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Thursday, March 13, 2008

3rd DUI for LC woman after hitting school bus and fleeing

Sgt. Jimmy Whitt, THP reported Eva M. Hightower was involved in an accident on Muddy Creek Road after she crossed the centerline and struck a school bus. She then fled the scene to her residence on Old Spears Road.

When the Trooper arrived at her residence Hightower appeared to be under the

(see Hightower pg. 7)



Eva M. Hightower

Accused stalker charged with Arson

A local man charged with stalking a woman has been charged with burning down a structure at her residence.

According to the warrant, filed by Sgt. Detective Patrick Upton, LCSD CID; on or about March 4th, a Ms. Simmons reported a fire at an outbuilding located beside her trailer. Upon further investigation it was learned

(see Moree pg. 8)

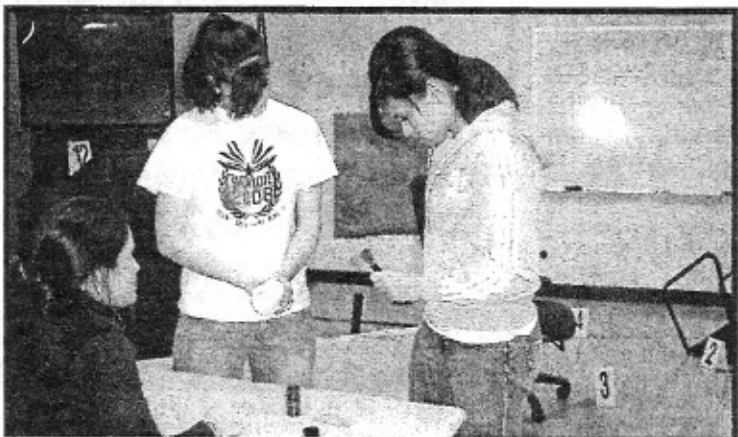


Rickey Dewight Moree

LCSD stages mock scene for students

Investigator Charles Cosner of the Loudon County Sheriff's Department helped students from the Lenoir City High School Forensics class hone their skills recently for the upcoming state competition in Crime Scene Investigation. The class is offered at Lenoir City High School and is the current defending state champion in the event held in Chattanooga annually.

(see Forensics pg. 4)



Students of Lenoir City High School Forensics class examine evidence at a mock crime scene in preparation for an upcoming state competition

Man charged in theft of truck

Investigator Charles Cosner, LCSD CSI charged a Loudon man with theft

(see Cosner pg. 9)

4 nabbed with pills and more

Officer Bennie Houser, LPD was at the Loudon Shell when Dedra Darlene Shell approached him and he noticed a strong odor of an intoxicant about her

(see Nabbed pg. 3)

Signs going up in preparation for I-40 closure

Knoxville, - The signs across the Knoxville area of change are going up all and although the signs will

(see Signs pg. 6)

Woman gets "All Jacked Up", goes to jail

A local woman was jailed intoxicated and assaulted after she reportedly got several persons in a ve-

(see Taylor pg. 8)

Verse of the day

Ye shall therefore keep my statutes and my judgments, and shall not commit any of these abominations; neither any of your own nation, nor any stranger that sojour-

neth among you:

Leviticus 18:26

Obituaries

Billy Ray Faulkner

Weather:

Today: Generally sunny despite a few afternoon clouds. High 72.

Tonight: Considerable

cloudiness. Low 48.

Friday: Showers, maybe a rumble of thunder. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the low 50s.

Wazzup

Happy Birthday, Larry Cook! Hope your day is awesome!

Horoscopes Pisces

(Feb 20-Mar 20)

Love is in the air and you can't help but get carried away by it! No matter what your romantic situation is today, it is going to be im-

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Nabbed

person. The officer asked Miss Shell if she had been drinking and she stated she had been drinking a mixed drink of Vodka while driving up the interstate. Miss Shell stated she would brush her teeth. The officer asked Miss Shell if there was any alcohol in the vehicle

and she stated o. The officer asked if she could search the vehicle and she stated he could.

