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Friday, February 27, 2009

## Accused murderess jailed after Brush fire destroys visiting victim's mom

A Maryville woman accused of murdering another woman's son was jailed after she allegedly went to the home of her victim's mother despite a court order to stay away.

April Jennifer Warren 37, Howard School Road, Maryville was charged with aggravated criminal trespassing Monday.

According to a warrant filed by a Greenback woman, on December 25, 2008, at approximately 6:00 p.m. April Warren and her mother arrived at the victim's home in Greenback.

Warren does not have permission to be at this residence according to an order/

(see Warren pg. 8)



## camper

A local man was clearing some land for another man's grandmother when a brush reportedly grew out of control and burned property, including a camper.

According to the report, on Friday at 2:45 p.m. Deputy Mike Williams, LCSO responded to a call of an out-of-control brush fire on Corinth Church Road in Loudon, which had damaged a camping trailer that belonged to Mr. Randy Ragsdale, of Hardin Cemetery Road, Vonore.

When the officer arrived (see Fire pg. 6)

### Teen charged with stealing | Identity theft reported teacher's camera

was taken into custody at camera. Greenback School after she

A Lenoir City teenager allegedly stole a teacher's

According to the report,

(see Gates pg. 4)

A Greenback woman to her account in another called police when she checked her credit card statement and discovered someone had made charges

state.

According to the report, on Wednesday at 4:32 p.m. Deputy Craig Brewer, LCSO

(see Identity theft pg. 9)

## Songbird Deaths Attributed to Salmonella

reports have come into Ten- officials. nessee Wildlife Resources

Agency regional offices over IV offices have had calls the past few weeks about about dead birds in several songbirds dying around counties," said Scott Dykes,

"Most affected are purple "Region III and Region finches, pine siskins, and American goldfinches."

were sent to the Southeast-

Morristown, - A number of feeders, according to TWRA TWRA non-game biologist. ern Cooperative Wildlife Disease Study Center (SCWDS) in Athens, Ga. for analysis.

> "The results of the ex-Some of the dead birds amination indicated that salmonella poisoning was

> > (see Songbirds pg. 8)

### Verse of the day

My praise shall Arlie Price be of thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear him. Psalm 22:25

### Obituaries

Charmaine Elaine Poteet Divelbiss

### Weather:

Today: A steady rain early. Showers with perhaps a rumble of thunder developing in the afternoon. High 59. CoR: 80%, Rainfall possibly over one inch.

Tonight: Rain showers in the evening will evolve into a more steady rain overnight. Low 49. CoR: 80%.

50s; Lows: low 30s. Sunday: Windy, snow showers possible. Highs: upper 30s; Lows: Pisces mid 20s.

Wazzup

A big shout out to Shannon, Trevor and

Saturday: Chance of Maggie, y'all need showers. Highs: low to come by and visit sometime.

## Horoscopes

(Feb 20-Mar 20)

You're soaking up (see Horoscopes pg. 2)

#### Gates

a teacher reported several things stolen from her classroom at Greenback School, A digital camera, a Canon Powershot SD360. valued at \$360 was one of the items sto-

Alyssa Camarie Gates reported around a week ago she went to the teacher's room and took the digital camera from the closet. The camera had several pictures of Alyssa and her friends on it.

Alvssa Camarie Gates, 18, of Mincey Street, Lenoir City was charged with theft under \$500.

Deputy TJ Scarbrough, LCSO made the arrest at Greenback School.

#### Police Beat

Michael David White, 43, of Kingston Street, Lenoir city, was charged with driving under the influence 2nd offense.

According to the report, Deputy Jerramie Bowen, LCSO was patrolling Pond Creek Read when a vehicle came around the curve flashing its lights. The deputy turned around and made contact with the vehicle and stopped it for an expired tag.

White was the driver and had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and performed poorly on sobriety tasks.

There were several opened beer cans in the floorboard.

White also refused a BAC test. Deputy Jerramie Bowen LCSO made the ar-

Latonda Shaneen Hughes, 28, of Francis Drive, Lenoir City was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Olwin Norman LCSO made the arrest.

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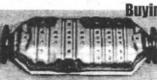
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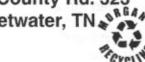
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### ire

the fire had been extinguished by area neighbors and property owners with water hoses and a tractor.

Mr. Sanford Wood reportedly was burning a brush pile created from clearing land belonging to Ms. Virginia Summey, Mr. Ragsdale's grandmother. The fire got out of control when the wind picked up and blew hot embers into the grassy area nearby. It burned onto property owned by Mr. Ragsdale and destroved a 1988 Coleman Shanandoa pop up camper.

The value of the damages were unknown at the time of the report. Mr. Wood did have a fire permit and advised he would pay for the damages.

### Police Beat

George Glynn Greenwood, 58 of Corinth Church Road. Loudon was charged with driving under the influence, possession of schedule IV and implied consent.

According to the report, Officer Nathan Wilson, LCPD was dispatched to a report of a vehicle in the median. Upon arrival the officer found a white van sitting in the median.

Upon speaking to the driver, Mr. Greenwood, officers could smell a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage about his breath and person. Greenwood

was unable to perform sobriety tasks due to medical conditions.

