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Thursday, February 19, 2009

Teacher charged after failing to report suspected abuse Theft

Police have charged a Lenoir City teacher alleging she failed to report the suspected child abuse of a student to law enforcement authorities instead of her superiors.

Lisa M. Hoffmeister 37, Oakwood Estates Drive, Lenoir City was charged with failure to report child abuse and/or neglect.

According to the report, on Tuesday Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD reported on or about January 9, 2009 Ms. Hoffmeister was a teacher at Lenoir City Middle School, Harrison Avenue. On that date Ms. Hoffmeister went to Principal Chip

(see Hoffmeister pg. 3)



Lisa M. Hoffmeister

A Knoxville woman called police to report the theft of her personal property after she let her ex-husband stay in her residence.

According to reports, on Saturday at 12:19 p.m.

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Fraud

A local woman called police when she learned her bank account information had been compromised and money withdrawn from her account.

According to records, on

(see Theft pg. 4)

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Familiar place has new face: Weigels at the corner of Highway 321 & McGhee Blvd. in Lenoir City is again open for business after a complete renovation.

(see Weigels pg. 6)

Teens have good eye for suspected burglar

A local man told police his daughters his from a man who appeared at their home and when he and his wife arrived home they found their outbuilding had been burglarized.

According to records, on Monday at 4:20 p.m. Deputy Craig Brewer, LCSO responded to Friendsville Road, Lenoir City to a report of a burglary to an outbuilding. The complainant, Mr.

(see Burglary pg. 3)

Items stolen from vehicle

Police were called to investigate the theft of a purse and diaper bag after a local woman put them in her vehicle and they disappeared.

According to records, on Sunday at 8:17 p.m. Deputy Steve Helm, LCSO was dispatched to Brentwood Place in Lenoir City on a theft

(see Stolen pg. 6)

Verse of the day

If form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the Lord do all these things

Isaiah 45:7

Obituaries

None

Weather:

Today: Intervals of clouds and sunshine. Colder. High around 40F. Winds WNW at 10 to 20 mph.

Tonight: Partly cloudy skies. Low 24F. Winds WNW at 10 to 20

mph.

Friday: Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 40s and lows in the low 30s.

Wazzup

Thanks for lunch Sandra it was fantastic.

A big shout out to Ronnie thanks for all the work your doing.

Horoscopes Aquarius

(Jan 21-Feb 19)

Your talent for managing and organiz-

ing people may not be utterly consistent -- but when you're on, you're really on! Today is great for getting people at work to converge on a common goal.

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Hoffmeister

Orr, and Assistant Principal Greg Boling and told them a fourteen year old female student was being physically abused at home.

The administrators reportedly asked Ms. Hoffmeister if she called the D.C.S. Hotline and she told them no.

Records indicate Mr. Orr and Mr. Boling told Ms. Hoffmeister she had to report the suspected abuse to D.C.S. and gave her the number to the hot line.

Ms. Hoffmeister reportedly told them she didn't want to make the call because the parents of the fourteen year old would know who had turned them in.

The investigator noted upon checking with D.C.S. he found no calls had been made to them about the child.

In a Notice of change in 2005 in care of children Public Chapter 185 of Ten-

nessee Code Annotated states in a nutshell

The responsibility of reporting suspected abuse or neglect is now the responsibility of the individual, not the agency, and that individual has a legal obligation to report the suspected abuse or neglect to the proper agency, in this case would be DCS.

Burglary

Bryan McClannahan stated around 10:00 a.m. his teenage daughters heard a knock on the front door. They looked outside and saw a white male wearing a flannel shirt and blue jeans who was about six feet tall with a medium build. He had red hair on the sides and back, but none on top, long side burns and a cut on the rear left of his head above the hair line.

McClannahan advised the teens went and hid, then called their parents.

On arriving home, the parents noticed the outbuilding had been broken into. The items missing were one DeWalt power washer, a Stihl chain saw with orange case, two tool boxes (gray and red), a Homelite leaf blower, a Makita sawsall and a hitch. The estimated value of the loss is \$1200.

Police Beat

Debbie Lynn Sexson, 32, of Emory Valley Road, Oak Ridge, was charged with driving under the influence.

According to the report, Deputy Michael Watkins, LCSO received a call of a possible disabled vehicle on I75. The deputy made contact and the vehicle was on the side of the road with the engine running and the driver slumped over the steering wheel.

At that time the officer attempted to wake up the subject and was unable to and called for EMS.

Upon finally waking the driver she had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on her person, slurred speech and refused to give-up her name.

Deputy Watkins administered sobriety tasks and she performed poorly and stated halfway through "we did not need to go through this because she had too much too drink".

Upon inventory of the car a license was found identifying the woman as Debbie Lynn Sexson.

The officer also found an open bottle of Cognac almost half empty. Sexson registered .14% on the intoximeter at the jail. Deputy Michael Watkins, LCSO made the arrest.

Rose A. Lambert 39, Kagley Drive, Lenoir City

was charged with DUI 3rd offense, driving on revoked license and violation of implied consent.

According to records, on Friday at approximately 9:45pm Deputy Brad Rayfield, LCSO observed Lambert driving a blue 2003 Chrysler on Lee Hi Street. Having prior knowledge of her revoked license the officer stopped the vehicle.

