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Tuesday, May 19, 2009

Two charged with manufacturing meth

Two Madisonville persons were taken into custody when police responded to a possible rolling domestic and discovered a meth lab instead.

Heather Lynn Burris, 26, Laurel Creek road, Madisonville was charged with promotion of methamphetamine manufacture, possession of drug paraphernalia and filing false reports.

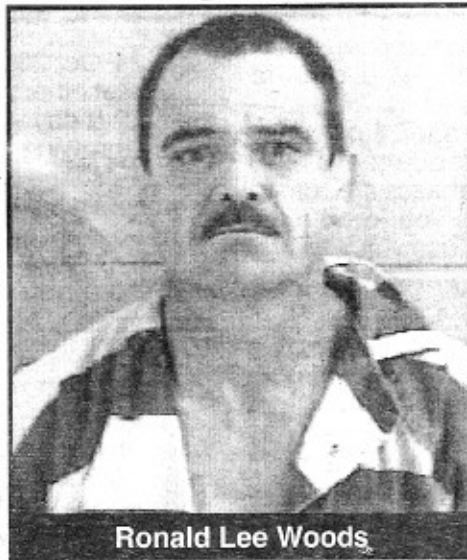
Ronald Lee Woods, 44, also of Laurel Creek Road, Madisonville was charged with promotion of methamphetamine manufacturing.

According to records, Saturday at approximately 6:22 p.m., Corporal Chad Estes, LCSO called Investigator

(see Charged pg. 3)



Heather Lynn Burris



Ronald Lee Woods

Public meetings today

The Loudon County Regional Planning Commission will meet at 5:30 p.m. May 19, 2009 with the Loudon County Board of Zoning Appeals meeting immediately following.

(see Meetings pg. 4)

Enjoy The Water But Be Safe This Summer

NASHVILLE - Memorial Day marks the unofficial start of swimming season, and is the traditional opening day of many public pools in Tennessee and across the country. The Tennessee Department of Health wants to make sure residents and visitors have a safe and healthy swimming season. TDOH joins

(see Water pg. 7)

Elderly woman victim of identity theft

An elderly Greenback woman reported the theft of her identity to authorities after she learned someone was using her credit card information to

make unauthorized purchases.

According to records, on Thursday, a 71 year old Southshore Drive, Greenback woman reported

to Lt. Investigator Jeff Vittatoe, LCSO CID she had recently discovered she is a victim of identity theft.

The woman stated (see Identity theft pg. 6)

Elk Hunt Application Heading Down the Home Stretch

NASHVILLE - The home stretch is underway for the Tennessee Wildlife Resources

Agency's acceptance of applications for participation in Tennessee's first-ever

managed elk hunt. Sportsmen have until midnight (CDT) on

(see Hunt pg. 8)

Verse of the day

Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your

members as instruments of righteousness unto God. Romans 6:13

Weather:

Today: Mainly sunny. High 78.

Tonight: Clear skies. Low 52.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the upper 50s.

Wazzup

Congratulations Kristopher Wayne Bell on your graduation. We're all proud

of you!

Horoscopes Taurus

(Apr 21-May 20)

Your energy wants to be used -- and it needs to be directed out into the world, or at least outside your-

self. Lend a hand to someone in need or volunteer for a cause you truly believe in.

Gemini

(May 21-June 21)

Someone close - maybe your mate

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Charged

tor Adam Yokley, LCSO to Highway 444 near Highway 321 for a possible meth lab. Upon arrival, Corporal Estes advised Investigator Yokley he obtained consent to search a 1990 blue and black GMC Sierra S15 pickup after seeing what he believed to be components of a methamphetamine lab in the vehicle.

While searching the vehicle Corporal Estes reported he found a one gallon can of Coleman camping fuel, one box of nasal decongestant containing twenty 120 mg pills, which have pseudoephedrine hydrochloride, an ingredient used to make methamphetamine, in them. Approximately nine lithium batteries were also found.

These items are used to manufacture methamphetamine.

After reading Ms. Burris her rights the officer asked her what the items in the vehicle were used for. Burris reportedly stated she was an informant for Conway Mason who works for Monroe County Sheriff's Office and they were on their way to deliver the items to someone in Monroe County that makes methamphetamine. Ms. Burris told the officers to call Conway Mason because he knew about it.

Investigator Conway Mason, MCSO was contacted and he advised Heather Burris was not working for him as an informant and she tried to obtain precursors from a CVS Pharmacy before, using that same story.

Burris reportedly admitted to purchasing the pseudoephedrine from the Wal-Mart in Lenoir City.

A check through the Tennessee Methamphetamine Data Base showed in the last 30 days Burris has purchased approximately 17.28 grams of cold medication that contained pseudoephedrine hydrochloride in Monroe and Loudon Counties.

