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LCSO Toys for Tots helps hundreds



above - toys are lined up ready for pickup as volunteers help load up gifts to qualified local families (photo left).

The 24th Annual Loudon County Sheriff's Office Toys for Tots program was a huge success this year thanks to the special efforts of a lot of people.

This year's coordinator Ms. Debbie Hines said "we were able to help over 700 local

children and 400 families. Thanks to donations from area businesses, churches, and individuals from Anderson and Loudon Counties all qualifying families who applied were able to receive children's gifts from the volunteers."

Disturbance call ends in arrest

A Gatlinburg woman was jailed after police responded to a disturbance call at Bimbos and discovered she had three outstanding warrants for arrest against her. She is also accused of compounding her problem and getting a new charge by damaging the patrol unit.

(see Stevens pg. 4)



Amanda Sue Stevens

LCSO charges caregiver with stealing client's checks

Loudon County Sheriff's Office officials have charged a Maryville man with stealing and cashing a client's checks while employed as a home health caregiver.

Stephen Michael Tucker, 34, Meade Street, Maryville was charged with theft under \$500.

According to an affidavit (see Tucker pg. 6)



Stephen Michael Tucker

2009-10 Gun Season for Deer Resumes

NASHVILLE --- Tennessee's gun season for deer (see Season pg. 7)

TN Received 11,210 Doses of Recalled H1N1 Flu Vaccine

(see Doses pg. 3)

Verse of the day

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn

away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. 2 Timothy 4:3-4

Obituaries

None

Weather:

Today: Cloudy with rain and snow in the morn-

ing changing to all rain in the afternoon. Some sleet may mix in. High 44. Chance of precip 70%.

Tonight: Periods of rain and snow. Low around 35. Chance of precip 60%.

Saturday: Mix of rain

and snow. Highs in the low 40s and lows in the low 30s. Sunday: Cloudy. Highs in the upper 30s and lows in the low 30s.

Wazzup

Happy Birthday, Ryan Mills! Hope your special day was as

cool as you are!!

Happy belated Birthday Donald McKinney!

Horoscopes Sagittarius

(Nov 23-Dec 21)

Recycling is awesome (see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Doses

NASHVILLE – The Tennessee Department of Health has determined that health providers in the state received 11,210 doses of H1N1 flu vaccine now impacted by a voluntary, non-safety related recall. Sanofi Pasteur, Inc., is recalling four lots of H1N1 vaccine in 0.25 ml pre-filled syringes designed for use in children ages 6 to 35 months. These lots passed all tests for potency and purity when they were distributed, but routine follow-up tests after distribution found that levels of antigen, the

active ingredient, were slightly lower than the level specified on the label. The recall is not related to any safety or effectiveness concerns.

Tennessee received only 1.4 percent of the Sanofi vaccine impacted by the recall, and these doses represent only 0.6 percent of all H1N1 flu vaccine distributed in Tennessee.

"Tennessee health providers who registered to offer H1N1 vaccine have been informed about the recall, and know they are to set aside any doses they received from the recalled lots," said

Health Commissioner Susan R. Cooper, MSN, RN. "There are other vaccine products available for use for young children, so we don't anticipate a significant impact on supply of vaccine for that age group."

The lot numbers of vaccine included in the recall are: UT023DA, UT028DA, UT028CB and UT030CA. Some 800,000 doses of H1N1 vaccine are included in these lots. The Department of Health is working with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to inform providers who received affected lots on instructions from

Sanofi Pasteur for returning unused doses to the company.

No action is required by parents with children between the ages of 6 to 35 months who may have received H1N1 flu vaccine in the form of a pre-filled syringe from Sanofi Pasteur. The doses are considered safe and effective; revaccination is not recommended. Parents with questions may contact their child's health provider, or call the Tennessee Flu Information line toll-free at 1-877-252-3432.

Police Beat

Tyler Emblem Barnard, 23, Church Street, Loudon was charged with possession of schedule III (suboxone) and pos-

session of drug paraphernalia.

