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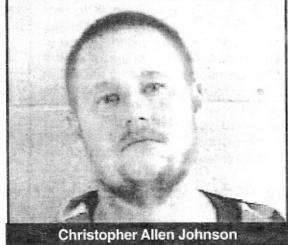
liness closes schools The Loudon County School System has announced North Middle and Greenback Schools will be closed for the remainder of the week starting Wednesday September 16, 2009, due to illness. Classes will resume on Monday September 21, 2009.

Alleged purse snatcher charged with robbery

A Lenoir City man was jailed Monday following an investigation into the snatching of a woman's purse off her vehicle last week.

Christopher Allen Johnson, 29, Myers Road, Lenoir City was charged Monday with robbery.

According to the affidavit, on Wednesday, September 9, 2009, Foster Road woman was getting items from her vehicle at her residence and had placed her purse on top of her vehicle while getting the items. (see Johnson pg. 3)



LCPD charges Sweetwater man

with burglary

Lenoir City police charged a Sweetwater man Thursday with the early August 2009, burglary of a Rushbrook Lane residence.

Markem Dewayne Brown, 22, Cedar Valley Road, Sweetwater was charged with aggravated burglary and theft over \$500.

According to the affidavit, on or about August 6, 2009, Mark Brown did enter a home on Rushbrook Lane in Lenoir City. The entry occurred sometime between 10:45 p.m. on August 6, and

Markem Dewayne Brown

(see Brown pg. 6)

5th DUI, 4th DORL for Knox man



(see Ogle pg. 4)

August Revenues

NASHVILLE - State tax collections again fell below budgeted estimates in August, with sales tax collections recording nega-

(see Revenues pg. 7)

Labor Day Weekend Boating Related Fatalities

NASHVILLE --- The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) reports that there were two boat-

(see Fatalities pg. 3)

more flexible today -

Verse of the day refuge for us. Selah.

In God is my salva- Psalm 62:7-8 tion and my glory: the Obituaries rock of my strength, John R. Fleishman and my refuge, is in Weather: before him: God is a 50%.

God. Trust in him at Today: Cloudy with all times; ye people, showers. High around pour out your heart 75. Chance of rain

Tonight: Considerable cloudiness with occasional rain showers. Low 69. Chance of rain 60%.

Thursday: Overcast with rain showers at times. Humid. High near 75. Chance of rain 50%.

Wazzup

The North Panthers - people are counting game on Thursday on you! It's a good night has been can- time for you to step celled due to illness.

Horoscopes Virgo

(Aug 24-Sep 23) You've got to be

up and make sure that they're all able to tell you exactly what they need so you can

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Johnson

Christopher Allen Johnson arrived at the residence in a vehicle and approached the woman. Mr. Johnson asked her a question and then grabbed the purse from the top of

Mr. Johnson ran back to the vehicle and the woman's daughter ran to the vehicle and attempted to get the purse.

Mr. Johnson grabbed her hand and pushed her down, then left with the purse.

The purse contained \$200 in cash along with medication, a checkbook and personal identification. The victim's daughter knew Mr. Johnson and was able to identify him.

Investigator Jason R. Smith, LCSO, is in charge of the case.

Sgt. Jeff Russell, made the arrest at McGhee Square Apartments.

Police Beat

Jonathan Lee Washburn, 33, Snodderly Drive, Lenoir City was charged with driving on suspended

According to records, Deputy Jerramie Bowen, LCSO pulled into the Pilot Gas Station on Broadway where he spotted a small white car in the parking lot that matched the description of a vehicle from a previous call.

The officer ran the tag and it came back to a Ford. It was displayed on a Honda Accord.

Deputy Bowen made a traffic stop on the Honda and made contact with the driver, later identified as Jonathan L. Washburn.

Washburn had the right registration for the vehicle, but when the officer ran his drivers license, it came back suspended for failure to satisfy cita-

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tions out of Blount County.

Clayton Ray Bowman, 28, Coulter Street, Loudon, was taken into custody on a theft warrant from Knox County. Officer Brad Parks, LPD made the arrest.

Fatalities

ing-related fatalities over the Labor Day holiday weekend. The fatal accidents both came on Saturday in separate incidents on Watts Barr Lake and Normandy Lake.

There were nine total boat accidents reported. TWRA boating officers made six boating under the influence (BUI) arrests over the weekend. The holiday period began Friday evening (Sept. 4) and continued through Monday (Sept. 7).

Through Labor Day weekend, the statewide totals for 2009 now stand at 149 BUI arrests, 130 accidents and 15 fatalities.

Over the Labor Day holiday weekend in 2008, there were 13 accidents with no fatalities and 10 BUI arrests.