Also found in Burris's possession was one hypodermic needle and a pill crusher that contained a white powder residue. Investigator Adam J. Yokley made the arrest, along with Corporal Chad Estes and Deputy Nick Lawson, all from the Loudon County

Sheriff's Office.

Woods was the vehicle owner and was a passenger at the time of the stop.

According to the report, a green plastic bowl with a lid that contained a green crystal substance believed to be fertilizer was also found in the vehicle. All the items found are components used to manufacture Methamphetamine.

A check through the Tennessee Methamphetamine Data Base showed in the last 30 days, Ronald Woods purchased approximately 10.08 grams of pseudoephedrine in Monroe County. Investigator Adam Yokley, LCSO made the arrest.

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Title Loans

Meetings

ing.

Planned RPC agenda items include: Request consideration of approval of 13 lot subdivision of 25.96 acres of property located on Hwy 321 at Hickory Valley Road and Unitia Road, referenced by Tax Map 44, part of Parcel 45.00, Zoned A-1, Agriculture-Forestry District, 3rd Legislative District. Owner: William R. Hicks Estate

Building Commissioner's Report: 27 permits issued for the month of April with an estimated value of \$1,920,167.00 and fees of \$7,352.00

There are no planned BZA agenda items.

Identity theft

someone had unlaw-

fully obtained her credit card information on a Capital One credit card and made unauthorized purchases to her credit card account. She found one confirmed unauthorized use in the amount of \$79.90 and suspects there may be others.

The woman notified the credit reporting agencies and has canceled the card.

Police Beat

Dylan S. Cox, 23, Grove Street, Loudon was charged with public intoxication.

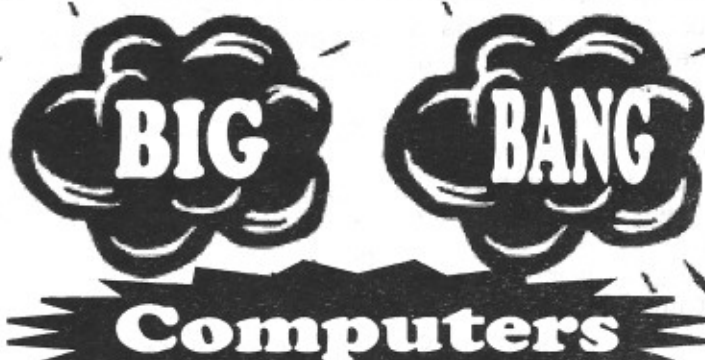
According to reports, Officer Samuel M. Harvey, LPD arrived on Grove Street to back up K-9 Officer John Yates, on an intoxicated person check.

Mr. Dylan S. Cox allegedly had an odor of an alcoholic beverage on or about his person, slurred speech and was unsteady on his feet.

Sgt. RS Newman, LPD advised Officer Harvey to take the man into custody for public intoxication.

Ronnie Clayton Willis, 31, Cantne Hollow Road, was taken into custody on a warrant out of Loudon County.

Patrolman James R. Bowman. LCPD made the arrest.



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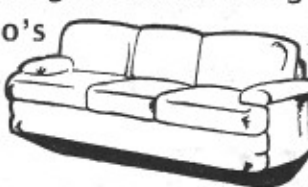
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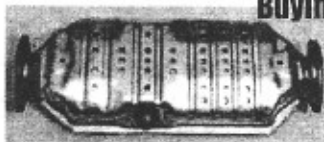
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Police Beat

Christopher James Flagg, 39, West 2nd Avenue, Lenoir City was charged with driving under the influence.

According to records, Lt. Mike Tinnel, LCPD was dispatched to investigate a traffic accident on West 2nd Avenue at E street. Upon arrival the officer observed Chris Flagg slumped over the steering wheel of a 1978 GMC pick-up truck.

The motor was still running, the truck was in reverse and Mr. Flagg's foot was on the brake.

Lt. Tinnel shook Mr. Flagg to get his attention and assisted him

in exiting the vehicle.

Mr. Flagg reportedly had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage about his person, was extremely unsteady on his feet and, according to the officer, his speech was so slurred he had to have Flagg repeat his answers to the questions the officer was asking.

Flagg was allegedly unable to perform field sobriety tasks due to his extreme intoxication.

After being advised of the implied consent law Mr. Flagg consented to have blood drawn at Fort Loudoun Medical Center.

Lisa Dianelee Col-

lins 29, Chestnut Street, Sweetwater was taken into custody on a capias bench warrant issued out of criminal court.

Olwin Norman

LCSO made the arrest at the Loudon County Jail.

