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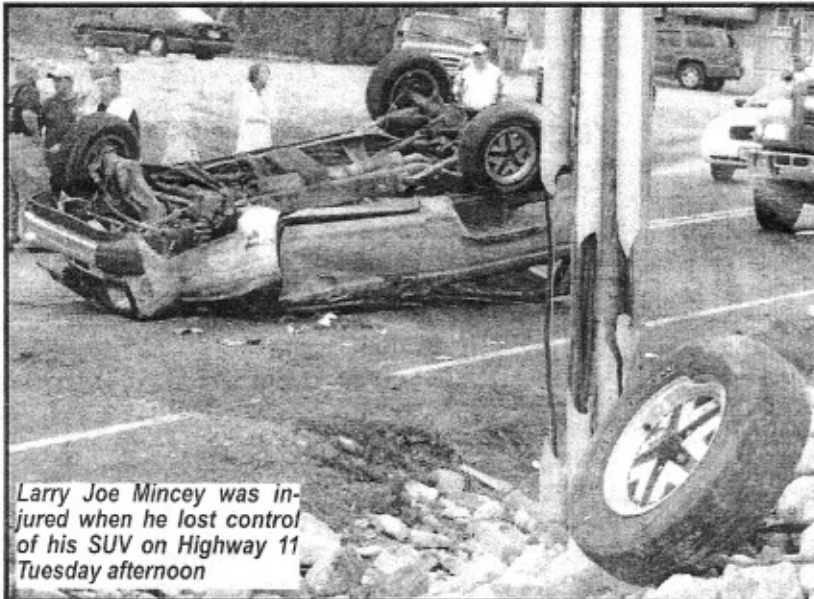
Monday, November 30, 2009

Wreck injures 1, closes Highway 11

A Lenoir City man was injured Tuesday afternoon when he lost control of his SUV on Highway 11 and hit a utility pole.

Witnesses said 45 year old Larry Joe Mincey was traveling west on Highway 11 around 4 p.m. when he veered off the right shoulder of the highway and struck a utility pole just after Lee Hi Plaza.

(see Wreck pg. 3)



Larry Joe Mincey was injured when he lost control of his SUV on Highway 11 Tuesday afternoon

But, I'm a lawyer

A Lenoir City man reportedly told authorities he was an attorney and former judge after he was involved in two vehicle accident while allegedly driving under the influence of alcohol.

(see Irving pg. 7)

Local charged after bumming on off-ramp

Gary Tilman Rowland, 54, Grimes Road, Loudon was charged with disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

(see Rowland pg. 8)

Man injures father, assaults officer

Adam Leon Shope, 33, Rahn Avenue, Maryville was charged with domestic assault, assault and resisting arrest.

The report states on Sunday at approximately 8:35 a.m. Lenoir City Police Department received a call to the 500 block of West 2nd Avenue in reference to a fight. A witness stated

(see Shope pg. 6)



Adam Leon Shope

Jim Habera Named TWRA Fisheries Biologist of the Year

NASHVILLE -- Jim Habera has been named the 2009 Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency Fisheries Biologist of the Year. Habera is a Region IV Wildlife Biologist with the streams crew out of the Morristown office

(see Habera pg. 4)



Jim Habera (left) was named TWRA Fisheries Biologist of the Year

Verse of the day

But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Je-

sus Christ unto eternal life.

Jude 1:20-21

Obituaries

None

Weather:

Today: Showers. High around 59. Chance of rain: 40%.

Tonight: Showers continue. Low: 41.

Tuesday: Showers. Highs: upper 50s; Lows: upper 30s. Chance of rain: 60%.

Wazzup

It was good seeing you over the holidays Mark and Julie!

Horoscopes Sagittarius

(Nov 23-Dec 21)

It's a slow morning that turns into a slow afternoon for you. It's not the best time to try to get much done, as you're just finding it too hard to get your

energy levels up. Put stuff off 'til tomorrow!

Capricorn

(Dec 22-Jan 20)

You can kick back and just enjoy today's vibe, though that isn't really your

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Wreck

The Ford Bronco II Mincey was driving then flipped several times before coming to rest on its top in the roadway, pinning Mincey inside.

Loudon County Fire and Rescue responded to the scene and

extricated Mincey and he was transported to UT Hospital via Rural metro for treatment of non-life threatening injuries.

LCUB was summoned to replace the utility pole, which was nearly split in two from the impact and the highway was closed for time as crews worked to clean up the debris.

Members of the Loudon County Sheriff's Office also responded to assist

The Tennessee Highway Patrol is investigating the accident and charges

may be pending.

Police Beat

Brett Charlton Whitehead, 21, Carding Machine Road, Loudon was charged with domestic violence assault.

