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# Couple's plot to steal gas foiled by LPD

A Madisonville couple's alleged scheme to steal gas failed Friday after LPD Officer Bennie Houser saw their vehicle parked behind the Shell Mart and stopped to check on it. The woman reportedly lied when approached by the officer, and the man is alleged to have fled the scene when he noticed the lawman talking to his partner.

Steven David Schumann, 28, Greenwood Circle, Madisonville, was charged with resisting stop, halt and frisk, theft under \$500 and criminal impersonation.

Laccie Rennae Gardner, 21 (see Folied pg. 3)



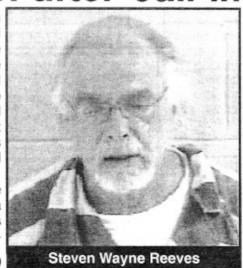


# 3rd DUI after call-in Rollover wreck ends in arrest

A Knoxville man received his third driving under the influence charge after he was called in as a possible drunk driver and when police caught up with he was found to, indeed be DUI.

Steven Wayne Reeves, 57, Kesha Way, Knoxville was charged with driv-

(see Reeves pg. 4)



Police arrested a Lenoir vehicle accident and finding responding to a roll-over the influence of alcohol.

City man Saturday after he had been driving under

(see Lyles pg. 7)

#### Special Leave for State Employees Called to Active Duty Continued (see Order pg. 8)

NASHVILLE - Governor a policy that ensures ex-

Phil Bredesen signed Exec- ecutive branch employees utive Order #60, continuing ordered to active military

# Special Season Anterless Deer And Fall Turkey Permits Remain Available

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NASHVILLE --- Thou- key permits remain avail-(see Permits pg. 6)

# Verse of the day Obituaries

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his cross, and Today: Intervals of come after me, clouds and sunshine.
High 82. Winds light

Tonight: A few clouds. Low 62.

Thursday: Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the low 60s.

# Wazzup

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# Horoscopes Virgo

(Aug 24-Sep 23)

It's a really fun day - for you and for those around you! You feel your life, and should be able to have a good time with them, even if you're all working hard at the same time.

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

#### Folied

Greenwood Circle, Madisonville, was charged with driving without a license, theft under \$500, possession of drug paraphernalia and false reports.

According to records, Friday, at approximately 12:09 a.m., Officer Bennie Houser, LPD observed a white Oldsmobile Cutlass sitting behind the Valley Mart with the tag covered with a sock. The driver, Laccie R. Gardner stated she was wait-

ing on her boyfriend, Adam J. Schumann, who was in the Valley Mart.

Officer Houser asked Gardner to see her license and she said her boyfriend had her license inside the store. Ms. Gardner's license had been expired since May. She also had pumped \$17 worth of gas and pulled behind the Valley Mart without paying.

Gardner stated her boyfriend was going to pay for the gas with her credit card. which was never located. Ms. Gardner knowingly withheld information about Mr. Schumann with the intent to obstruct the officer's investiga-

After placing Ms. Gardner under arrest, Officer Houser reportedly found a marijuana pipe in her makeup bag.

Mr. Schumann evidently saw the lawman talking to his girlfriend and took off running, out of the store into the woods. He was told to stop but continued to run.

Officer Houser and Officer Jon Yates, LPD had to physically take him into custody.

Schumann stated his name was Adam John Schumann and his birthday was October 13, 1987. After running Schumann's name and date of birth through the E 911 Center, there was no record of the name

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When asked for his social security number, Schumann said he did not know it. Schumann also did not have any form of ID.

Ms. Gardner didn't know Schumann's middle name and gave the wrong birthday, even though he was supposed to be her fiance.

Schumann finally gave his correct name and date of birth. He had warrants in Michigan and advised that's why he ran. The clerk at the Valley Mart stated Mr. Schumann kept his attention so the female could move the vehicle. Schumann reportedly admitted they intended to steal the gas.

Officer Houser made the arrests along with Officer Yates and Sgt. R.S. Newman, LPD.

## Police Beat

David Cortes Medina, 33 of Ivy Avenue, Lenoir City was charged with DUI 1st and violation of the implied consent law.

According to the report, Officer Mike Hodges, LCPD responded to Oakwood Drive to investigate an accident. Upon arrival the officer observed several witnesses to the wreck running down the street chasing after the suspect, David Cortes Medina.

According to witnesses and evidence
at the scene, Medina
was driving a red vehicle on West Hills
Drive and attempted
to turn and ran off
the road striking a
culvert. Medina then
drove approximately
300 feet and parked
his car on Oakwood
Drive and left the
scene.

When the officer observed Medina he had bloodshot eyes and staggered when he walked.

Medina had the keys to the vehicle in his pocket and refused a BAC test. Officer Mike Hodges, LCPD made the arrest.

Jonah Cole Strickland, 21, of County Farm Road, Madisonville, was charged with failure to appear 2nd. Deputy B. Wilson, LCSO made the arrest.

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#### Reeves

ing on suspended license 2nd offense and driving under the influence 3rd offense.

According to records, on Thursday Deputy Craig Brewer. LCSO responded to Highway 70 to a report of a possible drunk driver. Upon arrival the officer found a red Dodge Stratus that matched the description of the vehicle called in on. The vehicle turned onto Paw Paw Plains Road and then, in the middle of the road, the driver put the vehicle in reverse and backed into a ditch.

