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Tuesday, February 12, 2008

Murder in L

Victim alive on arrival, dies at hospital



Hooters customer gets lost in Loudon County while DUI

Police arrested a Dan- off the roadway. The man for a time with the wheels home from Hooters.

dridge man after seeing his reportedly told officers he vehicle speeding and driving was lost and was on his way

(see Brooks pg. 8)

Dept. of Health urges safety precautions in storm, tornado aftermath

Tennessee counties work to from illness and injury. move forward in the afterof Health reminds citizens to

As residents in several take precautions to stay safe

"Our hearts are with all math of devastating storms those who have lost loved this week, the Department ones and suffered injury and loss of possessions,

(see Precautions pg. 3)

(see Murder pg. 7)

photo: This is the residence on Town Creek Road where Harvey shot McMahan



John Kenneth Harvey

Revoked driver still on roadway



A Lenoir City man who struck head on a local man just a few years ago is still on the roadway. This time fortunately Detective Jonathan

(see Heiple pg. 9)

Obscured tag results in arrests of 2 for simple possession+

vehicle because the tag was paraphernalia.

Two young Knoxville men obscured and found the were taken into custody pair was in possession of a after police stopped their small amount of drugs and

(see Charged pg. 9)

Tennessee's January pay check

collections of the Tennessee Department of Revenue were \$1,053,111,555, a increase of \$42,437,501 or

Nashville, - January 2008 4.2 percent from January 2007 collections.

> Sales and use tax collections totaled \$693,110,035, a decrease of \$9,561,064

(see Collections pg. 8)

Verse of the day Obituaries

And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ve that I am able to do this? They said unto him, Yea. Matthew 9:28 Lord.

Virginia Jenkins James A. (J. A.) Cornelius, Jr.

Weather:

Today: Showers in the morning becoming a steady rain in the afternoon. Windy. High 58.

Tonight: A steady rain early

tapering to showers and becoming mixed with snow late. Low around 35.

Wednesday: Showers of rain and snow early. Highs: upper 30s; Lows; mid 20s. .

Wazzup

Happy Birthday, Mary Arden! Are you 29 and holding????

Horoscopes Aguarius

(Jan 21-Feb 19)

You've got big ideas for what to do next, but you've got to put at least a little bit of energy behind them today if you want to get

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Precautions

said Health Commissioner Susan R. Cooper, MSN, RN. "Now that cleanup efforts are underway, we are working to help protect the health of Tennessee citizens and make them aware of the risks of injury and illness that can be caused by situations encountered after such severe weather."

Thousands of resi-

dents in communities impacted by Tuesday's storms lost electrical service to their homes and businesses, and many are still without power. Environmentalists with the Department of Health have been visiting restaurants and schools in these communities to ensure food supplies are safe, and that all food items are handled properly. Individuals also need to

be aware that home food safety could be compromised by lack of electricity. Perishable foods such as meat, poultry, seafood, milk, eggs and leftovers that are not kept adequately refrigerated or frozen may cause illness if consumed, even when they are thoroughly cooked. Discard any perishable food that has been above 40° for two hours or more. Refrigerated food should be safe as long as the power was out for no more than four hours. Throw away food that may have come in contact with storm water.

Residents who are using combustion space heaters during power outages are urged to follow safety precautions. Keep all heat sources at least three feet away from

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never place a space heater on furniture or near water, and never leave children unattended near a space heater. Outdoor grills and portable gas camp stoves should not be used indoors for heating or cooking, as they pose a risk of potentially deadly carbon monoxide poisoning.

Cleanup efforts may involve the use of power tools and heavy equipment to remove fallen trees and limbs and remove other debris. Each year, approximately 36,000 people in the U.S. are treated in hospital emergency departments for injuries from using chain saws, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The Department of Health

reminds citizens to be cautious and follow all manufacturer instructions when using any such equipment, especially if the user is unaccustomed to operating such machinery. Equipment operators should wear appropriate protective items, including hard hats, safety glasses, work gloves and ear covers to protect against hearing loss. Do not use any piece of equipment that appears to be damaged in any way, including damage to an electrical cord.

To learn more about staying safe after a disaster and how to prepare your home and family for future emergencies, visit the CDC Web site at http:// emergency.cdc.gov/









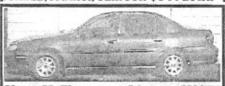
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Police Beat

Darrel L. Poynter, 47, of Vonore Road, Loudon, was charged with DUI 2nd and violation of implied consent.

According to the report. Deputy Freddie Gene Walker, LCSD was flagged down in reference to a vehicle all over the road. The deputy pulled out and observed a white vehicle cross over the vellow line and pull into the Grizzly Pig.