Tyson Gray Vinyard, 31, Hines Valley Road, Lenoir City was taken

into custody on an attachment for child support.

Deputy Chris Bowen, LCSO made the arrest on Ebenezer Road in Knoxville.

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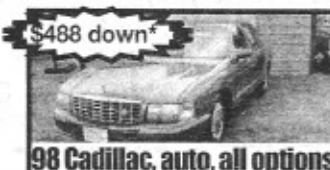
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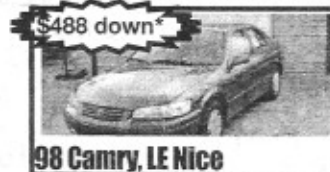
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the national observance of Recreational Water Illness Prevention Week May 18-24, 2009. This health observance in the week leading up to Memorial Day is designed to raise awareness about healthy swimming behaviors.

"There are simple steps you can take to make sure you and family members don't get sick or injured as a result of a day in the pool or at the lake," said Health Commissioner Susan R. Cooper, MSN, RN. "These

precautions will also protect others from illnesses that can be spread in water."

Recreational Water Illnesses (RWIs) are spread by swallowing, breathing in vapors of, or having contact with contaminated water in swimming pools, water parks, spas, interactive fountains, lakes, rivers or oceans. Germs on and in swimmers' bodies end up in the water and can make other people sick. RWIs can cause a wide variety of symptoms, including gastrointestinal, skin, ear, respiratory, eye, neurologic and

wound infections. Even healthy swimmers can get sick from RWIs, but the young, elderly, pregnant women and those with weakened immune systems are especially at risk.

"The best way to prevent RWIs is to keep germs out of the pool in the first place," said L. Rand Carpenter, DVM, a TDOH epidemiologist involved in waterborne disease surveillance. "Everyone can help create healthy swimming experiences this summer by following these six healthy swimming steps."

- Don't swim if you have diarrhea.
- Don't swallow pool water.
- Practice good hygiene. Shower with soap before swimming and wash your hands after using the toilet or changing diapers.
- Take children on frequent bathroom breaks or check diapers often.
- Change diapers in a bathroom or a diaper-changing area, not at

poolside.

• Wash children thoroughly, especially the buttocks, with soap and water before they go swimming.

Illnesses and outbreaks associated with recreational water vary from year to year. In 2008, there were no outbreaks reported in Tennessee that were caused by recreational water. However, nationwide cases and outbreaks of illness caused by cryptosporidium and other waterborne pathogens have been on the rise. Any illness or outbreak that is possibly caused by exposure to recreational water should be reported to your local health department.

Pool chemicals make the water where we swim safer by protecting us from germs. However, these same chemicals can also cause injuries if they are not properly handled. This type of preventable injury leads

to thousands of emergency room visits each year. Public pool operators and residential pool owners can protect themselves and swimmers by taking these key steps:

- Always secure pool chemicals. Keep children and animals away.
- Always read product name and manufacturer's directions before each use.
- Always use appropriate protective gear, such as safety glasses and gloves, when handling pool chemicals.
- Never mix chlorine products with each other, acid or other substances.

For more information about healthy swimming, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Healthy Swimming Web site at www.cdc.gov/healthyswimming, or the Environmental Protection Agency's beaches Web site www.epa.gov/beaches.

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Hunt

May 31 to submit their application.

TWRA has been accepting applications since April 1 for the elk hunt which will be held Oct. 19-23 at the North Cumberland Wildlife Management Area, located off I-75, north of Knoxville. There will be five Elk Hunting Zones designated at the WMA.

Five individuals will be selected to participate in the hunt. Four of the participants will be selected through a computer drawing conducted by the TWRA. The fifth participant will be the recipient of a permit that is donated to a NGO (Non-Governmental Organization) which this year is the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Foundation. The TWRF will auction its permit as part of a fund-raising project benefiting future elk restoration in Tennessee. More

information on the TWRF auction will be announced at a later date.

There is no application fee for current Tennessee Annual Sportsman License holders, Lifetime Sportsman License holders, or senior citizen hunters (Type 166) with an Annual Senior Citizen Permit (Type 167). All other applicants will be charged a \$10 non-refundable permit fee, a \$2 internet usage fee (if applying online) and \$0.50 drawing fee (the internet and drawing fees are charged by the internet provider). For those applying at a license agent, there is a \$1 agent fee in addition to the \$10 non-refundable permit fee.

Persons may apply at any TWRA license agent, TWRA regional office or online at www.tnelkhunt.org. Mailed applications will not be accepted.

The successful applicants will be announced

at the June (18) meeting of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission. Successful applicants will

not be allowed to reapply for an elk quota permit for 10 years following a successful draw.

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