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Thursday, February 26, 2009

Texan "just selling weed to make some money" nabbed

The Loudon County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) Narcotics Division (ND), Criminal Investigation (CID), along with the patrol division served a drug search warrant at the Inn of Lenoir in a room rented in the name of Kayla Rebecca Hammon.

Hammon was the only person present at the time the warrant was served. While searching the room

(see Hammon pg. 9)



Kayla Rebecca Hammon

Fire damages property

A trash fire may have sparked a blaze Wednesday that damaged an outbuilding, and the yard and woods around it.

According to records, on Wednesday at 1:09 p.m.

Corporal Pete McGinley, LCSO responded to Cross Creek Private Lane, Lenoir City to a fire at a residence. Mrs. Charlotte Mahan stated she was in her house when she saw smoke pass her

(see Fire pg. 6)

State Agencies, EPA Host Meeting to Share TVA Kingston Spill Information

Nashville, - The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation will host a public availability session

and meeting along with the Tennessee Department of Health and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

on Thursday, March 5, 2009, to share information with the community about environmental sampling results

related to the Kingston ash spill and what those results mean.

Staff from each agency

(see Meeting pg. 8)

Identity theft

A Lenoir City woman called authorities when she discovered several charges had been made on her debit card after including an extra night in a hotel room, which she did not authorize.

According to records, on Wednesday at 3:35 p.m. Deputy Chris Bowen, LCSO was dispatched to Cusick Circle, Lenoir City to a report of identity theft.

(see Theft pg. 4)

Sax stolen

A Loudon man called authorities to report the larceny of his saxophone, which occurred while he was in Italy.

According to records, on Wednesday Sgt. Jeff Russell, LCSO took a report of theft of personal property.

Jason Thompson, Cedar Grove Road, stated that on January 26, 2009, while in Rome, Italy and staying

(see Sax pg. 9)

Dispute over dog leads to assault call

A local man told authorities his neighbor pulled a knife on him while they were arguing over a dog Thursday.

According to the report, on Thursday at 1:05 p.m. Deputy Bobby Hamilton, LCSO responded to Christian Street, Philadelphia to

(see Dispute pg. 3)

Possible check fraud reported

Police were summoned to a Loudon County business in answer to a hold up call when a man reportedly tried

to cash a third check at the business.

According to the report, on Thursday at 3:42 a.m.

(see Fraud pg. 9)

Verse of the day

And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be

forgiven him.

James 5:15

Obituaries

None

Weather:

Today: Overcast. High 66.

Tonight: Cloudy and

windy. A few showers overnight. Low 54. CoR: 40%.

Friday: Windy, showers with a few rumbles of thunder. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the low 40s.

Wazzup

Great article, Rachel, we're getting lots of feedback!

Horoscopes

Pisces

(Feb 20-Mar 20)

It's all about you to-

day -- no matter how uncomfortable that might make you feel. Your spirit is strong, though and you should find that you can get almost anything done

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Horoscopes

if you are determined enough.

Aries

(Mar 21-Apr 20)

Put the brakes on your latest big project or relationship issue -- you need to stop and think things over first. It may take all day or even longer, but you need to be happy with the end result.

Taurus

(Apr 21-May 20)

Someone close needs to hear how things are going with you -- and you should open up, even if you're not totally cool with how things have been going. Your honesty should score major points!

Gemini

(May 21-June 21)

Nobody seems to get you today, so see if you can get them to look the other way while you collect your thoughts. It may take another day before you can communicate on something closer to their level.

Cancer

(Jun 22-Jul 22)

Though you know what you want and how to get there, it's still a good idea for you to let your mind wander freely -- you never know where the next wave of inspiration is going to come from!

Leo

(Jul 23-Aug 23)

Scope out the details of your latest big deal and see if you can glean any more

information that might help your decision making process. It's a good day to listen to your gut, while you're at it.

Virgo

(Aug 24-Sep 23)

Try your best to let your friends and co-workers do things their way today, even if you can tell there's a better way to handle things. They need to work on their own and you need to take care of your own business.