The driver was identified as Steven W. Reeves.

Reeves had slurred speech, bloodshot eyes, had problems finding his identification and was unable to keep his balance. According to Deputy Brewer's report, Mr. Reeves was asked to do field sobriety tasks, but he would not listen to directions or refused to do the task.

Reeves was read the implied consent law and refused. A check of Reeves's license through NCIC showed his license to be suspended with a prior driving on suspended license on July 26, 2004.

Mr. Reeves also had prior convictions for driving under the influence on July 26, 2004 and August 9, 2000.

Deputy Brewer made the arrest along with Deputy Brian Smith, LCSO.

#### Police Beat

Crystal Gayle Brown, 29, Eureka Road, Cleveland, Tennessee, was charged with violation of probation. Deputy Dustin Langley, LCSO made the arrest on Friday.

Robert Lee Rogers, was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Olwin Norman, LCSO made the arrest Friday.

Karen Marie Davidson, 18, of Jim Dyke Road, Loudon, was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy Brandon Wilson, LCSO made

the arrest.

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The Agency experienced some problems with the allocation system on the first day that permits went on sale, Aug. 19, 2009, especially in some counties in East Tennessee. "We experienced difficulties with the new firstcome-first-served system that was developed for allocating special season tags," said Sonya Northrup, Quota Hunts Supervisor for TWRA, "The system is working well now, but we are trying to make it right with the folks who were inconvenienced on Aug. 19."

Anyone who visited a license agent the first morning permits became available (Aug.19) and were denied access to permits for whatever reason are encouraged to call the quota hunts division at (615) 781-6621. All

efforts will be made to rectify any problems the hunters may have encountered while obtaining their permits.

:Whether the problem is the wrong permit being issued or long lines resulting in filled quotas, we are going to try to get those hunters their desired permits," said Greg Wathen, TWRA Chief of Wildlife.

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# Lyles

Donald William Lyles. 34, James Drive, Lenoir City, was charged Saturday, with driving under the influence.

The report states around 2:00 a.m. Deputy Charles Butler. LCSO was dispatched to the area of Highway 11 at Old Midway Road in reference to a possible vehicle crash. Upon arrival, the officer observed a silver Ford Explorer in the gravel lot of Kennedy's Shop.

The vehicle was surrounded by broken

glass and auto parts. It appeared to have rolled over several times.

When Deputy Butler approached he encountered Donald W. Lyles walking around the Explorer, Lyles advised he was the driver.

Lyles was reportedly unsteady on his feet, had very slurred speech, red glassy eyes and a strong odor of alcohol about his breath and person.

The officer asked if he had been drinking and Lyles stated ves. several beers.

Deputy Butler asked Mr. Lyles if he was injured in any way and he stated no and refused medical treatment. He performed poorly on all field sobriety tasks and was placed under

Lyles was read and explained Tennessee implied consent and was asked to submit a breath test, but refused to do so

Police Beat

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ington, 44, Summer Street, Loudon was charged with driving on suspended license.

The report states, on Tuesday, around 10:00 a.m., Officer Brian Jenkins, LPD was notified by Detective Mike Newman, LPD that Robert Covington was driving a burgundy Ford Mustang, south through the 900 block of Vale Street. Officer Jenkins had prior knowledge Covington had a suspended drivers license and Detective Newman was attempting to investigate a situation where Covington had fled from him on foot a few days prior.

The lawmen stopped the vehicle Covington was driving at Keene and Vale Street. It was confirmed through NCIC, his license are indeed suspended.

Horacio Garcia, 22, B Street, Lenoir City, was charged with driving on suspended license 1st offense.

According to records. at about 7:41pm, Patrolman Jason Felts. LCPD observed a gray Chevy Blazer on Highway 11 with a missing front turn signal.

After stopping the vehicle, the officer found the driver, Mr. Horacio Garcia was in physical control of a motor vehicle on a public roadway without a drivers license.

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#### Order

duty are not financially constrained by lower military pay while they are in service. Governor Bredesen has issued this order every year since taking office.

Executive Order #60 extends for another year the special leave with partial pay granted to executive branch employees who are Tennessee National Guard and Reserve members serving in operations undertaken in response to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 and other operations. including Enduring Freedom, Joint Endeavor, Noble Eagle and Iraqi Freedom.

"I have always been extremely proud of the service these men and women provide

for our country," said Bredesen. "They and their families make tremendous sacrifices for us every day, and we must do everything in our power to ease their burden. This is a policy I have felt strongly about since my first year in office, and I'm pleased to show our appreciation to our soldiers in this way."

For executive branch employees called to active duty. the state of Tennessee pays the difference between their regular state salary and their respective Guard or Reserve pay. In addition, employees continue to accrue sick leave, annual leave, longevity pay and service towards retirement. The state has maximum allowable accruals on leave, but time accrued above the maximum is counted as time served toward the employee's retirement date.

# Police Beat

Angela Jean McK-

ee, 35, County Road 323, Sweetwater, was charged with violation of probation.

Patrolman Jason Felts, LCPD made the arrest Friday.

Ashlie Gail Grauel,

23, McClung Road, Knoxville, was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Lonnie Gaut, LCSO made the arrest on Friday at the Loudon County Justice Center.

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