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Tuesday, June 2, 2009

LC man charged with statutory rape

A young Lenoir City man was taken into custody open charges he had sexual relations with a young teen girl while the girl's mother was at work.

John Michael Allen "Mike" Covington, 21, Davis Drive, Lenoir City, was charged with statutory rape.

According to the warrant, on Saturday John Michael Allen Covington had sexual

(see Covington pg. 8)



John Michael Allen Covington

Pills, handgun, & DUI lands man in jail

A local man was jailed after police topped his vehicle for suspicion of DUI and reportedly found pills in his possession along with a loaded handgun.

Michael Shane McNabb, 35, Calloway Circle, Lenoir City was charged with DUI, possession of schedule III narcotics, possession of a handgun while intoxicated and possession of drug

(see McNabb pg. 6)



Michael Shane McNabb

Greenback man busted with 170 grams

Police reported finding 170 grams of marijuana when they executed a search warrant at a Greenback man's residence

Steven Erwin Stokes, 39, Chilhowee Avenue, Greenback was charged with possession of schedule VI Marijuana for resale and possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to reports,

(see Covington pg. 4)



Steven Erwin Stokes

Television stolen

A Greenback couple called police Sunday when it was discovered someone stole their television while they were away from home.

According to records, Mr. & Mrs. Marcus Reagan, North Trigon Road, Greenback reported to

(see Television pg. 7)

Public meetings

The Loudon Regional Planning Commission will meet June 3, 2009 with the Loudon Board of Zoning Appeals meeting immediately following.

Planned RPC agenda items include: Request con-

(see Meetings pg. 8)

Governor's Highway Safety Office Concludes Click It or Ticket Campaign

NASHVILLE - Millions of travelers will hit the highways this summer and the Tennessee Governor's Highway Safety Office is reminding everyone to Click It or Ticket. During 2007, 927 passenger vehicle occupants lost their lives on Tennessee roadways and of

(see Campaign pg. 3)

Verse of the day Thessalonians

Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

Obituaries

Robert Max Duff Jr.

Weather:

Today: Generally sunny. Hot. High 92.

Tonight: Partly cloudy skies. Low 69.

Wednesday: Slight chance of a thunderstorm. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 60s.

Wazzup

Wazzup with all the crazy women walking thier dogs at the Philly Spa lately?

Horoscopes Gemini

(May 21-June 21)

You and your people are all trying to deal with some big issue, but your solution seems to be the right one -- let it go for a while and try to have

fun while things sort themselves out.

Cancer

(Jun 22-Jul 22)

Try to focus on issues around the home today -- your mental energy is

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Campaign

those, 534 were not wearing seat belts. On Friday, the GHSO joined representatives from Georgia and Alabama to remind drivers of the dangers of traveling without a safety belt.

"It is a proven fact that wearing your safety belt greatly reduces your chance of being either killed or severely injured in a car crash," said TDOT Commissioner Gerald Nicely. "It takes just a second to secure your safety belt, but the repercussions of not wearing one can last a lifetime."

Officials with the

Tennessee GHSO joined representatives of border states, state and local law enforcement agencies and highway safety groups in supporting an aggressive national Click It or Ticket seat belt enforcement campaign running from May 2 through May 31. Police are ticketing unbelted vehicle occupants around the clock—night and day.

New numbers released by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration show a larger number of night-time motorists are driving or riding unbelted. Across

the U.S., 14,464 passenger vehicle occupants died in highway crashes during evening and night-time hours (6 p.m. to 5:59 a.m.) in 2007 and 63 percent (8,319) were not wearing a seat belt. By contrast, during daylight hours, 45 percent (5,917) of those killed were not restrained by a seat belt.

"Whether at night or during the day, our goal is to reduce fatalities by boosting Tennessee's overall 81.5 percent safety belt usage rate," said GHSO Director Kendall Poole. "Motor vehicle crashes continue to be the leading

cause of death for every age in the United States. These figures have greater meaning given that nearly all vehicle crashes are preventable."

Friday's event followed an enforcement blitz conducted on the Tennessee/Georgia border Thursday night, May 28. Law enforcement worked to educate motorists about safety belt laws and the benefits of buckling up in hopes of reducing highway fatalities. Tennessee's Hands Across the Border mobilization was launched on May 2nd in East Tennessee.

Poole added that regular seat belt use is the single most effective way to protect people and reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes. He noted that, when worn

correctly, seat belts have been proven to reduce the risk of fatal injury to front-seat passenger car occupants by 45 percent, and by 60 percent in pickup trucks, SUVs and minivans.