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John R. Fleishman, age 74, of the Tellico Village Community, Loudon, passed away August 21, 2009. John was a 1959 graduate of Michigan Tech. University. He was a member of Tellico Village Community Church and was a retired Registered Professional Engineer spending his entire career with the Michigan Department of Transportation. John was active with the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla #1202, a charter member of the Tellico Cruising Club, a member of the Train Collectors Association, and the Tellico Village Roadrunners RV Club. He had a love of boating. music, cars, going to flea markets, collecting, and most of all helping those in need. John was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Ellie Fleishman of Cheboygan, MI. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Alyce (Gallmore) Fleishman; "special niece", Alyce M. Griffioen (Larry) of Portage, MI; sister, Linda Weaver of Michigan along with other nieces and a nephew. A celebration of John's life will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, September 20, at Tellico Village Community Church with Rev. Martin Singley officiating. A reception will follow the service at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Tellico Vil-

lage Community Church Objituaries of the ALS Clinic at U.T. Medical Center, Click Funeral Home is serving the Fleishman family.

Ogle

A Knoxville man received his fifth DUI charge and his fourth driving on revoked charge after LPD responded to a possible drunk driver call and found his weaving on Steekee Road Satur-

Jimmy Curtis Ogle, 47, Maynard Avenue, Knoxville was charged with DUI 5th offense, driving on revoked license 4th offense and violation of implied consent.

The report states on Saturday Officer Brendan DeBoer, LPD received a call of a possible drunk driver traveling down Steekee Street towards Highway 72 in Loudon. The officer got behind the vehicle and observed it cross over the center line numerous times. failing to maintain a lane. He conducted a traffic stop and identified the driver as Jimmy Ogle.

According to the officer's report, Mr. Ogle had slurred speech, a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage about his person and an open container of beer in the front seat.

Mr. Ogle reportedly advised the officer his license are suspended in the state of Tennessee for DUI. He was asked to exit the vehicle

and perform a series of field sobriety tasks and he performed poorly on them.

Mr. Ogle was transported to the Loudon County Jail where he refused to give consent to a BAC test.

A check of Mr. Ogle's driving record showed him to have 4 prior DUI offenses as well as 3 prior driving on revoked license offenses.

Officer April Farmer. LPD was also on scene.

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Trespass

2:00 p.m. on August

Mark Brown did remove from the home a Winchester 270 rifle with case valued at \$600 and a Polaroid DVD player valued at \$125.

Mark Brown did commit the offense

with the intent to deprive the owners, and without the owner's effective consent.

Detective Jack Fine, LCPD, is in charge of the case and made the arrest.

Police Beat

Kimberley Ann Bush, 31, of North Point Road, Sweetwater, was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy Dustin Langley, LCSO made the arrest.

Rebecca Ruth Fielden, 32, of Pleasant Ridge Road, Knoxville, was charged with violation of probation.

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Revenues

tive growth for 18 of the last 20 months. Finance and Administration Commissioner Dave Goetz reported that overall August revenues were \$726.9 million, which is 5.74% below collections for

August 2008.

"The continued negative trend in tax collections requires us to continue to closely monitor revenues and adjust expenditures accordingly," Goetz said. "August sales tax figures reflect July consumer spending,

and represent the first month of collections for the new fiscal

"We need to make sure we make adjustments to accommodate for the next several months so we keep the state's budget in a balanced posture."

On an accrual basis. August is the first month in the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

August collections were \$28.2 million less than the budgeted estimate. The general fund was under collected by \$30.5 million and the four other funds were over collected by \$2.3 million.

Sales tax collections were \$24.6 million less than the estimate for August. The August growth rate was negative 8.21%.

Franchise and excise taxes combined were \$279,000 above the budgeted estimate of \$20.6 million.

Gasoline and motor fuel collections

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increased by 9.13% and were \$5.2 million above the budgeted estimate of \$68.2 mil-

Tobacco tax collections for the month were under collected by \$289,000.

Privilege tax collections were \$1.4 million less than the budgeted estimate of \$17.6 mil-

Inheritance tax collections were \$3.0 million below the budgeted estimate.

All other taxes were under collected by a net of \$4.4 million.

The budgeted revenue estimates for 2009-2010 are based

on the State Funding Board's consensus recommendation adopted by the first session of the 106th General Assembly in May of 2009.

Police Beat

Nathanael Flores, 25, Morrell Road, No City Listed, was charged with driving on suspended.

The report states Officer Allen Bean, LCPD made a traffic stop on a blue Mazda for speeding on Harrison Road where the driver was identified as Nathanael Flores.

A check through T.I.E.S. and NCIC showed Mr. Flores was driving on a suspended license.

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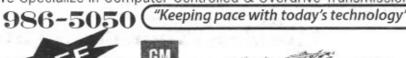
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