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Wednesday, March 18, 2009

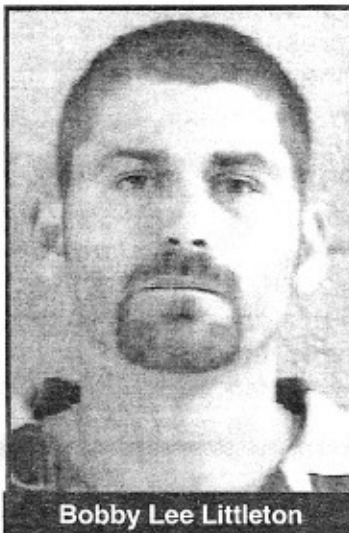
## Needle drug paraphernalia lands Loudon man in jail

A Loudon man was taken into custody after police stopped a vehicle he was a passenger in a found multiple items of drug paraphernalia within his reach. Authorities indicate ore charges may be pending against the man.

Bobby Lee Littleton, 29, Pathkiller Trail, Loudon was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to the report, on Wednesday at approximately 1:34 p.m. Officer

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Bobby Lee Littleton

## Woman saves home from fire

A local woman's quick thinking and immediate action is credited with saving her home from fire early Thursday.

According to records, early Thursday morning at approximately 5:31 a.m. Deputy Jason Goddard, LCSO was dispatched to Turman Drive in Lenoir City on a residential fire call.

Mrs. Glenda Suits, 76, stated around 5:30 a.m. she turned the porch light on and

flipped the switch to turn a lamp on in the living room, and it did not come on. After turning on the TV her dog went over near the electric heater and she went to get her dog away from it.

There was a small table in front of an outlet with a electric heater underneath the table that was plugged in.

Mrs. Suits advised she heard popping noises coming from the outlet and fire coming out of it. She quickly

(see Fire pg. 6)

## Thieves wipe out entire household, more

Two Tennessee persons called police when they discovered thieves apparently wiped out the contents of an entire house and outbuildings at their former Loudon County residence sometime over the past few months.

According to records, on Wednesday at 10:05 a.m. Mrs. Lyndi A. Hodge of Old Fort, Tennessee and Mr. Harold H. McCurley of Belton South Carolina reported

to Deputy Michael Watkins, LCSO they both had items stored at a residence on Highway 70 East where they used to live.

Mr. McCurley stated he was at the residence in November and all the items were fine. He came back to the residence about two weeks ago and the items were gone, along with the home being ransacked.

Mrs. Hodge stated it was

(see Thieves pg. 3)

## Burglary

A Highway 11 East man called police Thursday when he returned home to find his home had been ransacked and several thousand dollars worth of his property missing.

According to records, Thursday evening at 7:56 p.m. Mr. Billy J. Dishner, Highway 11 East reported to Deputy Michael Watkins, LCSO he left his residence around 5:00 p.m. and returned a short time later to find the rear door of his residence kicked in and his

(see Burglary pg. 3)

## Explosion reported

A Tellico Village man called authorities Tuesday when someone exploded a two liter bottle in his driveway.

According to reports, on Tuesday at 8:45 p.m. Mr. David Carpenter, Kiyuga Way, Tellico Village called the Loudon County Sheriff's Office to report what he believed to be an explosion in his driveway. Corporal Chad Estes, LCSO arrived and took the report.

Mr. Carpenter stated he

(see Explosion pg. 7)

### Verse of the day

For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. But God is the judge: he putteth down one,

and setteth up another.

Psalm 75:6-7

### Obituaries

Margaret Evelyn Hooks  
Joe P. Schneider Jr.

### Weather:

Today: Sunshine. High

72.

Tonight: Clear skies with a few passing clouds. Low 51.

Thursday: Occasional showers possible. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the low 40s.

### Wazzup

Congratulations, Sarah Harper, on getting your ranking in the ROTC!

