

DAILY EDITION

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Wednesday, April 1, 2009

Sometimes all you can say about something is, "Duh!"

A Knoxville couple was taken into custody after they went to the Justice Center reportedly under the influence of pills. Half of the pair received additional charges when corrections officers discovered numerous pills in her possession after her arrest.

Kristi Nicole Watson, 22, Snyder Road, Knoxville was

charged with public intoxication, introduction of controlled substance into a penal facility, possession of schedule IV for resale and possession of schedule II for resale.

Christopher Charles Watson 23, also of Snyder Road, was charged with public intoxication.

According to records,

(see "Duh!" pg. 6)



Kristi Nicole Watson

"Duh" must be the word of the day

Police charged a Lenoir City man after he reportedly visited the ETHRA probation offices while under the influence of alcohol, then drove away when confronted by probation officers.

Victor K. Falk, 41, of Shaw Ferry Road, Lenoir City was charged with DUI 1st and violation of implied consent.

According to the report, Officer Blake Norman, LPD was dispatched to ETHRA

(see Falk pg. 7)

Check thief charged



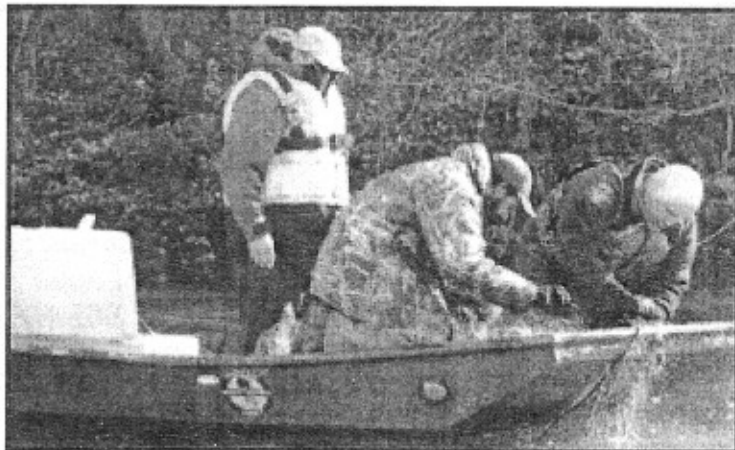
Shannon Carol Wallace

(see Wallace pg. 7)

April Nature @ Noontime to Concentrate on Kingston Fly Ash Spill

Nashville, - The Kingston Steam Plant fly ash spill will be the topic at the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency's next Nature @ Noontime program on Thursday, April 2 from 12-1 p.m. Hosted by TWRA's Information & Education Division, the program is held the first Thursday of each month with the exception of July.

David McKinney, Chief of TWRA's Environmental Services Division will be the program's April presenter and will give an overview of the spill and explain what



Dave McKinney, Chief, TWRA Environmental Services, (left, standing) will be the guest speaker at the April Nature @ Noontime. He is pictured along with Brandon Ragland, Region III Reservoirs Manager, and Chris Morton, technician for the Creel Unit at Blythe Ferry, collecting data on the Emory River near Kingston Steam Plant. (see Nature pg. 4)

Verse of the day

These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the

world. John 16:33

Weather:

Today: Showers with the chance of some thunder in the morning, then skies turning partly cloudy late. High 67. Chance of rain 80%.

Tonight: A few clouds

from time to time. Low near 50.

Thursday: Cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the mid 50s.

Wazzup

How come the left turn light at Highway

70 West and Highway 321 only lets three cars, or one school bus, go at a time? Why can't it be programmed to let a few more through, at least during school hours?

Horoscopes

Pisces

(Feb 20-Mar 20)

Today is just about perfect for exercising your creative energy. It's a good idea for

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Nature

investigations are on-going to monitor and evaluate the damage.

On Dec. 22, 2008, the walls gave way on a massive, above-ground coal ash landfill spilling coal ash sludge over more than 300 acres near Kingston. The nearly five and a half million tons of sludge spread across the community, knocked one home off its foundation and damaged others. The sludge toppled trees and filled wetlands and two embayments of the Emory River. This event raised health and environmental concerns in nearby neighborhoods and miles downstream and launched a cleanup that could cost \$825 million.

TWRA was one of the first on the scene, knowing that wildlife, especially aquatic species, could be adversely affected by the spill both at the site and downstream on the Emory and Clinch Rivers.

Fly ash, a by-product of burning coal, contains trace amounts of arsenic, lead, mercury, beryllium and other potentially toxic substances. The Kingston Power Plant, a coal-fired electric generation station initially developed during World War II, largely to power the uranium enrichment plants used to make

the world's first atomic bomb at nearby Oak Ridge National Laboratory, has been accumulating fly ash for years.