Upon searching Mr. Greenwood officers found a small blue table believed to be Valium. Greenwood refused any BAC tests.

Officer Nathan Wilson LCPD made the arrest.

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### Warren

condition of bond signed on October 24, 2008 from Blount County Circuit Court that states April Warren should be confined to her mother's home and have no contact with the family.

According to the victim, Warren has been charged with the murder of the woman's son in Blount County and this places the woman to be in fear for her safety.

Deputy Mckinzie Williams, LCSO made the arrest.

### Songbirds

the cause of death," said Dykes.

Salmonella bacteria are present in the gut of many wild and domestic birds and periods of stress can cause sickness or death.

"To try to narrow down the cause, we have collected bird seed samples from the affected areas to send to SCWDS for analysis as well." said Dykes

It is recommended that people maintaining bird feeders should periodically empty the feeders and thoroughly wash them in a solution of one part bleach and nine parts water. Any dead birds found around the feeders should be buried to help prevent disease spread to other wildlife. Individuals should wear rubber gloves when handling sick or dead birds.

The TWRA has four regions in the state. Region III consists of Bledsoe, Bradley, Clay, Cumberland, DeKalb, Fentress, Grundy, Hamilton, Jackson, Marion, McMinn, Meigs, Morgan, Overton, Pickett, Polk, Putnam, Rhea, Roane, Sequatchie, Scott, Van Buren, Warren, and White counties.

Counties in TWRA's Region IV are Anderson, Blount, Campbell, Carter, Claiborne, Cocke, Grainger, Greene, Hamblen, Hancock, Hawkins, Jefferson, Johnson, Knox, Loudon, Monroe, Sevier, Sullivan, Washington, Unicoi, and Union.

#### Police Beat

Gregory C. Berry 26, Beals Chapel Road, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation Monday.

Deputy Littleton, LCSO made the arrest at the Loudon County Jail,

Christopher N. Parsons 36, Mulberry Street, Loudon was charged with violation of probation and an attachment.

According to records, on Monday at 9:55 p.m. Patrol-woman April Farmer, LPD made contact with Christopher Parsons on a traffic stop on Highway 72 at Highway 11. Mr. parsons was a passenger in the vehicle.

Parsons was taken into custody on a violation of probation warrant and a child support attachment.

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responded to Highway 95 North, Greenback to a report of identity theft.

Mrs. Tammy Selvidge stated while checking her credit card statement she found a charge for \$208.37 to the Home Depot in Chicago, Illinois.

Selvidge advised she checked with the credit card company and no other cards have been issued to her account. Mrs. Selvidge and her husband's cards are accounted for.

The Home Depot in Lenoir City called the Chicago store and faxed a copy of the receipt for the sale.

The value of the loss was estimated at \$208.37.

#### Police Beat

Shawn Dominique Johnson, 20, of Kelly Lane, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

According to the affidavit, Johnson was convicted of

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evading arrest, SP and resisting and was sentenced to probation for 11 months 29 days.

Since then Johnson has failed to report to probation officer; failed to pay costs/fines, owes \$6108.50: failed to pay probation fees, owes \$205 and this is his 3rd VOP

Officer Nathan Wilson LCPD made the arrest.

Tennessee Division of Consumer Affairs and THP Promote National Consumer Protection Week

Nashville, - The Tennessee Division of Consumer Affairs and the Tennessee Highway Patrol have joined forces to promote identity theft prevention as part of the 11th annual National Consumer Protection Week (NCPW), March 1-7.

On Saturday, March 7, from 12:00 p.m. until 3 p.m. (local time), Consumer Affairs and the THP are hosting shredding events at 15

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locations across the state for citizens to safely shred and dispose of their personal and household records and documents. To protect your identity, please consider taking advantage of this free opportunity at these locations:

\* Knoxville- THP Headquarters, 7601 Kingston Pike

Marvville- Drivers License Station, 318 Home. Avenue

\* Oak Ridge- Oak Ridge Police Department, 200 South Tulane Avenue

\*Please note there is a 2 box maximum per vehicle. Newspaper and cardboard will not be accepted.

Members of the Tennessee Highway Patrol will be at each of the sites distributing information that includes other preventative measures during the shredding events. In addition, Consumer Affairs will have personnel available at the LP Field location to answer any questions.

"Identity theft is defined as when someone uses your personal information

to commit a fraud or other crime," said Colonel Mike Walker of the Tennessee Highway Patrol. "Everyone is at risk of having their information stolen and misused regardless of their age or credit history."

According to the Federal Trade Commission, scam artists and fraudsters are likely to be using the economic downturn to take advantage of consumers who may be underwater financially. They estimate that more than 9 million identity thefts occurred in the United States last year and was the number one fraud reported in Tennessee. Therefore. Consumer Affairs and the Tennessee Highway Patrol want Tennesseans to learn more about these frauds and how to protect themselves.

"Our goal is to encourage consumers to shred old documents that contain personal information before discarding them, in an effort to deter identity thieves," said Mary Clement, Director of the Tennessee Division of Consumer Affairs.

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