Libra

(Sept 24-Oct 23)

You're dealing with a few too many people or activities and almost certainly need to say 'no' to someone before the day is out. It's not easy, but it's easier than coping with the onslaught!

Scorpio

(Oct 24-Nov 22)

You're filled with great energy today and you might find that people are looking for something new from you. Show them your creative side and you should impress the heck out of them!

Sagittarius

(Nov 23-Dec 21)

Progress is tough today, so don't get too frustrated if you end up not far from where you started. If you can just blow off the day entirely, you might get a lot more out of just relaxing.

Capricorn

(Dec 22-Jan 20)

You can express yourself much more clearly -- and creatively -- through writing today, so it's a good time for blogging, poetry, email

and anything else that involves words on paper or screen.

Aquarius

(Jan 21-Feb 19)

Your ATM balance may be somewhat misleading, so try to give yourself a cushion to avoid trouble later on. In fact, any information you get from a machine may be somewhat suspect for now.

Police Beat

Michael Lloyd Devault, 46, of West 3rd Avenue, Lenoir City, was charged with failure to appear on possession of schedule II and drug

paraphernalia.

Lt. Teresa Smith LCSO made the arrest.

Michael Patrick Boatner, 50, of South C Street, Lenoir City, was charged with a capias for failure to appear for arraignment.

Deputy John Maples, LCSO made the arrest.

Heath Jackson, 28, of Sunnyside Road, Sweetwater, was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Kimber Littleton, LCSO made the arrest.

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Dispute

take a report of aggravated assault.

The complainant stated his neighbor, whom he identified, pulled a knife on him when they were arguing over a dog.

According to the complainant, the neighbor threatened to kill his dog and he told him to do something to him, not his dog. The neighbor reportedly stepped behind a tree and pulled a pocket knife out. He came around the tree at the complainant and the complainant told the man he was going to call the law.

The complainant he walked away from his neighbor and the man Perkins walked back towards

his house with the knife still in his hand.

No other information was available at the time of the report.

Police Beat

David Shayne Parrott, 23, of Lee Lambert, Maryville, was charged with driving on suspended and possession of schedule IV (xanax and klonopin).

According to the report, Sgt. Billy Hall, LCSO ND stopped Parrott for speeding on Hwy 321 73mph in a 55mph zone. A check of his license showed them to be suspended for frequent traffic violations and a search of his person produced a plastic container with several pills identified as Xanax and Klonopin, both schedule IV narcotics.



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Lenoir City's Harrison Road Improvements Project Committee will meet at City Hall, in the small conference room, on Monday, March 2, 2009 at 4:00pm. The purpose of the meeting will be to begin consideration/discussion of the project (and make appropriate recommendations to City Council) as it contractually moves forward with the Tennessee Department of Transportation.

Thank You
Mttt Brookshire
Mayor

Theft

Mrs. Misty Black stated she reserved a room at the Inn of Lenoir for a family member for February 15th 2009. She did not authorize a second night.

Black further advised there were additional charges to bestbuy.com, Ruby Tuesday's in Oak Ridge, and the Hampton Inn.

The total amount charged to Black's debit card at the time of the report was \$900. The case is under investigation.

Police Beat

Daniel L. Raby 34, Highway 321, North was charged with driving on suspended license (warrant) Thursday.

Deputy C. McConkey, LCSO made the arrest.

Rigoberto G. Vieyra 27, East 2nd Avenue, Lenoir City was

charged with suspended license, financial responsibility and window tint/ tag cover.

According to the report, on Sunday at approximately 11:01 a.m. Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD observed Vieyra operating a red 1996 Mitsubishi on Highway 321 at Highway 11. The officer stopped the vehicle for a window tint and violation of registration/tag cover.

Mr. Vieyra did not have a license. NCIC showed his license to be suspended for failure to satisfy citations.

James S. Huff 44, Steekee Street, Loudon was charged with theft under \$500 (warrant).

Deputy Mike Williams, LCSO made the arrest.



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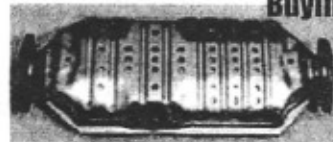
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Fire

window. Upon checking, she discovered her outbuilding and a fence on fire.

