

DAILY EDITION

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Friday/Monday, July 11/14, 2008

Newman nabs Cratty in burglaries

Cratty and lookout also charged by LCPD

According to the warrants, filed by Detective Mike Newman, LPD; on July 9th at around 12pm Thomas Mason Cratty with the intent to commit theft did break into a house located on Hwy 72 in Loudon. This happened when Cratty kicked the basement door in of the residence and entered the

(see Thieves pg. 10)

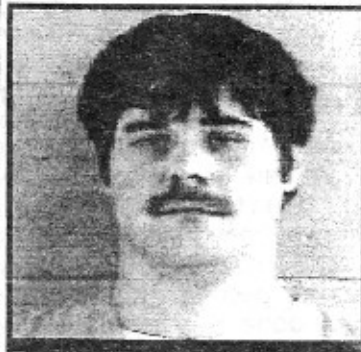


Thomas Mason Cratty



Peggy Joy Mealer

Smith charges man with burglary



Bradley Eugene Guy Bunch

(see Bunch pg. 9)

Kidnapping and aggravated assault lands man in jail

A Lenoir City man was jailed after he allegedly beat a woman and held her against her will for several days while under the influence of drugs.

According to the victim's statement, on the 5th day of July 2008, Gregory Scott Taylor had come home messed

(see Taylor pg. 3)



Gregory Scott Taylor

Kenjo #19 thief nabbed after stealing lottery tickets

A now-former employee of Kenjo #19 was charged with theft over \$500 after she is alleged to have stolen several hundred dollars worth of lottery tickets while she worked at the store.

Amber Jovet Hackett, aka Amber Rawls, 28, of West 5th Avenue, Lenoir

(see Hackett pg. 8)



Amber Jovet Hackett

Business burgled

A local businessman called authorities Tuesday when he discovered someone had burglarized his business, taking about \$2000 worth of property.

(see Business pg. 4)

Converters stolen

Two friends called police Sunday when they parked their vehicles at a Loudon County boat ramp for a time and returned to find someone had stolen the catalytic

(see Converters pg. 6)

Ruger missing

A Loudon man called police Sunday when he went to get his Ruger from a hidden location and discovered it missing.

According to reports,

(see Ruger pg. 7)

Theft, fraud

Police were called to investigate the theft and fraud of a local woman's credit card Monday after discovered her bank card had been stolen.

(see Theft pg. 11)

Verse of the day

The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, Ephesians 1:18

Obituaries

None

Weather:

Today: Partly to mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. High 92.

Tonight: Isolated thunderstorms during the evening, becoming clear overnight. Low 69.

Saturday: Partly cloudy. Highs: low 90s; Lows: low 70s.

Sunday: Scattered thunderstorms possible. Highs: mid 80s; Lows: upper 60s.

Monday: Mix of sun & clouds. Highs: upper 80s; Lows: low 60s.

Wazzup

Due to the economy and to help cut down on the con-

sumption of fuel, we are going to temporarily combine our Friday and Monday Editions (which will be a much larger paper and will still be only 50¢) through August. Thank you for your support and continued readership.

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Taylor

up on some type of drug and asked the victim where she had been all day. After she told him she had been home, he started pushing her, grabbed her by the hair and threw her to the floor and started kicking and stomping her in the stomach and ribs.

Taylor punched the victim in the face and eye, grabbed her arms and forced them behind her back and would not let her up.

The victim stated she was not allowed to leave the house for three days, that she was held against her will and was not allowed to make any phone calls.

On July 8th, she was finally able to call 911 and reported the offense.

Whereas while the victim was not allowed to leave the residence she did suffer bodily injury.

Gregory Scott Taylor, 44, of Kingston Street, Lenoir City, was charged with aggravated domestic assault and kidnapping. Detective Jack Fine, LCPD filed the charges and made the arrest.

No License

Avalos Martinez Elfego, 28, of Steekee Street, Loudon, was charged with driving without a license.

According to the report, Officer B. Gentry, LCPD stopped Elfego

for one headlight and found him to have no license.

Mother/Daughter shoplifting team

Shirley Ann Cesare, 36, and Rebecca Joanne Cesare, 18, of Count Road 311 Sweetwater, was charged with theft under \$500.

According to the report, Rebecca Cesare was observed with her mother, Shirley Cesare, in Walmart selecting merchandise and concealing it in each other's purses.

The total amount of merchandise was \$129.34.

Officer Nathan Wilson LCPD made the arrests.

Police Beat

Joey Eugene Riden, 41, of Jones Drive, Lenoir city was charged with a warrant out of Blount County and open container.

Officer N. Lawson, LCPD made the arrest.