While looking through the vehicle the officer found a little black bag in the center console with 9 pink pills and a half of another, which Miss Shell stated, was Lortab wrapped in a sandwich bag.

There was also some green plant material believed to be marijuana in the plastic of a cigarette wrapper in the black bag also, which Miss Shell stated was hers. Miss Shell stated she had a prescription for the Lortab but did not have it on her. Miss Shell stated she was driving home to Johnson City from Atlanta. Officer April Farmer stated she saw Miss Shell exit the vehicle from the drivers seat. Miss Shell performed poorly on sobriety tasks and gave a BAC at the hospital. Miss Shell stated they ate supper and she had drank two beers there also.

Dedra Darlene Shell, 42, of Smith Bridge

Road, Limestone, TN, was charged with DUI 1st, poss. of sch. VI and poss. of sch. II.

Karen Renea Thornburg, 35, of West Ridge Road, Jonesborough, TN was charged with poss. of sch. II. Thornburg was found to have a half of a Lortab in her pocket and she stated Miss Shell gave it to her.

Eileen Allean Gillenwater, 36, of Summerville Road, Kingsport, was charged with poss. of sch. VI and poss. of drug paraphernalia. According to the report, Gillenwater stated she had a marijuana pipe and a small amount of marijuana

in her pocketbook. The officer then found a small sandwich bag with a green plant material believed to be marijuana in it.

Charlee Arlene Holloway, 36, of Ridgeview Drive, Gray, TN, was charged with poss. of sch. VI. Holloway was found with some green plant material believed to be marijuana in her pocketbook. Officer Bennie Houser, LPD, made the arrests.

Police Beat

Zachary Hershel Guinn, 21, of Ball Road, Cleveland, was charged with a mittimus out of Lenoir City for theft under \$500.

Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.

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Forensics

Competitors from eight different schools competed in the event last year and as many as fifteen schools are scheduled to try and take LCHS's crown this year at the April 14th event. Competitions at the event include evidence collection, crime scene sketching and crime scene photography.

As a precursor for the competition, investigator Cosner staged a mock crime scene for the students to investigate. LCHS students participated in their various fields of study such as evidence collection: Ashley Howard, Crime Scene Sketching: Jessica Burns and Liv Bailey, and Crime Scene Photography: Porsche Wriddings.

The crime scene consisted of a simulated slaying that appeared at a first look

to be a murder, but in actuality was a suicide. The students, through their investigation, were able to deduce from the available evidence the scenario that Investigator Cosner had put before them.

The Forensics class also has instruction from one of LCPD's Detectives, Jack Fine, every Tuesday.

With the combination of LCSD's and LCPD's investigation skills and techniques, and the quality of teaching by Mrs. Crook and Mrs. Lawrence, it is no coincidence LCHS holds state championships in the forensics field.

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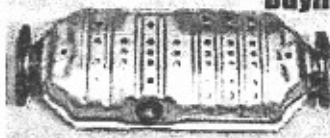
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Obituaries

Billy Ray Faulkner, 54, of Philadelphia died Monday, March 10, 2008 at East Tennessee Health Care Center, Madisonville. Billy was a member of Cedar Fork Baptist Church and preceded in death by parents, Carl and Willie Mae Dickerson Faulkner. Survivors: sister and brother-in-law, Dorothy and Albert Lynn, Philadelphia; brothers and sisters-in-law, David and Bonnie Faulkner, Loudon, Larry and Jerri Faulkner, Bobby Faulkner, Sweetwater, Paul Faulkner and Doug Faulkner, Philadelphia; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services 11 a.m. Thursday, Cedar Fork Baptist Church, Rev. Russ Cooper officiating. Body will lie in state 30 minutes prior to the services. Interment church cemetery. Family will receive friends 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Loudon Funeral Home.