According to reports, Sgt. William Evans, LPD received a call at approximately 7:14 pm in reference to a possible domestic assault on Carding Machine Road. Upon arrival, Officer Evans found a woman who stated she had been assaulted by her boyfriend, Brett Whitehead at his apartment on Carding

Machine Road.

The victim reportedly told the officer Whitehead struck her in the head and arm and also choked her around the neck. Sgt. Evans stated in his report he observed red marks on her neck and arm. She also had a knot on her head behind her right ear.

The woman and Mr. Whitehead have a child together. Patrolman Brad Parks, LPD was also on scene.

Tynetta Tashana Brewster, 21, Woodvine Avenue, Knoxville was charged with driving on suspended.

According to reports, while Deputy Brad Rayfield, LCSO was on routine patrol he noticed a blue 4-door Lincoln Town Car with expired tags traveling south on Sugarlimb Road. The officer stopped the vehicle at Interstate Lane for the registration violation.

Ms. Brewster could not produce a valid drivers license. A check through NCIC revealed her license are suspended for failure to satisfy a citation. She was also cited for

registration violation and no financial responsibility.

Phillip Burgess Wright, 52, Paint Rock Valley Road, Philadelphia was charged with driving under the influence and violation of implied consent.

The report states Loudon City Police Department received a call on a possible drunk driver on Interstate 75 southbound and the vehicle description was a gray Hyundai Hatchback.

Officer Blake Norman, LPD observed a vehicle matching that description pass the 72 mile marker and reported it was weaving across the roadway and failed to maintain its lane.

The officer conducted a traffic stop around the 70 mile marker where he found Mr. Wright had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person, very slurred speech and admitted to drinking.

Wright did poorly on all field sobriety tasks he was given. Mr. Wright was read the implied consent law and refused.

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Habera

and resides in Jefferson City.

Habera's duties as part of the Region IV stream crew includes the collection of data on cold water resources, as well as planning, coordinating, and conducting regional (and some statewide) trout research projects. He is also responsible for data analysis and preparation of annual reports, and is instrumental in making management decisions and developing management strategies that affect all Region IV trout resources.

Along with his numerous duties and responsibilities, Habera has been very active in the American Fisheries Society (AFS) Southern Division Trout Committee and its projects. The results of his efforts, in conjunction with the committee, include updating the sampling guidelines for trout streams and issues involving electrofishing injury and mortality. The outcomes of these efforts benefit not only Tennessee's trout resources, but also trout resources for the southeast and trout in general.

As a research associate for the University of Tennessee and more recently with TWRA, Habera has authored or co-authored numerous

scientific papers on wild trout resources. These include wild trout distribution, brook trout genetic distribution, trout age and growth, and electrofishing issues. While working for the agency, he has also been instrumental in completion of two University of Tennessee master degree projects that resulted in greater knowledge and understanding of Tennessee's wild rainbow trout age and growth. Habera has also been instrumental in developing management plans for the Region IV trout tailwaters and helped to develop the statewide trout management plan.

Habera has made numerous presentations to state and local fishing clubs and groups (primarily Trout Unlimited) explaining the agency's standing on management issues and procedures on various trout topics. He has represented the agency at various national meetings and workshops. He has made presentations at the East Coast Trout Workshop.

Habera has also been involved in the Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture, a group comprised of state and federal fish and wildlife agencies from 17 states, conservation organizations, and academic institutions, a group

in partnership to conserve brook trout. This group recently produced a publication covering the status and threats of the eastern brook trout. Habera was able to represent the agency in providing information for the Tennessee portion of the publication.

Police Beat

Bryson Cody Young, 22, Elm Grove Street, Loudon, was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy Kimber Littleton, LCSO made the arrest at the Knox County Jail.

Joseph B. McKee, 33, Kingston Highway, Lenoir City, was charged with a Criminal Court capias (warrant).

Deputy Brad Rayfield, LCSO made the arrest.

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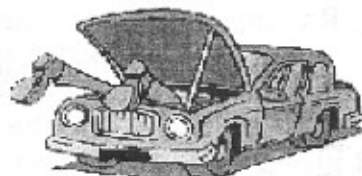
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Shope

Adam Shope's father was putting gas in his son's vehicle and trying to defend himself against his son.

The witness also advised Adam Shope was kicking and punching his father and his father was pushing him away.

The elder Mr. Shope

left the area before police arrived and was stopped at A Street and Broadway by Officer Jamie Whitt, LCPD. His shirt had several buttons torn off and his right eye was bruised and had blood in the white part of his eyeball where he was hit by his son, Adam Shope.

In the meantime, Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD

approached Adam Shope and he jumped up and started talking crazy. He reportedly swung at the sergeant and the officer moved away. Adam attempted to hit him again with

his fist and Sgt. Range moved away and grabbed Adam Shope by his coat and pulled him to the ground.