According to records, Officer Brendan DeBoer, LPD observed a red Ford Escort speeding on Highway 72 near the entrance to Tennessee National. The vehicle was clocked at 60 mph in a 45 mph zone.

The officer stopped the Escort and during a field interview with Mr. Barnard Barnard was reportedly extremely nervous and gave the officer consent to a search of his person.

A plastic bag containing 1 and 1/2 orange pills believed to be suboxone, a schedule III narcotic, was discovered in the watch pocket of Barnard's pants.

Mr. Barnard also gave verbal consent to a search of his vehicle. Several plastic bags with white residue and a piece of a pen with white residue reportedly were discovered in a shaving kit on the front passenger seat. Barnard was cited for speeding.

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Stevens

Amanda Sue Stevens, 30, Maple Court, Gatlinburg was charged with vandalism over \$500.

The report states on Tuesday, at about 2:10 AM, Officer J. Anderson, LCPD observed Amanda Stevens causing a disturbance at Bimbo's on Highway 321. The officer asked Ms. Stevens for her information and ran her through records, which showed she had three outstanding warrants from Loudon City.

Officer Anderson placed her under arrest for the warrants. When he placed her in the passenger side rear of his patrol car and closed the door, Ms. Stevens proceeded to kick the

passenger side rear window and bent the entire window frame out of the door.

The value of the damage is over \$500. The in-car camera showed Ms. Stevens kick the window out.

A short time later, at about 4:00 PM, Deputy R. Gray, LCSO, served Stevens warrants charging her with possession of schedule II, possession of schedule IV and possession of a legend drug.

According to those affidavits, on March 23rd, 2009, at approximately 8:16 PM, Loudon Police Department received a call of suspicious subjects in a white Ford at the Mr. Gas on Highway 11 in the city of Loudon.

Upon arrival, Patrolwoman April Farmer,

LPD observed the vehicle in the parking lot with a white female standing outside the open driver's side door. She was identified as Amanda Stevens.

While talking with Ms. Stevens, Officer Farmer requested permission to search her vehicle and she agreed.

Inside Ms. Stevens purse the officer located an Aleve bottle, which contained several different types of pills.

When asked about the pills, Ms. Stevens stated she had a prescription for them. One of the pills was identified as half a totem pole of xanax, one was identified as a 30 mg roxicet and one was identified as buspirone.

The pills were taken from Ms. Stevens as evidence and she was

issued a property receipt. According to the affidavit, at the time of her arrest on Tuesday Ms. Stevens had failed to produce a valid prescription for the pills.

Police Beat

Jordan Tyler Webster, 19, Antioch Church Road West, Lenoir City was charged with underage consumption.

According to reports, Deputy Ronnel Branam, LCSO was heading north on Highway 321 and noticed a white Toyota 4 Runner in front of him traveling at erratic speeds ranging from 63 mph and quickly backing down to around 40 mph.

Deputy Branam stopped the vehicle on Highway 321 at St. Thomas Way. The driver, Mr. Jordan T. Webster had a strong odor of an alcoholic

beverage coming from his person and red watery eyes.

Mr. Webster reportedly told the officer he had consumed several shots of whiskey. His drivers license showed hhe is only 19 years of age. He was also issued a citation for speeding.

Mr. Webster had two passengers in the vehicle with him. They were identified as

Michael Scott Hutchins, 19, Greenwood Drive, Clinton and Jared Louis Lovette, 19, Gynevere Drive, Knoxville, who were also charged with underage consumption.

The pair reportedly had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from their persons and red watery eyes. Their license's showed they are only 19 years of age.

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Tucker

filed by Investigator Jeff Russell, LCSO; on November 4th, 2009, the complainant reported someone had taken three checks from two different checkbooks at their residence located on Tahlequah Drive in Loudon.

Upon further investigation it was found that

Stephen Tucker, who had been working for the complainant as a home health caregiver, cashed three checks in his name that matched the missing checks from the complainant's residence.