Signs

not be utilized by motorists until May 1, Tennessee Department of Transportation crews are installing new signs that will aid motorists during the scheduled I-40 closure in downtown Knoxville.

"Because there are so many signs to install before the I-40 closure in May, we must begin early installation where possible," said TDOT Region One Director Fred Corum. "We don't want to confuse motorists in the interim before the

closure, so no conflicting information will be placed on the signs. Even if someone takes the detour route, they should still be able to get to their destination."

More than 200 individual signs will be produced and erected between March and late April. The signs will be installed in phases. The first group of temporary ground mounted directional signs will be going up this week followed by detour signs that will be attached to existing overhead signs on I-40, I-75, I-275, I-640 and on other secondary roadways.

Beginning May 1, the one-mile section of I-40 located between James White Parkway (Exit 388) and Hall of Fame Drive (Exit 389) will close for 14 months of reconstruction as

part of the final phase of the SmartFIX40 project. The project is scheduled to be completed by June 30, 2009. This accelerated construction process will save almost 23 months of construction time for motorists.

Interstate 40 through Knoxville currently carries an average of 103,000 vehicles per day. During the closure, the segment of I-40 will be widened to six through lanes and four auxiliary lanes will be added. In addition to interstate improvements, work will include the construction of nine bridges, 14 retaining walls and three noise

walls. Additionally, two existing bridges will be demolished, 12 side roads will be completed and seven new ramps will be constructed.

Access to and from downtown Knoxville will be maintained throughout construction. Eastbound and westbound I-40 through traffic will be rerouted onto I-640. Local traffic will have a number of alternate routes to get to and from downtown and the University of Tennessee. Eastbound motorists can use James White Parkway, Henley Street or Alcoa Highway. Westbound motorists can use the new Hall of Fame Drive

to get to Neyland Drive and the South Knoxville Bridge.

For more information on TDOT's SmartFIX40 project please visit www.SmartFIX40.com.

Police Beat

Michael Eugene Chastain, 34, of Elm Grove Street, Loudon, was charged with a mittimus out of Lenoir City for driving on revoked, reckless driving and speeding.

Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.

F.Y.I.

Singing at Freedom House of Worship, Saturday, March 29th at 7pm. Featuring the Amazing Grace Singers. Pastor Butch Russell invites everyone to attend **The Supernals** will be singing at the Bell Avenue Baptist Church Sunday, March 9th at 11:00 a.m.

Benefit Rummage Sale

Local 21 year old Matthew Clark was critically injured in a motorcycle accident on 2-24-08. A rummage sale will be held on March 21, 2008 at the Ruritan Club to help with the medical expenses. To donate any unwanted items for this cause please contact Trina Herald @ 865-271-9451 or Sabrina Thomas at 865-816-3776.

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Hightower

influence of an intoxicant.

Hightower performed poorly on sobriety tasks as she was unable to perform them as requested. She was taken into custody and transported to the Ft. Sanders Loudon ER for a BAC test and taken to jail.

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A check of Hightower's license showed them to be revoked.

Eva M. Hightower, 22, of Old Spears Road, Lenoir City, was charged with DUI 3rd, driving on revoked and leaving the scene. Sgt. Jimmy Whitt, THP made the arrest.

Police Beat

Jesus Villagomez, 32, of Ash Avenue,

Lenoir City, was charged with simple assault.

According to the report, Villagomez got into an altercation with Adan Salzar. Mr. Villagomez walked into another lot and started a fight with Mr. Salzar.

Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest.



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Moree

the building fire was an apparent arson because no utilities were hooked up in the building.

On scene investigation revealed the building was completely burned and upon further talking to the victim she advised she had been having trouble with Rickey Moree.

The detective also knew of warrants on Mr. Moree for stalking the victim. Ms. Simmons advised that Mr. Moree had threatened her about burning her out. K-9 Deputy Michael Watkins came to the scene and Denero found no track in the wooded area behind the residence.