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Farmers Encouraged to Apply for TAEP Funding

Nashville, - The Tennessee Department of Agriculture is continuing to accept applications for the Tennessee Agricultural Enhancement Program through August 1. Applicants are encouraged to reach out to their county UT Extension agent for application information or the department toll-free at 800-342-8206. Most applications are accepted on a first come, first serve basis and should be filled out accurately and postmarked by August 1.

"The response to the program has been tremendous so far, but there's still time for producers to take advantage of this important economic opportunity," said state Agriculture Commissioner Ken Givens. "We expect to begin sending out approval letters in mid-July so that farmers can start on their projects and make necessary purchases. We will continue to accept applications through August 1."

Through TAEP, farmers can qualify for 35 or 50 percent cost share ranging from \$1,200 to \$15,000 on a variety of projects.

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Continued cost share opportunities include Producer Diversification and the Feeder Cattle Incentive. The Feeder Cattle Incentive offers funds for producers who participate in approved USDA age and source verified programs and meet state preconditioning requirements.

TAEP is a state funded program established by Governor Phil Bredesen and supported by the General Assembly to increase farm income in Tennessee by helping farmers invest in better farming practices and by encouraging diversification and innovation.

Applications and additional information about cost share opportunities through the Tennessee Agricultural Enhancement Program can be found online at www.picktnproducts.org or by calling toll-free 800-342-8206. Applications are available through local farm related businesses and agencies, including UT Extension Offices and farm supply stores.

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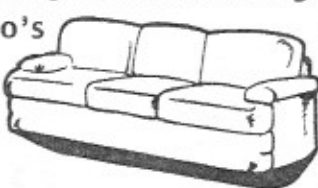
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Business

According to records, David Thompson of Knoxville told Deputy Freddie Gene Walker, LCSD, someone entered his business located at 3050 Highway 11 East and took a Matco tool in a bag, a new paint spray gun that was still in the box, a radiator pressure tester, an angle grinder, a 1/2" air impact

wrench and an impact air hammer.

The officer reported it appeared a sliding door at the business appeared to be the entry point and the suspect(s) had left a large radiator outside the building. It also appeared they knew where everything was stored.

The business was not identified on the report.

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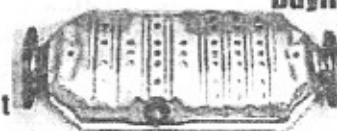
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Converters

converters off both of them.

Cpi. Pete McGinley, LCSD, reported he spoke with Joseph Aylor of Knoxville and Burke Hanson of Chattanooga and the men said they had parked their vehicles at Lakeland Boat Ramp around 1:30 p.m. Saturday and returned just after 11:00 p.m. to find their catalytic converters had been stolen.

Aylor's vehicle was described as a tan, 2002 Chevy Tahoe and Hanson's as a white, 2002 Chevy Tahoe.

Both men told the officer they knew something was wrong

when they started their Chevys and they sounded like race cars.

The value of the loss was estimated at \$800 each.

Drunk in public

Kim Ann Kings, 47, Town Creek Road, Lenoir City, was charged with public intoxication Wednesday.

According to records the arrest came after Kings was found walking along Town Creek Road with a strong smell of alcohol about her person and blood-shot eyes.

The arresting officer, Deputy Johnny Brown, LCSD, reported he had told

Kings to stay inside because she was under the influence of alcohol and he placed her under arrest when he found her out walking.

Wreck lands man in trouble

Lester M. Carver, 24, of Big Gully Road, Maryville, was charged with driving on revoked, wrong tag displayed and financial resp.

According to the report, Carver was involved in a crash with injury and a drivers license check showed Carver to have a revoked license and his brothers tag was on his vehicle and he has no insurance either.

Trooper Russell Smith, THP made the arrest.

DORL

John Mark Davis, 43, of W. 10th Avenue, Lenoir City was charged with driving on revoked.

According to the report, Officer B. Gentry, LCPD was dispatched to a child left alone at home and when he arrived he spoke with an 8 year old.

While speaking with the child, Davis drove up and a check showed him to have a revoked license.

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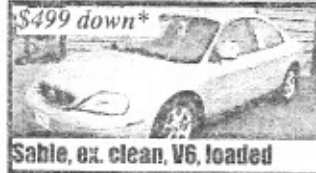
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Ruger

Marshall Smallen, Smallen Road, told Deputy Mickey Patterson, LCSD, he had

his 9 mm Ruger P89 automatic handgun in a box at location in his home and when he went to get it, the box was there, but

the gun was gone.

Smallen reported he last saw the weapon about a month ago and said there was nothing else missing and no sign of forced entry.

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The loss was valued at \$400.

Police Beat

Pamela Lynn Hunley, 28, Richmond Avenue, Knoxville,

was charged with failure to appear (VoP) Wednesday.

Deputy John Maples, LCSD, made the arrest.

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Hackett

City was charged with theft over \$500.