The deputy went to the driver's side and asked Mr. Poynter about him being all over

the road and he was smoking a cigarette. Povnter had slurred speech and appeared to be under the influ-

Povnter admitted to drinking 2-3 beers and refused sobriety tasks and refused to give blood for a BAC test. Deputy Freddie Gene Walker, LCSD made the arrest.

Hilario Herrera Cifuentes, 26, of Mincey St., Lenoir City, was charged with no driver license and flashing blue liaht.

According to the re-

port, Cifuentes was stopped for having a flashing blue light on the rear of his vehicle and found to have no license. Lt. David Flynn, LCPD made the arrest.

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Jason Harold Osborne, 31, of Maze Road, Knoxville, was charged with failure

to appear.

Deputy Lonnie Gaut, LCSD made the arrest.



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Murder

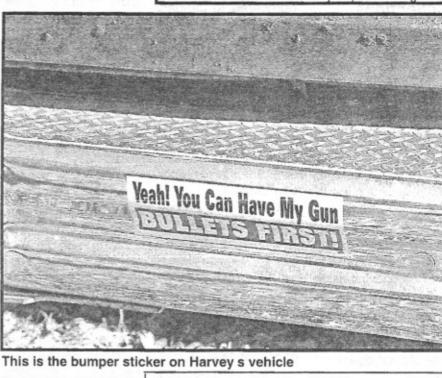
According to Investigator Charles Cosner, LCSD CID: On February 9th, 2008 at approximately 9:40am, Loudon County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to 8015 Town Creek Road East, Lenoir City for an emergency call involving someone being shot. Upon arrival deputies located Savannah Mc-Mahan lying on the floor in the living room area of the residence with what appeared to be a gunshot wound to her abdomen. Deputies also found John Kenneth Harvey, identified as Ms. McMahan's boyfriend, kneeling near her head. The Sheriff Deputies secured the scene and notified investigators to respond to the scene. After gathering evidence from the scene and based on statements made by Mr. Harvey, John Kenneth Harvey is charged with second degree murder based on the following facts.

During the morning hours of February 9th Mr. John Harvey left his residence on

Town Creek Road after an argument with his girlfriend, Savannah Cass McMahan. Mr. Harvey returned to the residence a short time later and again the argument ensued between him and Ms. McMahan. Based on evidence from the scene and statements made by John Kenneth Harvey Mr. Harvey retrieved a .22 caliber handgun and discharged one round which struck Savannah Cass Mc-Mahan in the left abdomen, Ms. McMahan was transported by Rural Metro EMS to Fort Loudon Emergency Room where she died from her injuries.

John Kenneth Harvev. 25.of Town Creek Road E, Lenoir City was charged with 2nd degree murder. Investigator Charles Cosner, LPD CSI filed the charged and made the arrest.

Harvey was arraigned Monday morning and placed under a \$75,000 bond. The Judicial Commissioner Ms. Sissy Chapman also pointed out to Mr.



Harvey's attorney there will be felony drug charges also placed against Harvey that investigators were in the process of writing.

Later that morning Sqt. Billy Hall, LCSD ND, filed charges for possession of schedule VI for resale and possession of drug paraphernalia and Chapman placed him under \$6000 bond for those charges.

Police beat

Elie Musset Pilet. Jr., 29, of Gleason Road, Knoxville, was charged with VOP.

According to the affidavit. Pilet was convicted of DORL. imp. pass. Display; traf. sign vio., financial resp and reckless driving and was sentenced to proba-

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tion for 11 months 29 days.

Since then he has failed to report to probation officer; failed to pay costs/fines. cwes \$1546; failed to pay supervision fees, owes \$540; and failed to respond to notices.

Deputy Brandon Wilson, LCSD made the arrest.

Donald Eric Myers, 40, of Wright St., Sweetwater, was charged with DUI 1st and driving on suspended.

According to the report, Officer John McHugh, LPD received a call on a blue vehicle driving erratically on Hwy 11 by the high school.

The officer observed a blue vehicle stopped in the roadway and checked the tag. The officer stopped the vehicle and the driver, Mr. Myers was found to have a suspended

license.

Myers was unsteady on his feet and performed poorly on sobriety tasks.

Officer John McHugh, LPD made the arrest.

Don Edward Mc-Collister 3rd, 25, of Simmons Road. Philadelphia, was charged with DUI.

According to the report, Deputy Brandon Dixon, LCSD observed a white vehicle on Hwy 11 cross the center line several times and stopped

Upon making contact with the driver. Mr. McCollister, he was unsteady on his feet and had difficulty giving information. McCollister advised he had taken a two prescription pills prior to driving. A BAC was taken at the hospital. Deputy Brandon Dixon, LCSD made the arrest.



Collections

or 1.4 percent from January 2007 collections.