Shope reportedly kicked the officer on the side of his left leg

and kept trying to get away.

The witness and Michael Dyer, LCPD, came over to assist Sgt. Range so he could get handcuffs on the out of control man.

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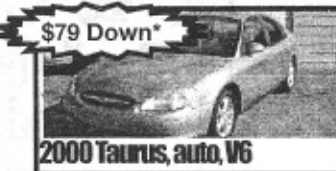
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Irving

Stephen A. Irving, 58, Oakmont Circle, Lenoir City was charged Wednesday with DUI 1st offense, possession of drug paraphernalia and implied consent.

The report states Mr. Irving was involved in a two vehicle accident on Highway 11 at Ford Road while driving his red Jeep Grand Cherokee. Irving had a very strong odor of an alcoholic beverage about his person.

Records indicate Mr. Irving was administered field sobriety tasks and could not

complete them as instructed by the officer. Implied consent was read entirely and Mr. Irving refused and refused to sign.

According to Trooper Eric Miller's report, Mr. Irving stated he was an attorney and used to be a judge. He repeatedly asked the officer to just let him drive six houses away to his secretary's residence so he could go to sleep.

Mr. Irving was placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon County Jail.

A packet of rolling papers and a cigarette wrapper with

residue of a green leafy substance with a very strong odor of marijuana reportedly was found in Mr. Irving's inside jacket pocket.

Trooper Eric Miller, THP, made the arrest.

Revoked drivers

Sandra Marie Dean, 26, East 9th Avenue, Lenoir City was charged with driving on a revoked license.

According to reports, Patrolman Brandon Gentry, LCPD stopped a brown Buick traveling east on Broadway at around 8:18 p.m. with no headlights on.

The officer ran Ms. Dean's information through NCIC and it showed her license are revoked for unpaid traffic violations. She was also cited for the light violation and fi-

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Jeffrey Keith Low, 38, Shaw Ferry Road, Lenoir City, was charged with driving on revoked license.

The report states Deputy Rondel M. Branam, LCSO noticed a black Jeep Cherokee with a brake light out traveling on Shaw Ferry Road at around 1:07 a.m. The officer stopped the vehicle in Mr. Low's driveway.

Mr. Low's Florida drivers license came back expired since January 31st, 2003.

A check of his name and date of birth through NCIC did show he has a Tennessee drivers license, but is currently revoked for DUI. He was also issued a citation for violation of the light law.

LC man wrecks while DUI

Steven Preston Hensley, 34, Duggan Road, Lenoir City was charged with driving under the influence, implied consent and

traffic control device.

According to reports, Friday at approximately 12:57 a.m. Patrolman Mark Maxwell, LCPD was flagged down at the intersection of Highway 321 and Interstate 75 concerning a possible wreck with property damage.

Upon investigation it was determined Mr. Hensley, driving a red Nissan Exterra, ran through the red light at the intersection of Highway 321 and Interstate 75 and caused another vehicle to hit his.

Mr. Hensley reportedly did not stop and was found backing into his driveway a short distance from the accident scene. According to the officer's report, Hensley had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage about his breath and body. He was unsteady on his feet, had red bloodshot eyes and slurred speech.

Mr. Hensley was brought back to the accident scene and was given standard field sobriety tasks in which he could not comply to the officer's satisfaction. He was read the implied consent law at which time he refused to submit to a test.

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No License

The report states on Thursday Officers were dispatched to the area of the Interstate 75 southbound off-ramp in reference to a man knocking on people's car windows as they went by.

When law enforcement arrived on scene, Patrolman Brandon Gentry, LCPD saw Mr. Rowland standing on the side of the road, reportedly holding a sign asking for money.

A check of Rowland's ID through NCIC showed he had multiple warrants in Georgia. Hamilton County also had two active warrants on Mr. Rowland for disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

Police Beat

Billy Wayne Malone II, 19, Martel Road, Lenoir City was charged with driving under the influence and violation of implied consent.

According to the report, Patrolman Brandon Gentry, LCPD was dispatched to a motor vehicle accident on Highway 321. Mr. Malone II was the driver of one of the vehicles involved in the crash.

According to the officer's report, he smelled the odor of an alcoholic beverage on Malone's breath. Mr. Malone's eyes were glassy and he acted very anxious.

Malone was asked to perform three field sobriety tasks and he did poorly on them. Officer Gentry asked Mr. Malone to give a

blood sample and he refused.

William Danny Mills, 43, Pardue Lane, was charged with violation of pro-

bation.

Deputy Robert Gray, LCSO made the arrest.

Cory Shane Bright, 19, Dry Valley Road,

Loudon was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy Daniel Ferguson, LCSO made the arrest.

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