### Horoscopes

#### Pisces

(Feb 20-Mar 20)

You can win big today

as long as you keep your eyes and ears open -- observation is really all you need to get yourself in order. See if you can just hang back while others plot

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

## Thieves

June or July of last year since she was at the residence. There was no forced entry and according to the neighbors there were three different vehicles hauling items out since the middle of November through January of 2009.

Items taken from the residence include a washer, dryer, refrigerator, china cabinet with china dishes and collectable dishes, wide leather recliner and oak cabinet, pots, pans, and other dishes, antique cabinet, grandfather clock, all bathroom hand towels and wash cloths, black iron twin bed with mattress and box springs, cherry armoire, full size bed with mattress and box springs, vanity dresser and mirror, chest of drawers, two jewelry boxes with jewelry, one 410 single shot shotgun, one 12 gauge single shot shotgun, one .22 caliber long rifle, an old collector Daisy BB gun, several canned food items personally carried in gold colored cans, old coins and dollars of an unknown amount, a sofa, an old TV stereo combined console unit, coffee and end tables, California king bed with mattress and box springs, Sony Camcorder, several Holiday Barbie dolls still in their boxes, porcelain collector dolls, and several Earnhardt collector items and pictures.

Taken from the outbuildings were an air compressor, three chest type freezers, several old truck parts, a 50' extension cord made from welding leads, cherry round table with six chairs, a gas heater 6' tall with Butane tank, several power tools and mechanic tools, a garden tiller and garden tools.

Neither Mrs. Hodge or Mr.

McCurley have lived here for about one to two years.

The case is under investigation. The total value of the loss was unknown at the time of the report.

The suspect vehicles were described as a red Ford 4 door truck newer model, white Chrysler car, and a blue/green Jeep Cherokee.

## Burglary

whole house ransacked. Several items were missing.

Investigator Charles Cosner, LCSO was called to the scene for evidence recovery and to investigate the crime.

The items taken were a Nintendo Wii, Xbox, Playstation 2, about 150 games and DVDs, Compaq and a E Machine computer, Phillips surround sound system, Sanyo 32" TV and Phillips DVD player, wooden Compound Bow, Sony CD player, misc. jewelry, approximately \$1400 in cash, two hand held walkie talkies, Sony video camera, and a Kodak digital camera.

The total estimated value of the loss is \$4930. The investigation is ongoing.

## Police Beat

Darick A. Picca 35, Big Mountain Church Road, Oliver Springs was charged with driving on suspended license and two warrants out of Roane County.

According to records, on Wednesday at approximately 10:35 a.m. Patrolman James Bowman, LCPD stopped a gray 1986 Ford F-150 driven by Darick A. Picca for not wearing his seat belt.

Upon running Picca's information through NCIC it showed his drivers license to be suspended. It also showed him to have two warrants out of Roane County.



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## Littleton

James Bowman, LCPD stopped a white 1995 Buick for the driver failing to wear his seat belt.

The driver was identified as Jimmy Henderson. He reportedly gave consent to search his vehicle.

Officer Bowman reported he found a used syringe in a beer

can, a spoon used to heat up drugs, and a rubber strap also used to inject drugs. All the items were reportedly found in the passenger floor board of the Buick within arms reach of passenger Bobby Lee Littleton.

More charges may be pending against Littleton.

## Obituaries

**Joe P. Schneider, Jr.**, age 78, of Tellico Village Community died peacefully Sunday morning at his home from a short bout with cancer on March 15, 2009. Joe retired from the Hormel Food Corporation after 42 years of service. He was a scratch golfer, a life master bridge player, and an avid hunter and fisherman. Joe and good friend, Mike Ruppert established and operated the Smoky Mountain Sports Club for several years. He is survived by his loving wife of 37 years, Harriet. Joe has three children: Marc, Christine and Joe III; four grandchildren; step children, Diana Canacaris and Jimmy Davis; 1 step granddaughter, Lauran Canacaris; brother, Charles (Frieda); sister, Anne Maday (Andy) and 2 nieces. A celebration of Joe's life will be held on Saturday, March 28th at 11:00 a.m. at the Tellico Village Community Church with Rev. Martin Singley officiating. A reception will follow in the Christian Life Center. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to your charity of choice. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is serving the Schneider family.

