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Wednesday, July 22, 2009

with drugs

A Loudon woman was taken into custody after police stopped her vehicle for driving on revoked license and illicit drugs reportedly were found in her possession.

Patricia Lynn Watkins, 37, Hardin Street, Loudon, was charged with simple possession of Marijuana, possession of schedule III and driving on revoked license.

According to records, Tuesday, Deputy Bobby

(see Watkins pg. 3)



Grill sets porch on fire

A local man told police day. had been grilling abut twen-

According to records, ty minutes before his back Mr. Dustin C. Smith, Osale porch caught on fire Thurs- Drive, Loudon stated to

(see Fire pg. 6)

Tennessee Sees Record Child Support Collections

NASHVILLE - The Ten- record of \$530 million. nessee Department of Hu-

"Children depend not only man Services collected on the emotional support more than \$557 million for from their parents, but their children though its child financial support as well," support program over the said DHS Commissioner last state fiscal year, sur- Gina Lodge. "DHS and passing the previous year's our child support partners

(see Support pg. 4)

Ldn man charged wit statutory rape

A Loudon man was jailed following an investigation into allegations he had sexual relations with a juvenile female in another city.

Ricardo Manuel Colon. Atlanta Avenue, Loudon was charged Friday with statutory rape.

According to reports, around 6:24 p.m., Deputy Travis Estes, LCSO was dispatched to the area of Highway 11 for a reckless driver. E 911 advised a citi-

(see Colon pg. 8)



Campers accused of stealing camp

When a group of friends camp site. returned to their campsite Thursday they discovered

According to reports, on Thursday Deputy Deland. someone had stolen almost LCSO was dispatched all of their camping gear, to the area of East Coast They reported finding their Tellico Parkway and Petermissing gear at another son Road and met with the (see Campers pg. 7)

Reckless driver charged

A Lenoir City woman reportedly told police she Ivey Avenue, Lenoir City, had just woken up when she was stopped for driving recklessly then charged with DUI.

Amy Marie Scarlett, 41, was charged Thursday morning with DUI.

The report states at around 8:46 a.m., Patrolman Rick

(see Scarlett pg. 8)

Verse of the day Weather:

ple.

Exodus 22:28

Obituaries

None

revile the gods, then scattered thunnor curse the derstorms developing later in the day. High ruler of thy peo- 79. Chance of rain 40%.

> Tonight: Scattered thunderstorms in the evening. Partly cloudy

skies overnight. Low Thou shalt not Today: Showers early 68. Chance of rain 40%.

> Thursday: Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 60s.

Wazzup

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ing 10¢ each time you should not have to call to get your child bail out the bank! support balance??? It Horoscopes already costs 25¢ each time you swipe your card, and it seems Chase is holding onto payments for awhile before releasing them. Tennessee's children

Cancer

(Jun 22-Jul 22)

Your psychic powers are stronger than ever -- but you still

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

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Musgrove

Hamilton, LCSO noticed Patricia Watkins driving a bronze Chrysler on Loudon Ridge Road, Watkins's license are revoked and the deputy had prior knowledge of that fact.

When the officer stopped the vehicle. Watkins reportedly couldn't provide a license and told him it was revoked. A check of her license revealed it was indeed revoked with two prior driving on revoked charges.

Deputy Hamilton

asked Officer Chris Jenkins, LCSO to check Ms. Watkins vehicle with his K9. The dog had a positive response for drugs in the car.

Upon checking further, the K9 officer did indicate on Watkins's purse. About 3 grams of Marijuana in a plastic baggy and a half of a schedule III Suboxen in a cigarette wrapper was allegedly found in the purse.

Deputy Bobby Hamilton, LCSO made the arrest.

Public Notice

Personnel Committee Meeting

Lenoir City Personnel Committee will meet at City Hall in the small conference room on Thursday, July 23, 2009 at 10:00 A.M. The purpose of the meeting will be to consider full-time employment for a part-time employee in the Police Department.

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Support

across Tennessee are committed to improving the lives of children and ensuring that they receive their court-ordered support."

The majority of child support collections are made through wage withholding, or garnishments to a parents' paycheck. DHS also uses license revocation, federal offset programs and liens to collect child support dollars from parents who aren't paying their support on a regular basis. More than 24,000 tax refunds totaling \$33.25 million were collected in SFY 2009. Nearly \$420,000 in federal stimulus checks were intercepted and sent to children whose parents were not paying their support. DHS last month collected \$155,000 in unpaid child support from an inheritance in Shelby County. After years of non-payment, the two children in this case finally received support they were owed.

The Tennessee Child Support program has partners in all 31 iudicial districts across the state and handles 431,000 cases. More than 67 percent of cases-or 289.000are under a court order. A case must be "under order" before child support can be collected.

Child support services are available to any resident who needs help. A parent who needs to have paternity established. an order established or enforced can apply for assistance at their local child support office.