Among TWRA's Environmental Services Division's responsibilities are surveying and documenting fish kills and contaminant monitoring for muscels. Assessment of the impact of this fly ash release on wildlife resources and habitat will require repeated sampling and evaluation over the next three to five years and perhaps even longer. TWRA will be coordinating with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and other resource agencies in this process.

The Nature @ Noon-time presentations are about natural resource related topics and last about 30-45 minutes, allowing time for discussion during the allotted lunch hour. For those who would like to make a presentation, or have topics of personal interest to be addressed, or know someone who offers an interesting program, contact Patricia Miller (615-781-5276) or by e-mail: Patricia.Miller@state.tn.us.

Police Beat

Tessa Nicole King 25, Crooked Oak Drive, Lenoir City was charged with failure to appear (bad check) Saturday.

Corporal P. McGinley, LCSO made the arrest.



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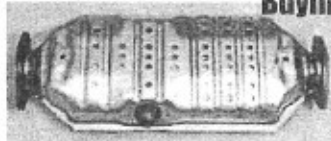
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"Duh!"

Thursday at 3:35 p.m. Assistant Chief Jimmy Davis II, LCSO received a complaint of a possible impaired person in the front lobby of the Justice Center. Upon his arrival he spoke with Mrs. Watson.

Watson allegedly spoke with slurred speech and she was very unsteady on her feet. She performed poorly on all field sobriety tasks.

Watson reportedly advised the officer she was not in possession of any narcotics when she was placed under arrest for public intoxication.

Once at the jail,

Deputy Olwin Norman, LCSO performed a pat down search of Mrs. Watson and found a tall prescription bottle inside of her shirt. There was no label on the bottle. Inside was a small clear plastic baggy containing 16 small round light blue pills identified as Roxicodone, a schedule II narcotic.

Also in the bottle were 20 oblong blue pills identified as Xanax, a schedule IV narcotic. Mrs. Watson did not possess a written prescription for the narcotics she possessed. As a result of bringing the narcotics into a cor-

rectional facility she was also charged with introduction of controlled substance into a penal facility.

Christopher Watson was charged af-

ter Assistant Chief Davis came in contact with him in the lobby and found he, too had slurred speech and was unsteady on his feet.

Christopher Watson performed poorly on all field sobriety tasks and advised he had taken two 1 mg. Xanax and two doses of Methadone.

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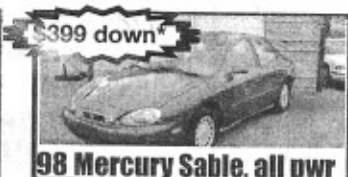
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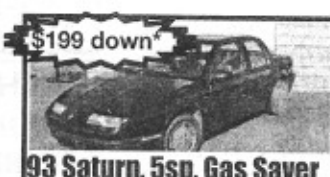
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Falk

where workers advised an intoxicated person had come into the building.

When probation officers confronted the subject, identified as Mr. Victor Falk, he proceeded to get into his vehicle.

Dispatch advised officers Falk was on Blair Bend Road headed toward High-

way 11 Officer Norman spotted Falk's vehicle and stopped it.

The officer reported Mr. Falk had very slurred speech and an odor of an intoxicant on his person. Falk performed poorly on sobriety tasks and denied a BAC test.

Officer Blake Norman, LPD made the arrest.

Wallace

A Loudon woman was jailed following an investigation into allegations she stole a check from a another woman and cashed it at a Lenoir City bank in early February.

Shannon Carol Wallace, aka Reynolds, 35, Shubert Street, Loudon was charged Friday with theft under \$500 and forgery.

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Police Beat

Charles Sherman Thaxton, 21, of River-view Road, Lenoir City was charged with driving on revoked.

According to the report, Officer Jason Felts, LCPD observed a silver vehicle with a broken taillight and stopped it.

The driver, Mr. Thaxton was found to have a revoked license. Officer Jason Felts, LCPD made the arrest.

Latonda Shaneen Hughes 28, Francis Drive, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation Saturday.

Deputy Chad Petty, LCSO made the arrest.

According to the report filed by Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD: on or about February 6, 2009 Carol Wallace aka Reynolds took a check to Green Bank on Highway 321 in Lenoir City. The check was drawn on the account of Robert H. Kennedy and Jana M. Kennedy and was made payable to Mandy Oody for \$125.

The check was allegedly cashed by Wallace at Green Bank and she did receive \$125 dollars.

The check was stolen from Mandy Oody and had her name signed on the back. This was done without the permission or knowledge of the owner.

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