Deputy Jerramie Bowen, LCSO made the arrest at the Blount County Jail, on Monday.

On this day

1865 13th Amendment ratified, slavery abolished
1892 "Nutcracker Suite," Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky's ballet, premieres

Walk by Faith Christian Church located at 3437 Industrial Park Blvd (next to Hubble), Lenoir City would like to invite the public to attend their Christmas Presentation "This Man Jesus" this Saturday, December 19th at 6pm. Pastor Steve Kirby invited everyone to attend.

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Season

hunters resumes Saturday, Dec. 19 and will continue through Jan. 10, 2010. Historically, the doe harvest numbers see an increase during this upcoming segment of gun season.

"The second gun season is traditionally the time to harvest does," said Daryl Ratajczak, TWRA's Deer Coordinator. Most Unit A and B counties save their antlerless hunts towards the end of the season so we should see a significant rise in the number of does harvested statewide. "If you have your

quota permits or your county is scheduled for a non-quota hunt, now is the time to be in the woods. These late December hunts are a great time to fill your freezer with does and who knows, you may stumble upon that wary old buck that eluded you earlier in the season."

Since archery season opened in late September, more than 124,300 deer have been harvested. During the first gun season segment (Nov. 21-Dec. 6) 55,135 deer were reported. Henry County is the overall top county for harvest with 3,764 deer reported since

late September. Hardeman County had 2,184 whitetails reported harvested during the first gun segment with neighboring Fayette County close behind with 2,083.

The state's 2009-10 deer hunting seasons will conclude with the second Young Sportsman Deer Hunt to be held the weekend of Jan. 16-17. Only youth, ages 6-16 may participate in the Young Sportsman Hunt.

For more information about Tennessee's deer hunting seasons, refer to the Hunting and Trapping Guide available at all license agents or on the TWRA Web site at www.tn-wildlife.org. Harvest information is also updated on the For Hunters section of the Web site.

Commercial Fisherman Receives Punishment in Chickamauga Lake Case

DAYTON, Tenn. -- A Dayton, Tenn. commercial fisherman has pled guilty to three counts of illegal possession of wildlife resulting in arrests made by Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency wildlife officers on Chickamauga Lake.

William "Bill" Sligh pleaded guilty to the three counts in Rhea County Criminal Court. He was ordered to pay \$970 in fines and court costs and was placed on 18 months of supervised probation. Sligh also must serve 100 hours of community service.

Acting on a tip, TWRA wildlife officers observed the violation of commercial fishing regulations including unlawful placement of nets, killing sportfish and possession of several catfish of more than 34 inches of length. Tennessee law allows the possession of one catfish of more than 34 inches in length.

Rhea County Wildlife Officer Brian Letner and Meigs County Wildlife Officer Chris Combs initially began the investigation. They were later assisted by wildlife officers Burton Capps, Jeff Bishop, and Phillip Earhart.

Chocolate Peanut Butter Bonbon

Prep Time: 25 minutes

Ingredients:

- * 1 cup peanut butter
- * 1 cup chopped pecans
- * 1 cup powdered sugar
- * 1 cup chopped dates (NOT the prepackaged chopped type)
- * 1 Tbsp. butter, softened
- * 2 cups semisweet chocolate chips
- * 1/2 cup milk chocolate chips
- * 1/2 cup milk chocolate chips

Preparation:

In large bowl, combine peanut butter, pecans, powdered sugar, dates, and butter and mix well; form into 1" balls.

Melt semisweet chips and 1/2 cup milk chocolate chips together in a glass measuring cup in microwave on medium power about 2 minutes, stirring once, until melted and smooth. Stir in remaining 1/2 cup milk chocolate chips and stir constantly until smooth (this tempers the chocolate, setting up crystals so it will harden). Dip each ball into melted chocolate mixture and set on parchment paper. Let stand until chocolate is firm, then store tightly covered at room temperature.

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