Mahan stated she called 911 and tried to put the fire out. She stated her husband had burned some trash in the back yard earlier that morning.

Upon arrival the deputies observed an outbuilding and the yard and woods on fire. They assisted Ms. Mahan until fire rescue arrived.

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

Police Beat

Octavio A. Espinoza, 24, Maple Street, Lenoir City

was charged with no license and no proof of insurance.

According to records, the arrest came after Sgt. Gillis Morgan, LCPD stopped a Dodge Durango on Broadway and G Street after it failed to stop for a school bus with its red flashing stop sign out.

Upon running his information it was discovered Espinoza is unlicensed and uninsured.

Adam Hunter Shaw, 20, of Henry Mayfield Road, Tellico Plains, was charged with driving on suspended.

According to the report, Officer Kent Russell, LPD ob-

served a vehicle on Hwy 72 at a high rate of speed 64mph in a 45mph zone and stopped it.

The driver, Mr. Shaw was found to have a

suspended license. Officer Kent Russell, LPD made the arrest.

Candice N. Hunt, 24, Kingston Highway,

Loudon was charged with violation of probation Tuesday.

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

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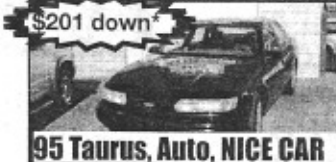
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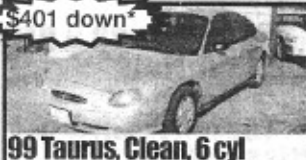
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Meeting

will be available from 5 to 6 p.m. EST for an open house to answer questions from the public one-on-one. Beginning at 6 p.m. EST, the agencies will present and interpret their findings. There will be additional opportunity to ask questions following the presentations. The availability session and meeting will take place in the Roane State Community College Student Lounge, which is located in the Dunbar Building.

Acting EPA Region 4 Administrator Stan Meiburg, Tennessee Department of Health Chief Medical Officer Dr. Veronica Gunn and Environment and Conservation Deputy Commissioner Paul Sloan will be among those who will take part.

"The Department of Environment and Conservation has been collecting samples and having them analyzed at the state lab operated by the Department

of Health since the spill occurred," said Sloan. "We are committed to keeping the community informed of our work and findings by posting all the results, along with interpretation, to our Web site. But we also think it's important to speak directly with area residents to share accurate information about what these results mean and answer their questions face-to-face."

In addition to sharing information about sampling results for air, land and water, the agencies will discuss the potential for health implications as they relate to the sampling results, as well as provide an update on clean-up oversight and recovery work.

"We welcome the opportunity to participate in this community meeting in an effort to keep the public informed of our work with TDEC related to the Kingston coal ash release," said Meiburg. "We look forward

to hearing from the community about the ongoing work and their hopes for the future."

TDEC sampling results and other information related to the Kingston ash spill can be found by visiting at www.tn.gov/environment, then clicking on "TVA Kingston Update" on the right side of the page. Links to fact sheets and contact information for the Tennessee Department of Health are available at <http://health.state.tn.us/coalash-spill.htm>.

EPA sampling results and other information related to the Kingston ash spill can be found at <http://www.epa.gov/region4/kingston/index.html>.

Police Beat

Pauletta Marianne Underwood, aka Kerr, 28, of Sedgewick Drive, Knoxville, was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy T. Julian, LCSO made the arrest.

Kelly Marie Harrison, 38,

of Magnolia, Knoxville, was charged with failure to appear on criminal littering/criminal trespassing charges.

Deputy T. Julian, LCSO made the arrest at the Knox County Jail.

Bobby Alan Hubbard, 29, Zion Ridge Road, Loudon, was charged with domestic violence assault (warrant) Saturday.

Deputy Bryan Blakney, LCSO, made the arrest.

Patrick Charles Westmoreland, 26, Old Midway Road, Lenoir City, was charged with violation of probation (Morgan County warrant) Saturday.

