

# DAILY EDITION

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Friday, March 6, 2009

## Update: Woman charged with attempted murder in shooting

Authorities officially charged a Sweetwater woman with the attempted murder of her husband.

Margaret P. Richisen, 40, Holt Road, was charged with attempted murder just after 7:00 p.m. Wednesday.

Richisen was taken to Lakeshore Hospital

(see Richisen pg. 3)



Margaret P. Richisen

## Teen busted with juvenile in stolen vehicle

Police arrested a local teen after stopping the stolen vehicle he was a passenger in finding he was living with a runaway juvenile.

Billy W. Malone, 18, Martel Road, Lenoir City was charged with theft \$1,000 to \$10,000 and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

According to records, on Sunday morning at or about 12:53 a.m. Sgt. Jimmy Wiggins, LCSO ob-

(see Malone pg. 4)



Billy W. Malone

## Attention: All Loudon County Parents and School Staff



Rachel Chatfield

The following is an update in regards to the Loudon County School Calendar for the year 2009-2010. This seems to be an ongoing issue and will hopefully be resolved at the next School Board meeting on March 12th.

If you have not voiced your opinion on the Loudon County School 2009-2010 Calendar yet, please do so quickly. The calendar is being voted on at the next School Board meeting

(see School Calendar pg. 4)

## He sure hadn't been sniffing Smurfs

A Philadelphia man who had blue around his nose reportedly told police he'd been snorting pills after his vehicle was stopped for

suspicion of DUI and a bad headlight Sunday.

Clyde E. Taylor, 40, Gateway Circle, Philadelphia was charged with driving

(see Taylor pg. 6)

## Fire Marshal Reminds Tennesseans to Replace Smoke Alarm Batteries This Weekend

Nashville, - As clocks move ahead this weekend for daylight saving time, Tennessee State Fire Marshal Leslie A. Newman would like to remind Tennesseans to change their homes' smoke alarm batteries, as well.

"'Change your clock, change your battery' is an easy phrase to remember and practice, when

you update your clocks this weekend," says Newman. "Smoke alarms, even those that are hard-wired, should have their batteries replaced regularly and be tested monthly to ensure you have the protection you need," Newman says. "Use this time to protect your home and family."

(see Batteries pg. 3)

## Verse of the day

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth;

and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

Matthew 7:7-8

## Weather:

Today: Partly cloudy skies. High 63.

Tonight: Partly cloudy. Low 47.

Friday: Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 50s.

## Wazzup

A big shout out and thanks to Lon-

nie Jones, for all your help! - from Crystal and Robert.

## Horoscopes

### Pisces

(Feb 20-Mar 20)

Your energy is perfectly in sync with the

rest of the world and you're in a good position to explore your creative side. Try to discover new ways of expressing yourself to broaden your artistic

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

## Batteries

A working smoke alarm will double your survival chances during a home fire by giving you the critical time needed to escape. Most home fires occur at night when people are sleeping. The smoke and toxic gases from a fire can cause you to sleep more deeply, diminishing the chances of survival.

More than 90 percent of all American homes have smoke alarms, but as many as one-third of them don't work – because of old or missing batteries. It is critical to replace batteries regularly – even if they appear to be working fine. Twice a year is recommended. This helps prevent the warning, low-battery “chirp” emitted by alarms. All too often, alarm batteries are removed but not replaced, putting home occupants at risk. There is no way to predict when a fire will occur, and just one night in a home without a working smoke alarm can prove dangerous. Replacing batteries for daylight saving time is just one fire safety step. Here are a few more:

Smoke alarms should be put inside and outside every room where residents sleep, and on each home level. All residents should know how the alarm sounds and what it means.

Smoke alarms need to be cleaned and maintained according to their instructions.

Have a fire escape plan with two ways out of every room; teach it to everyone in the home, especially children.

When the smoke alarm sounds, get out of the home immediately and go to a pre-planned meeting place.

Many local fire departments have supplies of donated smoke alarms, and departments will help install

them in the homes of the elderly and disabled. Visit [www.tn.gov/commerce/sfm/](http://www.tn.gov/commerce/sfm/). The Department of Commerce and Insurance works to protect consumers while ensuring fair competition for industries and professionals who do business in Tennessee.

## Richisen

for evaluation following the shooting, which occurred just before 9:00 a.m. Sunday when Richisen allegedly fired five rounds from a semiautomatic pistol into her husband, Joey Richisen, 30.

Joey Richisen was critically injured and taken to UT Medical Center where he underwent several hours of surgery to repair the damage.

No other information was available at press time.

## Police Beat

Laura S. Russell 32, Haven Glen Lane, Atlanta was charged with driving under the influence 1st offense.

According to the report, early Sunday morning at 12:44 a.m. Deputy Jerramie Bowen, LCSO received a call of a possible drunk driver passing the 81 mile marker.

The officer caught up with the vehicle around the 76 mile marker and observed it cross the fog line twice and was half on the shoulder, and traveling approximately 40 m.p.h..

The driver was identified as Laura Russell. The officer asked where she was coming from and she reportedly stated she had been to a party and had a glass of wine. There was a strong odor of alcohol coming from the vehicle.

Russell refused to perform field sobriety tasks. She was placed under arrest and transported to jail.



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## Malone

served a white 2001 GMC Sierra pickup on Highway 321 near McGhee Boulevard.

The vehicle reportedly swerved several times and crossed the fog line twice. Upon running the tag on the vehicle, it came back as reported stolen from Shelby County, Tennessee.

The officer followed the vehicle to a parking place in the Food City parking lot where he did a felony traffic stop.