Highway safety advocates in the southeast created Hands Across the Border in 1991 to bring about awareness of safety belt and aggressive driving concerns. Participating state and local enforcement agencies sponsor educational community outreach events where motorists learn about the dangers of impaired driving and violating the speed limit as well as the importance of obeying all occupant protection laws.

For more information, please visit www.nhtsa.gov.

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Stokes

the Loudon County Sheriff's Narcotics Unit executed a search warrant at the residence of Steven Erwin Stokes early Thursday and during the search, a plastic bag containing approximately 170 grams of a green leafy substance believed to be Marijuana was located in the bedroom of Mr. Stokes.

In the bathroom off of Steven Stokes' bedroom was a scale used to weigh Marijuana, plastic sandwich bags used to package Marijuana, one pair of Hemostats used to smoke Marijuana and several empty plastic bags that had contained Marijuana were found in the bathroom and bedroom.

Steve Stokes claimed ownership of all items found at his residence.

Investigator AJ Yokely, LCSO made the arrest, along with Sgt. Billy Hall and Deputy Shane Ezell, LCSO.

Police Beat

Jorge Alejandro

Cortes 23, Little Mexico Drive, Sweetwater was charged with driving on suspended license, financial responsibility, light law violation and registration violation.

According to the report, Friday at approximately 10:29 p.m., Deputy Lawson, LCSO was traveling east on Highway 444 towards Lenoir City when he observed a black Ford Thunderbird traveling on Highway 444 toward Highway 72 with its high beams on.

The Thunderbird was allegedly driving approximately 75 ft. behind a vehicle and passed the deputy's cruiser and did not switch the high beams back to low beams.

The vehicle was stopped at Highway 444 and Highway 72. The driver, Jorge Alejandro Cortes reportedly stated he did not have drivers license.

Upon running his name and date of birth, dispatch advised Cortes's driver's license are sus-

pending.

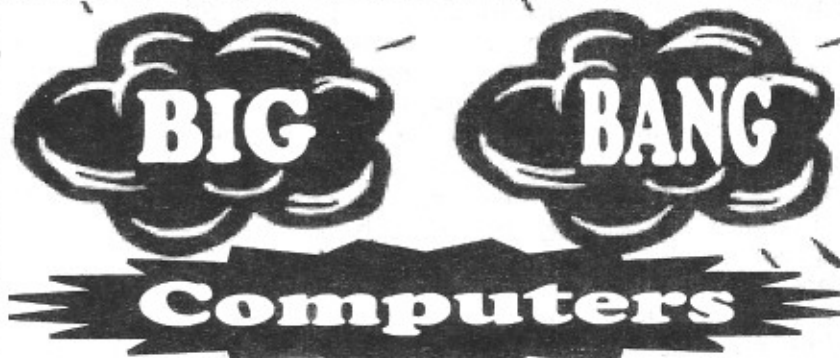
The tag on the vehicle also came back to a different vehicle. Mr. Cortes advised Deputy Lawson he bought the vehicle

approximately one month ago and hasn't registered it with the state yet.

Adrian Maurice Green, 37, Maryland

Avenue, Knoxville, was charged with violation of parole.

Deputy Daniel Ferguson, LCSO made the arrest at the Loudon County Jail.



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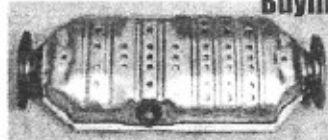
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McNabb

paraphernalia.

According to records, Sgt. Jimmy J. Wiggins, LCSO observed a blue Volkswagen Jetta almost run a stop sign while turning from Muddy Creek Road onto Highway 11 towards Knoxville. The officer followed the vehicle and noticed it crossed the center line and fog line several times. Sgt. Wiggins stopped the vehicle on Highway 11 at the Dixie Lee Shell Station. The driver was identified as Michael Shane McNabb and according to the officer, Mr. McNabb's actions seemed slow

and awkward.

McNabb was asked to exit the vehicle for field sobriety tasks and he was unsteady on his feet. McNabb was given three field sobriety tasks on which he did poorly.

Mr. McNabb allegedly admitted to taking a 10 mg Ambien earlier in the day. He was arrested for DUI.

Upon searching McNabb's vehicle the officer reportedly found a loaded Kahr 9 mm pistol in the driver's door. Also found in the console was a gray pill carrier containing a Suboxone tablet and two half tablets of Suboxone, a peach octagon

tablet, a schedule III narcotic.

Sgt. Wiggins transported Mr. McNabb to Fort Loudoun ER and read the implied consent form to him.

McNabb consented to a blood test.