**Margaret Evelyn Hooks**, age 84, of Lenoir City, passed away Sunday

at her home. Margaret was a member of Pine Top Baptist Church. Her husband, Fred Hooks; parents, William Henry O'Neal and Celia Elizabeth O'Neal; grandson, Michael Hooks; son-in-law, Gene Skidmore and several siblings, preceded her in death. She is survived by her children: Marcella Mon-eymaker (Raymond), James Hooks (Connie), Patricia Skidmore all of Lenoir City, Brenda Hooks of Nashville, Michael Hooks (Sherry) of Kingsport, Evelyn Thompson and Donald Hooks both of Lenoir City; 13 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; and sister, Ruth McGill of Knoxville. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday with funeral services to follow at 7 p.m. in the Click Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Eddie Chasteen officiating. Family and friends will gather at the funeral home by 10:30 a.m. Wednesday and proceed to Lakeview Cemetery for graveside services at 11 a.m. Serving as pallbearers: Steven Garrett, Ray Garrett, James Hooks, Michael J. Hooks, Jonathan Thompson and Lynn Skidmore. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is serving the Hooks family.



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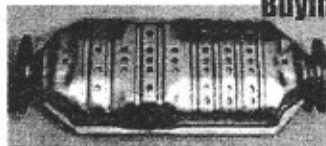
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## Fire

unplugged the heater and moved it, along with the table from the wall, and flipped the breaker off in the breaker box.

Records indicate the courageous woman then grabbed a fire extinguisher and put the fire out.

Due to Mrs. Suits quick actions there was minimal damage done to the house, although there was damage to the outlet, the wall above it and the plug on the electric heater. It appeared the fire was electrical in nature.

Loudon County Fire and Rescue responded to the scene to check for hot spots

in the wall. None were found.

## Police Beat

Kevin L. Ryneason 51, Matlock Alley, Philadelphia was charged Wednesday with violation of probation.

According to records Ryneason was convicted of assault in August of 2007 and placed on probation for a term of 11-29, since then he has failed to meet with his probation officer, failed to pay court costs and fines with a balance of \$343, and failed to pay probation fees with a balance of \$620.

Ryneason has also picked up new charges of aggravat-

ed assault in Loudon County.

Deputy John Wilson, LCSO made the arrest.

Karen Flowers, no

age listed, Christian Street, Philadelphia was charged with an attachment out of Loudon County Juvenile Court.

Deputy J. Bowen,

LCSO took Flowers into custody and transported her to the Loudon County Jail where Corporal Angi Martin, LCSO placed her under arrest.

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## Explosion

went outside to look, and discovered a green 3 liter plastic bottle in his driveway that had exploded. There was aluminum foil laying around it. Inside the bottle was a liquid substance and the foil appeared to be burnt possibly

from a chemical reaction from it and the unknown liquid being mixed together.

Several neighbors heard the explosion but no one saw anybody or a vehicle.

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

## Police Beat

Michelle L. Geiger 48, Valley Hill Drive, Acworth, Georgia was charged with DUI 1st, possession schedule IV and possession legend drug without prescription.

According to records, on Monday at 6:00 p.m. Trooper

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Matthew Vespie, THP responded to a two vehicle accident on I75 South at the 77 mile marker. Upon arrival the officer identified the driver as Michelle Geiger.

Geiger was transported to the hospital by ambulance.

Once at the hospital, Trooper Vespie noted she had very slurred speech and gave an incorrect address as to where she lived.

Ms. Geiger allegedly admitted to taking Zanax that afternoon prior to driving.

Upon release from the hospital she was very unstable on her feet. After arrest, a search of her purse revealed 4 1/2 pills identified as Klonopin and 1 pill identified as Finegrin which, she denied possession of.

Stephan E. Thompson 24, Kentberra Drive, Knoxville was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy John Maples, LCSO made the arrest.

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