After speaking to the occupants, Deputy Wiggins found the driver to be a runaway 16 year old juvenile from Shelby County. Billy Wayne Malone was a passenger in the vehicle.

Mr. Malone allegedly stated the juvenile has been living with him.

The officer confirmed the vehicle was stolen and the juvenile was confirmed as a runaway.

## School Calendar

on March 12th.

Please view the proposed calendars on my website at [www.rachelchatfield.com](http://www.rachelchatfield.com). If

you can not attend the meeting, please respond to my survey so that your voice can be heard. Send an email to [parentsforloudoncounty@gmail.com](mailto:parentsforloudoncounty@gmail.com) with your preference of the 175 day calendar or the old schedule of 180 school days. Updates from the Workshop and more explanations of the calendar options are available on my website.

As requested by the Board, the results of my survey will be presented to them on March 12th at the next Loudon County School Board meeting. I encourage you all to attend or at least have your voice heard by emailing me. If we all continue to work together and do our part, we can be certain that the decisions being made will benefit our children and also the members of our Loudon County school staff.

Thank you all for your encouragement and participation that I have received so far on this matter.  
Rachel Chatfield  
Resident of Lenoir City  
Parent of two children at Eaton Elementary



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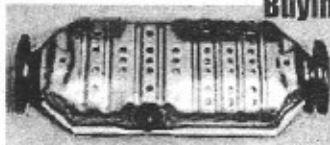
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## Burglary

under the influence 1st offense.

According to reports, on Sunday at approximately 8:50 p.m. Officer Blake Norman, LPD observed a black 1992 Chevy S-14 traveling east on Highway 72 with a headlight out.

The vehicle made a right turn onto Highway 11 south. It crossed the center line three times. The third time the vehicle continued to straddle the center line for approximately 300 to 400 feet.

The vehicle was stopped on Highway 11 at Wickers trailer park. The driver was identified as Clyde Taylor and it was reported he had bloodshot eyes, slurred speech, and

had a blue pill residue in and around the outside of his nose.

Taylor reportedly advised officer he'd snorted Hydrocodone and approximately 2 Valium. He did poorly on field sobriety tasks.

Taylor was read the implied consent and agreed to a blood test. He was transported to the Fort Loudon ER for the blood test and then to the jail.

## Police Beat

Martin R. Stone 47, Wellington Lane, Louisville, Tn was charged with DUI 1st.

According to the report, on Sunday at 7:43 pm Deputy Steve Helm LCSO received a call of a possible intoxicated driver in a red 1999 Honda Civic on Mar-

tel Road that possibly pulled into a driveway to turn around.

The complainant was a motorist following the vehicle. A registration check of the tag showed the vehicle

suspected to be stolen out of Knox County. The driver, Martin Stone had very slurred speech, an odor of an alcoholic beverage about him and was confused about the

day and time, stating it was Monday about 10:00pm. Stone could not complete field sobriety tasks. He reportedly stated he was taking medication, Zanex and drank three beers.

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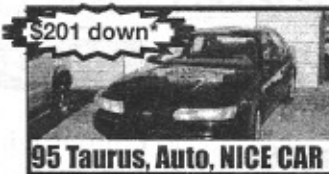
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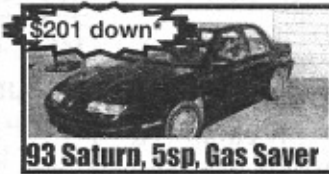
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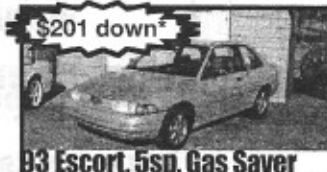
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## Police Beat

Vincent Loosmore 43, Homeless, was charged with public intoxication.

According to the report, on Sunday at 6:40pm Officer Nathan Wilson, LCPD received a call of a possible intoxicated person in the middle of West Broadway at Victoria's Antiques.

Upon locating Loosmore he reportedly was very unstable on his feet and had a very strong odor of an

alcoholic beverage about his breath and person.

Mr. Loosmore was deemed a danger to himself and others if left out in the public.

Timothy D. Gebert 46, Cox Road, Loudon was charged with DUI and violation of implied consent.

According to the report, on Monday at 2:39am Deputy B. Dixon, LCSO was enroute to the jail with a possible DUI driver when he

noticed a white Ford F-150 cross the fog line several times. The subject in the patrol car that was already under arrest asked Deputy Dixon if he was going to stop him.

The driver of the truck pulled into the entrance to Kimberly Clark and was stopped by the officer. He was identified as Timothy Gebert.

Mr. Gebert had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and was unsteady on his feet.

Gebert reportedly stated he drank three beers. He performed poorly on field sobriety tasks.

Gebert was read implied consent and refused. He was placed under arrest for DUI and transported to jail.

Joseph E. Russell 44, Watson Road, Loudon was charged with criminal trespassing.

According to records, on Thursday about 2:00pm Patrolman Kent Russell, LPD received information Mr.

Russell, who reportedly is under trespass notice from the Loudon Housing Authority, entered a residence on Maple Lane.

The lawman concluded his report by noting Mr. Russell is aware of the trespass notice and has been arrested for it in the past.

Donald James Bennett, 47, was charged with public intoxication.

Deputy Shane Ezell, LCSO was dispatched to I40 at the Watt Road exit on a suspicious person. Upon arriving at the scene Deputy Ezell observed a male subject sitting in a vehicle.

While approaching the vehicle the officer observed the subject drinking a 24-ounce beer and made contact with him and identified the man as Donald Bennett.

Bennett performed poorly on sobriety tasks and was a danger if left in public. Deputy Shane Ezell, LCSO made the arrest.

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