On March 7th Sgt. Detective Patrick Upton interviewed Mr. Moree after he was picked up on stalking charges and he admitted he set the building on fire on March 4th. He advised he lit a piece of paper with a lighter inside the building and then left walking down the driveway.

Moree advised he burned the building because he thought that Ms. Simmons and a Mr. Wright shot his vehicle. His beard was also singed.

Rickey Dewight Moree, 55, of Raby Town Road, Philadelphia, was charged with arson.

Deputy John Wilson, LCSD made the arrest at the Loudon County jail.

Taylor

hicle.

Kelly Marine Taylor, 31, of Crescent Drive, Loudon, was charged with assault by domestic violence and public intoxication.

According to the report, Deputy Chris Jenkins, LCSD was dispatched to Bob's Market on Hwy 11 to a call of a woman out of control hitting everyone in a vehicle.

On arrival Ms. Taylor was inside a pickup truck being held by a black male. Upon Taylor exiting the vehicle the officer smelled a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on her person and was very unsteady on her feet. She was

very uncooperative and would not follow instructions. Miss Taylor then came back to the vehicle and approached her sister in an aggressive manner and then tried to hit her, putting her in fear of harm. The deputy then grabbed Miss Taylor, trying to stop

her and she pulled away, hitting the victim several more times.

At that time Miss Taylor was put on the ground and handcuffed for the victim's safety.

On putting Miss Taylor to the ground she received a small scratch to the nose

and chin. EMS and Supervisor Sgt. Jimmy Wiggins were called to the scene and due to Taylor being combative toward EMS and deputies she was cleared by EMS and taken to jail.

Deputy Chris Jenkins, LCSD made the arrest.

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Cosner

over \$500 after he reportedly picked up a truck on the interstate without the owners permission.

According to the warrant, on February 13, 2008 at approximately 10:16pm Nathaniel D. Costner, did commit the offense

of theft when he took a 1989 Isuzu pickup truck that was located on I-75 without the owner's effective consent.

Mr. Costner did transport the vehicle to his service station on Steekee Creek Road in Loudon.

During the recovery

of the vehicle Mr. Costner did admit to going to the location with a flat bed tow truck, loading the vehicle and transporting it for the purpose of selling the vehicle for scrap.

Nathaniel D. Costner, 45, of Steekee Creek Road, Loudon, was charged with theft over \$500.

Deputy Ryan Grubb, LCSD made the arrest at the jail where Costner turned himself in.

Police Beat

Michael Shane Boyd, 32, of Lenoir City, was charged with driving on revoked.

According to the report, at about 11:50pm Michael Shane Boyd was observed parked on the wrong side of the street on 4th Avenue. He was driving a truck and when the officer was behind him he failed to use his turn signal when he turned

onto Kingston Street and was stopped.

A check of Boyd's license showed them to be revoked for DUI.

Officer J. Anderson, LCPD made the arrest.

Tessa Anne Smith, 23, of Calloway Circle, Lenoir City was charged with public intoxication.

According to the report, Deputy Marty Stanley LCSD was on patrol when he noticed a woman standing outside the passenger side of a vehicle at Silo Acres Subdivision off Muddy Creek Road.

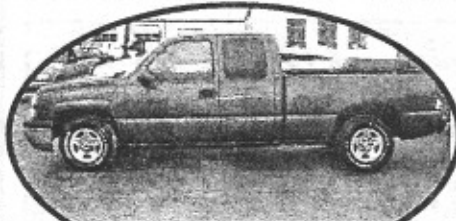
Upon approaching the female, Ms. Smith, she had a strong smell of an alcoholic beverage on her person and was unsteady on her feet.

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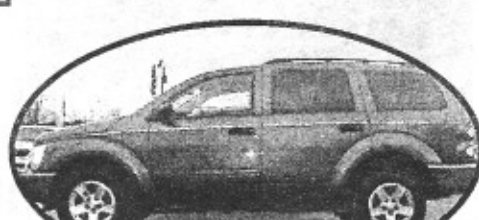
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