According to the warrant, filed by Detective Jack Fine, LCPD; on or about the 1st day of June 2008 while employed at Kenjo #19, Hwy 321, Lenoir City, Amber J. Hackett did take from the store lottery tickets.

The tickets were valued at \$694.

Amber Hackett took these items without the expressed permission of the owner, with the intent to deprive the true owner thereof. Lt. Teresa Smith, LCSD made the arrest.

Aug 5-7 Farm Safety Workshops Aim to Protect Farm Visitors, Farmers

Nashville, — Three workshops addressing farm safety issues for agritour-

ism operators are scheduled at locations across the state Aug. 5-7. Workshops will be conducted August 5 in Jackson at the UT Agricultural Experiment Station; Aug. 6 in Nashville at the Ellington Agricultural Center Ed Jones Auditorium; and Aug. 7 in Morristown at the Walters State Community College Ag Pavilion. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and the workshop begins at 9 a.m. at each location.

"Farmers know from a lifetime of experience the importance of personal safety on the farm; however, preparing for visitors and ensuring their safety is a whole different ballgame and requires careful planning, and there're many things to consider," says Pamela Bartholomew, agritourism coordinator with the Tennessee Department of Agriculture.

For farmers who have made the decision to invite the non-farm public to their farms, learning how

to keep visitors safe from hazards is crucial for both farmers and farm visitors.

"Of course, every agritourism operator is already thinking of every way possible to make a customer's experience safe and happy," says Bartholomew, "so that the customers don't have to think about it. But what if a medical emergency or other crisis occurs while visitors are enjoying time on the farm? This workshop will give farmers the understanding and skills they need to do the best thing possible in such a situation, as quickly as possible."

Agritourism is defined as any activity or event that involves inviting the public onto a farm for activities or farm products, according to Bartholomew. The upcoming workshops are specifically geared to teach participants how to improve safety in an agritourism operation and to properly handle health emergencies. Bernard Geschke, with the Progressive Farmer Farm Safety

for Kids program, is on the agenda to show producers how to implement proper safety techniques, safety checks, and develop safety plans for their farms. Bernard travels across the United States presenting and promoting farm safety.

Participating agritourism operators will also be trained on recommended responses to a variety of health emergencies. Each workshop participant will be trained by the American Red Cross to handle emergency situations. The training will include an overview of first aid, and will culminate with certification in CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) and AED (automated external defibrillator) use.

Another benefit of the safety workshop, says Bartholomew, is that participants will then be eligible for a 50 percent cost share reimbursement for approved agritourism projects through the Tennessee Agricultural Enhancement Program. The cost

share program is part of a comprehensive initiative to build farm income, including agritourism operations. Without workshop participation, agritourism operators would be eligible to receive a 35 percent cost share reimbursement on an approved project.

To register for a workshop, call 615-837-5106. For more information, call or e-mail Bartholomew at 615-837-5348 or Pamela.Bartholomew@TN.gov.

"It's the farmer's responsibility to protect visitors to the farm," says Bartholomew. "By ensuring a safe environment for your customers, you also ensure the profitability and the future of your agritourism operation. Attend one of these three regional workshops to protect your customers and yourself!"

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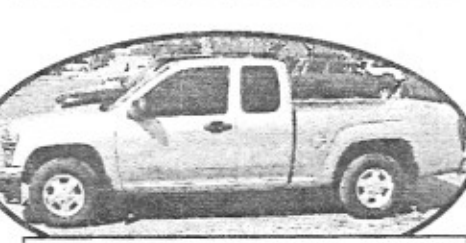
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Bunch

Police arrested a Knoxville man following an investigation into the burglary of a Philadelphia residence in which thousands of dollars worth of items were removed from a safe.

According to the warrant, filed by Investigator Jason Smith, LCSD CID; on Saturday January 27, 2007 Mr. Bradley Eugene Guy Bunch did pawn two silver eagle coins at Stamps, Coins and Collectibles on Broad-

way in Knoxville for the amount of \$14. The store purchased the coins from Mr. Bunch.

The silver eagle coins had been taken from Stockton Valley Road in Philadelphia. The owner of the residence, the victim, stated the coins were located in a safe in his residence that also contained other collectible coins, credit cards and check-books.

The items in the safe were valued between \$6000 and \$8000. Bradley Bunch did admit he broke into the house and took the items.

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Bradley Eugene Guy Bunch, 25, of Round Barn Road, Knoxville, was charged with burglary. Deputy Ryan Grubb, LCSD made the arrest.

Police Beat

Sandy Carol Harrison, 40, Huff Street, was charged with violation of probation Wednesday.

Deputy Ryan Grubb, LCSD, made the arrest.

Gloria Nicole Young, 23, Townview Drive, Knoxville, was charged with driving on revoked license Wednesday.

Records indicate the arrest came after Patrolman Jason Butler, LCPD, stopped Young's vehicle for a seat belt violation and a check through

NCIC showed her driving privileges are revoked.