Ms. Lambert reportedly had a very strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from her person. She allegedly admitted to consuming three beers earlier in the day.

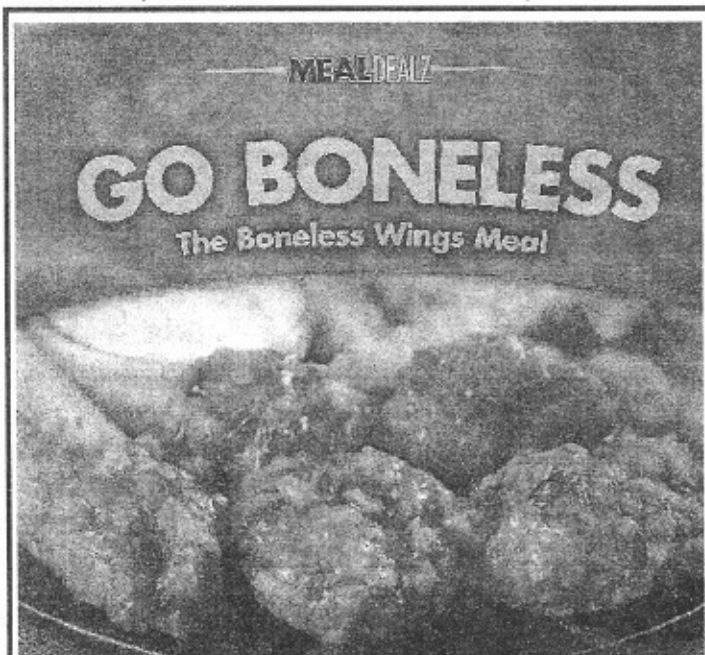
Lambert was very belligerent and was screaming, yelling and cursing. She had very red, glassy eyes, was unsteady on her feet, and performed poorly on field sobriety tasks. She refused a blood alcohol test.

After being placed under arrest Ms. Lambert advised she was having an asthma attack at which time EMS was called and transported her to Fort Loudoun ER to be checked/cleared. After being released from the hospital she was taken to Loudon County Jail.

Edward W. Crandall 21, Lakeland Estates was charged with driving on suspended license.

According to the report, on Friday at approximately 11:00 p.m. Deputy Mike Martin, LCSO observed a blue 1984 Chevy C10 traveling at a low rate of speed on Highway 321.

After stopping the vehicle the driver was identified as Edward Crandall. A check of his drivers license through NCIC came back suspended for failure to maintain insurance.



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Theft

Deputy C. McConkey, LCSO took a report of a theft from a residence. Ms. Connie Krusenklau, Brickley Lane, Knoxville stated she sub-leased her house on Nichols Road to her ex-husband, whom she identified, under a verbal contract. He lived in the residence for several months with his two oldest daughters.

Ms. Krusenklau reportedly advised she and her former spouse agreed he would vacate the residence, which he did within the last ten days, but when she went to the residence she discovered several of her personally owned items missing.

Ms. Krusenklau described the missing items as a orange Husqvarna 41" cut riding lawn mower, a Maytag front loader electronically controlled washer and dryer, and various kitchen items.

According to Ms.

Krusenklau, her former spouse told her he took the items.

The value of the loss is estimated at \$2000. The case is under investigation.

Fraud

Monday at 3:39 p.m. Ms. Elizabeth A. Romaella, Kagley Drive told Deputy Jason Smith, LCSO her bank contacted her and advised her account had been compromised. She stated her account was with First National Bank and on February 2nd, 2009 \$69.95 was withdrawn from her account.

Information provided by the bank indicated an internet service provider network had been compromised and Ms. Romaella's Visa debit card had been listed on a fraud report. It is unknown when the intrusion took place.

The lawman noted Romaella advised she has found only one debit that was not authorized at the time of his report. The investigation is ongoing.

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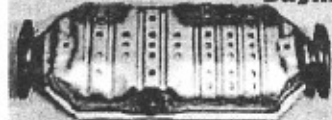
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Stolen

complaint. Mrs. Whitney Deakin stated her vehicle was in the garage when she put her purse and diaper bag in it around 6:30 p.m. When she returned from inside the residence about 8:00 p.m. they were gone.

Deakin advised the garage door was up, and there was no forced entry to the vehicle.

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

Weigels

The Lenoir City Weigel's located on Highway 321 is now open for business with a brand new store. The new store

has a lot more room and during their opening week super deals on different items throughout the new store. You can also get your copy of The Daily Edition at the new store along with a cup of coffee, cappuccino, ICEE or cold drink. Weigel's has also added some different food items as well, from breakfast to dinner.

Be sure to stop by and say hello to the staff and check out the new gas pumps. There are more pumps with new updated features. Wayne, Randy and the crew at the

Lenoir City Weigel's are ready to serve you today!

The Daily Edition is also proud to announce the Weigel's in Loudon and

Vonore, also new stores, now have The Daily Edition available as well.

Police Beat

Juan Valencia Ramirez, 20, of Ab-

bott Road, Lenoir City, was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Michael Wilson, LCSO made the arrest.

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