More than \$59 million in ordered child support is owed to children across the state each month, however only 53.3 percent of the support is actually paid. "DHS wants to work with parents who are having a hard time during this economic downturn," said Lodge. "Parents who have seen their wages decreased or who have lost their job may be entitled to an order modification. We want to make sure that their children receive some support and the parent isn't penalized during these tough times."

Parents should con-

tact their local child support office if they wish to have their orders modified.

For more information on the Tennessee Child Support Program, visit:

http://www.state.

tn.us/humanserv/ child-support.htm

Police Beat

Juan R. Perez, 22, Nightingale Lane. Knoxville, was charged with failure to appear. Mr. Perez was arrested at Highway 321 and Shaw Ferry Road for

an unrelated charge of hit and run.

Mr. Perez was found to have a mittimus from Lenoir City Court, issued June 19th, 2009, for no drivers license.

Lt. David Flynn, LCPD, made the arrest.



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Fire

Deputy Michael Watkins, LCSO, around 7:24 p.m., on Thursday, his next door

neighbor knocked on his door and told him his back porch was on fire.

Mr. Smith said he

had been cooking on his grill about 20 minutes prior on the back porch and it had a leak, caught on fire and burnt the grill and a section of the back

deck.

The total damages were unknown at the time of the report.

Police Beat

Patrick Ryan Smith, 24, Highway 70 East,

Lenoir City, was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Michael Wilson, LCSO took Smith into custody on Saturday.

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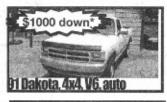
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Campers

complainant to make a theft report. Upon arrival, the deputy spoke with Roger Seymour, Charles Brown, Richard Seymour and James Hammontree.

Roger stated, he was camping at a site on East Coast Tellico Parkway near Bakers Creek Boat Ramp and he left his site on

Tuesday around noon. He and his friends returned to the site on Thursday at 11:00 a.m. and all his camping gear was missing. The only thing left at the site was one of his tents and it was ripped to pieces.

Roger said they searched local area campsites along East Coast Parkway and located their property in a campsite a half mile away from their site near Peterson Road.

Items that were taken were in the bed of a black Chevy pickup around the camp site and inside the truck's cab. There were two bottles of medication on the ground, next to the black truck, that

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were prescribed to Roger Seymour.

There appeared to be nobody at the camp site at the time of the report.

Investigator Jason Smith, LCSO was called out and processed the scene.

The stolen items were identified as four fishing poles, six Coleman Lanterns. one "vandalized" tent, one other tent. one Halloween mask. one propane stove, one charcoal grill, five Coleman propane fuel bottles, two bottles of prescription medications, one cooler with food, one tackle box with tackle and one storage container with clothes. The value of the items was

estimated at \$1285.

The case is under investigation.

Police Beat

James Douglas Jensen, 30, West 2nd Avenue, was charged with driving on suspended license.

According to reports, Friday, around 2:15 p.m., Deputy Chad Petty, LCSO was on patrol and noticed the driver of a tan Chevy Silverado was not wearing his seat belt.

The officer stopped the vehicle on B Street at 2nd Avenue. The driver was identified as James D. Jenson.

A check of Jenson's drivers license came back suspended for failure to pay child support.

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Colon

zen made contact with the vehicle in question at Highway 11 and Carter Street.

The driver was identified as Ricardo M. Colon. Upon a status check of Mr. Colon, it was discovered, Monroe County Sheriff's Department had an active warrant in hand for Colon for statutory rape.

Deputy Travis Estes, LCSO made the arrest.

According to Monroe County's affidavit of complaint, on Monday, May 11, 2009, a minor female admitted to police she had intercourse with an adult man on six occasions. Colon also admitted to the same acts with the girl.

One of the acts reportedly occurred in the city of Sweetwater. Detective Bill Illingworth, Sweetwater Police Department is in charge of the case. **Scarlett**

Eubanks, LCPD witnessed Ms. Scarlett's vehicle traveling north on Old 95 in Lenoir City. She was traveling in the wrong lane of traffic two times.

Officer Eubanks reported he tried to stop her from the Kingston Pike Church to the Little M Market. Scarlett almost hit two other vehicles head on.

After getting her stopped, Scarlett was allegedly unable to perform field sobriety tasks. She stated she just woke up from sleep.

Ms. Scarlett was transported to Fort Loudoun ER for a urine test, then on to jail.

Police Beat

Jarad Lane Lewis, 19, Bon Street, Lenoir City, was charged with theft under \$500. According to the report, on or about July 14, 2009, Jarad Lane Lewi went to the Pilot, 700 East Broadway in Lenoir City. Mr. Lewis reportedly used a woman's credit card

and got \$200 in cash out of the ATM.

This was done without permission or knowledge of the owner.

Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD, made the arrest Monday.

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