Oscar Randall Hartline Jr., 21, Kelly Lane, Lenoir City, was charged with driving on suspended license Wednesday.

Officer Bennie Houser, LPD, reported he stopped Hartline's vehicle on Highway 72 around 1:55 a.m. because the fog lights were pointing at oncoming traffic and a tail light was broken.

A check of Hartline's status through NCIC revealed his driving privileges are suspended for failure to satisfy.

Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I'm not sure about the universe.

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Thieves

residence. The homeowner was home and found Cratty in her home. This is based in the victim and Cratty's statements.

Cratty was also wanted by LCPD for theft over \$1000 and aggravated burglary. According to the warrants, filed by Detective Jack Fine, LCPD on the 8th day of July, 2008 between the hours of 6:15 and 6:30pm, Thomas Mason Cratty did forcibly enter a residence located on W. Broadway by forcing open the rear basement door and did remove from the residence a tool box, flat screen TV, a compound bow, and a piggy bank full of loose change. The total amount of the property was over \$1000. Cratty did this without the owner's permission or knowledge.

In another warrant, filed by Detective Jack Fine, LCPD; on the 8th day of July 2008 between the hours of 6:15 and 6:30pm Peggy Joy Mealer did commit the offense of criminal facilitation by knowingly furnishing substantial assistance in the commission of a felony, whereas she stood by as a lookout while Thomas Cratty made forcible entry to a residence, by forcing open the rear basement door and did remove items from the residence.

Thomas Mason Cratty, 33, of Elm

Lane, Loudon, was charged by LPD with aggravated burglary and by LCPD with aggravated burglary and theft over \$1000. Detective Mike Newman, LPD made the arrest.

Peggy Joy Mealer, 31, of Harmon Lane, Lenoir City was charged with criminal responsibility for facilitation of a felony. Detective Jack Fine, LCPD made the arrest.

Safety cones vandalized

Police were called to investigate the vandalism of safety cones when a subcontractor working for Charter Communications witnesses someone purposely run over several of them.

Deputy Brad Rayfield, LCSD, was dispatched to a residence along Highway 70 West where he spoke with Scotty Rhodes of K&S, which is contracted through Charter Communications, and Rhodes advised he was up the utility pole at the location when a vehicle came through and ran over the orange safety cones that were part of one of the lanes.

Rhodes advised he was sure the driver hit the cones purposely because the vehicle stopped and then ran over at least three more cones.

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Theft

According to records, Jane Lambert, Davis Ferry Road, told Investigator Charles Cosner, LCSD, she noticed her bank card missing from her wallet and upon checking her bank account she found several charges on it she didn't make.

Lambert also reported finding her prescription medication missing from a lock box and identified a possible suspect to police.

The value of the loss was pending at the time of the report.

Television is a medium because anything well done is rare.

-Fred Allen

Stupid Criminals Files

The Belgium news agency Belga reported in November that a man suspected of robbing a jewelry store in Liege said he couldn't have done it because he was busy breaking into a school at the same time. Police then arrested him for breaking into the school.

Murfreesboro, Tenn. - A man who was stopped for driving erratically on a divided highway was distracted because he was looking at pornography, authorities said. He was apprehended after reportedly nearly running another vehicle off the highway several times.

An employee of the Lucky Buffet noticed a

strange sight on arriving at the restaurant. There were legs hanging out of a vent over the grill! 45-year-old Billy Jordan had tried to enter the restaurant the night before by climbing through the ductwork, but became stuck and stayed there for ten hours. Hillsborough County Fire Rescue workers used a rope to pull Jordan back out through the roof, after which he was arrested for burglary.

21-year-old Langston Robins walked right past a uniformed police officer at the Metropolitan Bank and handed a robbery note to the teller. The unarmed would-be robber was arrested after a foot pursuit.

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A man flew into a rage at the Giant Eagle supermarket when employees refused to cash a million-dollar bill. 66-year-old Samuel Porter slammed an electronic machine on the counter and refused to give his name to authorities. He was then taken to the Allegheny County Jail. The largest bill currently in circulation is the \$100 dollar bill.


There had been a stabbing, and police were on the scene talking to a woman who had been a witness to the crime. 38-year-old Anthony William jumped into the woman's car and drove away! He was arrested the next day, easily identified by the

cops who saw him steal the car.

Usually, the burglar robs the house while the victim is asleep, but in this story, the roles were reversed. 24-year-old Mark Smith sneaked into Heather Stephenson's home, crept past her while she was ironing, and rifled through her belongings in the bedroom. Then he fell asleep under her bed. Mrs. Stephenson couldn't wake him, and police officers had to drag him out from under the bed. Smith's vodka and valium consumption were to blame. He received an 18-month sentence for burglary.

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