Upon arrival at the jail, the officer began searching McNabb's wallet and discovered a small grater and

a plastic straw cut to about two inches long, both with a powdery residue, believed to be used to crush and snort narcotics.

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Obituaries

Robert Max Duff Jr.
- age 57, of Lenoir City, passed away Sunday, May 31, 2009. Max was a member of First Baptist Church. He was a graduate of Lenoir City High School. Max was an employee of Tim Reed Siding Company. He was a fun loving man and a Hot-Rod enthusiast. Max was preceded in death by his father, Robert Max Duff Sr.; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Duff, and Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Anthony. He is survived by his mother, Catherine Duff of Lenoir City; brother and

sister-in-law, Charles and Marsha Duff of Karthaus, PA; half brother, Scott Duff of Lenoir City; nephew, Brandon Duff; uncle, Wayne Anthony and wife, Sharon; aunt, Kathryn Ellis all of Lenoir City; and many cousins. Friends may call at their convenience at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City or 305 C Street, Lenoir City. Family and friends will gather at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the Loudon County Memorial Gardens for graveside services with Rev. Jeff Bowden. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is serving the Duff family.

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Television

Deputy Mickey Patterson, LCSO he and his wife, Cassandra, left their residence on Friday at 5:00 p.m. and left the front door unlocked.

Mr. Reagan advised when he returned home the same day he discovered someone had taken their television. Nothing else appeared to be missing.

The television was described as a gray 46" Sony LCD valued at \$2000.

Police Beat

Alejandro Gonzalez 21, Llewellyn Lane, Loudon was charged with DUI 1st offense.

According to records, Officer Benjie Houser, LPD observed a blue Honda traveling west on Highway 72 in front of Green Bank with

the bright lights on and going 31mph in a 45mph zone. The officer turned around and got behind the vehicle on Carding Machine Road.

The vehicle reportedly crossed the center line numerous times.

Officer Houser engaged his emergency equipment but the vehicle continued from Shubert Street to Highland Avenue with emergency flashers on.

After stopping the vehicle in a driveway on Highland Avenue the driver was identified as Alejandro Gonzalez.

Gonzalez was advised why he was stopped and asked for his drivers license. Mr. Gonzalez allegedly had a strong odor of an intoxicant about

his person and stated his cousin had been drinking.

After getting him out of the vehicle Gonzalez reportedly stated he drank two beers about two hours earlier.

Gonzalez performed poorly on the field sobriety tasks he was given. He was read the implied consent and agreed. Gonzalez's blood alcohol content was .15%.

William Marshall Young, Browder Hollow Road, Lenoir City, was taken into custody on two warrants for failure to appear and violation of probation.

Deputy Charles Huskin, LCSO made the arrest at the Loudon County Jail on Thursday, at approximately 6:10 p.m.



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Covington

intercourse with a fifteen year old juvenile female in the living room of her home while her mother was at work.

When the teens mother learned of the event the next day she took her daughter to Fort Loudoun ER where they were met later by Investigator Jason Smith, LCSO CID.

Detective Charles Cosner, LCSO CID made the arrest at the Loudon County Justice Center.

Meetings

sideration of release of letter of credit in the amount of \$10,000 for Roberson Estates Subdivision located on Hwy 72 and Bell Road.

Request consideration of approval of city acceptance of Butterscotch Lane and Caramel Lane located in Roberson Springs subdivision located on Highway 72 and Bell Road.

Planned BZA agenda items include: Request consideration of approval of 17'

front yard setback variance (from 25' to 8') for existing residence and 5' rear yard setback variance (from 5' to 0') for existing accessory structure located at 106 Coulter Street, referenced by Tax Map 41H, Group L, Parcels 8.00 and 12.00, Zoned R-2, High Density Residential District. Owner: Anselmo Zapada & Debbie McDonald

Police Beat

Gary John McCulloch, 42, Pea Ridge Road, Maryville was charged with driving on suspended license.

According to the report, Deputy Shane Ezell, LCSO stopped a black Geo Tracker on Broadway at Time Savers Cleaners for speeding. The driver was identified as Gary John McCulloch.

When the officer asked for his drivers license McCulloch produced a Tennessee ID only.

A check through NCIC showed Mr. McCulloch's license are suspended for traffic violations and failure to pay child support. Deputy Ezell made the arrest.

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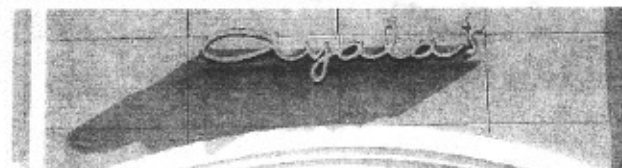
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