Collections from the retail trade group decreased 2 percent. Items with significant changes include:

*Food stores: up 2.9 percent

*Building materials: down 13.8 percent

*Motor vehicle dealers and service stations: down 5.3 percent (with a 6.7 percent decline in the new, used motor vehicle sub-category item)

*General merchandise stores: down 1.2 percent

*Furniture and home furnishings: down 4.0 percent

Collections from the service group decreased 0.3 percent from January 2007. Business services were up 3.7 percent and other services were down 25.9 percent.

Collections from the non-retail, non-services group declined 0.7 percent led by a gain in construction (up 27.5 percent), but this was partially offset by wholesale trade (down 4 percent).

Consumer use collections were \$473,580, a decline of \$277,430 (36.9 percent) from January 2007.

Franchise and excise tax collections were \$180,619,555, an increase of \$49,200,407 or 37.4 percent when

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Tobacco tax collections were \$23,189,371, an increase of \$15,037,475 or 184.5 percent over the collection of January 2007.

Inheritance and estate tax collections were \$5,237,150, an increase of \$2,165,866 or 70.5 percent from January 2007.

Motor vehicle fuel tax collections were \$12,581,456, a decrease of \$4,888,529 or 28 percent from January 2007.

Gasoline tax collec-

tions were \$52,294,231, a decline of \$4,123,840 or 7.3 percent from January 2007.

Privilege tax collections were \$22,404,819, a decrease of \$3,366,179 or 13.1 percent compared to January 2007.

Income tax collections amounted to \$4,730,454, a decrease of \$1,939,982 or 29.1 percent from January 2007.

Motor vehicle registration tax collections amounted to \$17,025,462, a decline of \$1,363,064 or 7.4 percent from January 2007.

The Department of Revenue is responsible for the administration of state tax laws and motor vehicle title and registration laws established by the legislature and the collection of taxes and fees associated with those laws. The Department

of Revenue collects approximately 92 percent of total state tax revenue. During the 2006-2007 fiscal year, the department collected \$11 billion in state taxes and fees. In addition to collecting state taxes, \$1.9 billion of local sales tax was collected by the department for local governments during the 2006-2007 fiscal year. Besides collecting taxes, the department enforces the revenue laws fairly and impartially in an effort to encourage voluntary taxpayer compliance. The department also apportions revenue collections for distribution to the various state funds and local units of government. To learn more about the department, log on to www.Tennes-

Brooks

see.gov/revenue.

James Gordon Brooks, 41, of Tristan Lane, Dandridge, was charged with DUI and viol. of implied consent.

According to the report, Sgt. Jimmey Wiggins, LCSD observed a gray vehicle on Hwy 11 going well over the speed limit and followed the vehicle and observed it cross the line several times. The vehicle drove for about a mile and a half with tires off the roadway as well and the officer stopped it.

The driver, James Brooks stated he was lost and trying to find the interstate to get back to Dandridge and that he was coming from Hooters.

Mr. Brooks stated he consumed about 3 beers and he was unsteady on his feet and performed poorly on sobriety tasks. Brooks refused a BAC test as well. Sgt. Jimmey Wiggins, LCSD made the arrest.

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Charged

Robby Allen Williams, 23, of Canton Hollow Road, Knoxville, was charged with simple poss. sch. VI and poss. of drug paraphernalia.

According to the report, Officer Brendan Deboer, LPD observed a white ve-

hicle with a plastic tinted license plate obstructing the view of the tag number and stopped it. The driver, Mr. Williams and the passenger Joshua Dunham appeared to be nervous. Williams had glassy eyes and seemed confused.

Upon asking if they had done anything

illegal both advised they had smoked marijuana earlier in the day.

A search of the vehicle produced a cigarette containing a green leafy substance believed to be marijuana, rolling papers and eye drops. Officer Brendan Deboer, LPD made the arrest.

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The passenger, Joshua Adam Dunham, 24, of Canton Hollow Road, Knoxville, was charged with simple poss. of sch. VI. Officer Brendan Deboer, LPD made the arrest.

Heiple

Sartin, LCPD stopped Demetric Duwayne Heiple before he possibly had another accident while he has a revoked license. The victim in that accident still suffers from injuries received from Heiple's total disregard for traffic laws.

According to the report, Demetric Heiple was stopped for a headlight out and asked for his license. Heiple stated they were revoked and a check through NCIC

showed them to be revoked. Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD made the arrest.

Police Beat

Gabriel Ray Russell, 29, of Highland Avenue, Loudon, was charged with DUI 2nd and violation of implied consent.

According to the report, Officer Bennie Houser, LPD observed a vehicle straddling the center line of the roadway and stopped it. The driver, Mr. Russell was found to have an odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and was unsteady on his feet.

Russell stated he had been to the fights and had drank two beers and smoked some marijuana. The officer found two beers still cold and Russell refused a BAC test.



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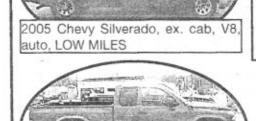
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