bob Wrather, David Breeding, Anthony Conkin, Emmette Thompson, Jerry Epps and Mark Bradley. Those wishing to make memorial contributions may send them to First Baptist Church Concord Building Fund, 11704 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37934 or Dixie Lee Baptist Church Building Fund, Lenoir City.

Police beat

Michael James Amble, 44, of McGhee Blvd, Lenoir City was charged with DUI 1st. according to the report, Officer Jason Butler, LCPD observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed through the Ingle's parking lot and hit a shopping cart. Upon stopping the vehicle the driver, Mr. Amble had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person

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and slurred speech. He was unsteady on his feet when exiting his vehicle and registered .12% on the intoximeter at the jail. Officer Jason Butler, LCPD made the arrest.

Clara Sue Porter, 62, of S. Main Street, Sweetwater, was charged with theft under \$500 and criminal trespassing. Accord-

ing to the report, Porter was observed in the grocery department of Walmart concealing 3 lipsticks, a mirror, deodorant, batteries and a 50 pack of jewel cases and proceed to the front of the store to check out and paid for only a few items without paying for the concealed items. Porter was stopped exiting the store and admitted to stealing items valued at \$56.60. Porter has been banned from Walmart property in the past. Officer Mike Hodges, LCPD made the arrest.

Sabrina Lynn Thompson, 24, of Floyd Porter Road, Maryville, was charged with failure to appear. Deputy Rob Lane, LCSD made the arrest.

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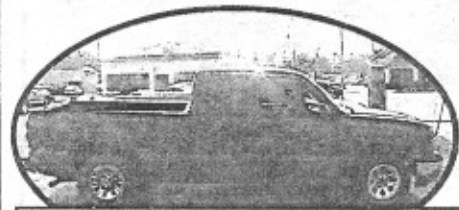
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