Deputy Lonnie Gaut, LCSO, made the arrest.

Daniel B. Akins 23, Vonore Road, Loudon was charged with violation of probation Friday.

Deputy John Maples, LCSO made the arrest.

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at the Hilton Hotel at the airport, someone came into his hotel room and took his saxophone without permission.

Hotel personnel instructed Mr. Thompson to file a police report with a local agency.

The estimated value of the loss is \$1800.

Fraud

Deputy Jerramie Bowen, LCSO responded to the TA Travel Center Watt Road, Knoxville on a hold up alarm. The clerk at the fuel desk stated a black male wearing a black tee shirt, baseball cap and jacket came into the store and tried to cash a \$300 com check. The man is about 6'6" 280 pounds with a mustache and dark complexion.

Deputy Bowen checked the back lot and travel store and had no contact with the subject. The clerk advised the man was in the store the

day before and cashed two checks.

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

Hammon

approximately 1/2 pound of marijuana was discovered along with scales used to weigh marijuana for resale and baggies used to package marijuana for resale.

During an interview with Kayla Hammon she stated she brought the marijuana from Texas and was selling it in small amounts to make money. Found in Hammon's possession was over \$900 in cash.

Kayla Rebecca Hammon, 24, of Alstead Drive, Houston, TX, was charged with possession of marijuana for resale and possession of drug paraphernalia. Sgt. Billy Hall, LCSO ND made the arrest.

Police Beat

Sarah Deena Bennett,

29, of South Roane Street, Harriman, was charged with failure to appear and violation of probation.

According to the affidavit, Bennett was convicted of SP, PODP, FTA and VOP x2 and was sentenced to probation for 11 months 29 days.

Since then Bennett has failed to report to probation officer; failed to pay costs/fines, failed to pay supervision fees, owes \$255; failed to respond to notices; and was convicted in Roane Criminal Court of simple possession of schedule VI.

Deputy McKinzie Williams, LCSO made the arrest.

Kathleen Mary Fitzgerald, 46, of Oostanali Way, Loudon, was charged with assault by domestic violence.

According to the warrant, filed by Corporal Chad Estes, LCSO; the officer was dispatched to a physical altercation and the caller reported Kathleen had possibly taken some medication in an attempt to com-

mit suicide and she had assaulted her father and he was holding her down.

When the officer arrived he could hear yelling coming from a bedroom and he found the victim holding down Kathleen and she was attempting to fight him and when released she continued to be irate and would not follow the officers instructions.

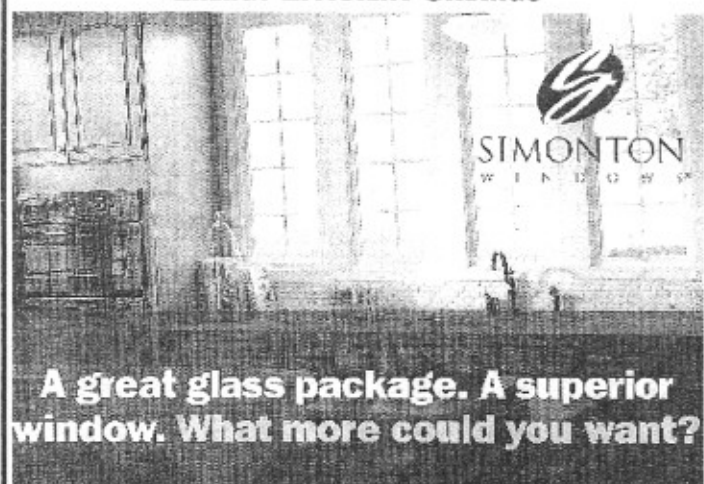
Fitzgerald attempted to leave the room and attempted to physically fight with the victim in the officer's presence.

Fitzgerald appeared to be mentally disturbed and in need of psychological help. Fitzgerald continued to argue and fight with officers and had to be removed from the residence and taken into custody. Deputy McKinzie Williams LCSO made the arrest.

Michelle Lee Miller, 34, of Williams Street, Sweetwater, was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy John Maples, LCSO made the arrest.

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