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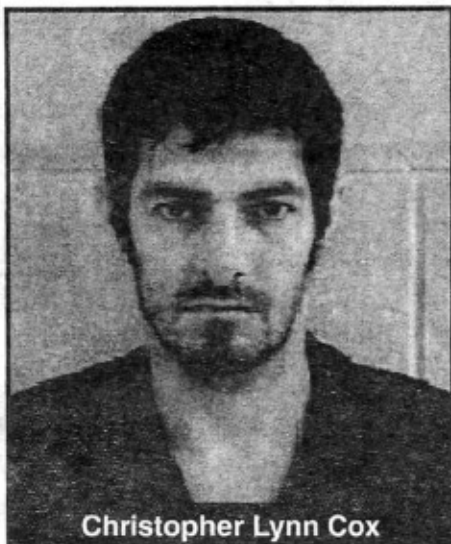
Monday/Tuesday, September 7/8, 2009

Update: 2nd person charged in theft of jewelry from condo

Loudon County Sheriff's Investigators have now charged a Knoxville man with the theft of a local couple's jewelry after he and another person were contracted to clean a condo in late July.

Christopher Lynn Cox, 34, Red Wine Street, Knoxville, was charged with theft over \$10,000.

(see Cox pg. 3)



Christopher Lynn Cox

Can't be cussing in the court room

A Lenoir City man received a disorderly charge when he reportedly began cussing in the court room when he learned a warrant had been issued for his arrest.

(see Winckler pg. 8)

Ya can't hide

A Lenoir City man was jailed after police attempted to stop his four-wheeler while he was driving on the road and he ran and hid. He was later picked up after he returned home and his fam-

(see Smith pg. 3)

Lenoir City, Madisonville among those to receive Recovery Act funding

NASHVILLE - Governor Phil Bredesen and Department of Environment and Conservation Commissioner Jim Fyke announced that nine communities and two utility districts have been approved to receive

(see Funding pg. 7)

Panthers win in defensive showdown



With just under two minutes left the North Panthers scored in a defensive showdown this past Thursday night. The Panthers won the game 13-0 and are undefeated in their quest for the state title.

TDOT's StopLitter™ Campaign Earns National Award

NASHVILLE - The Tennessee Department of Transportation is proud to announce that the "StopLitter™ - Tennessee's Had Enough" litter prevention campaign has earned a

2009 Exemplary Human Environment Initiative Award from the U.S. Department of Transportation. The award recognizes outstanding examples of transportation projects that either create

(see Award pg. 6)

Drug activity call lands man in jail

Joshua Lynn Ferguson 26, of Thompson Circle, Loudon, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. According to the warrant, filed by Officer Brendan DeBoer LPD; the officer made contact with Ferguson on Main St. Just prior the officer received information Ferguson was at the location on Main St currently involved in narcotics activity. The officer was met by the owner of

the residence who gave permission to search for anything Ferguson may have left. Ferguson was in a bathroom of the residence where a glass pipe was recovered used to smoke crack cocaine. Ferguson gave a statement he used the pipe to smoke approximately \$100 in crack cocaine. Ferguson was released shortly thereafter and later charged.

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Every man also to whom God hath given riches and wealth,

and hath given him power to eat thereof, and to take his portion, and to rejoice in

Obituaries

Sharon Uselton Rowell

Weather:

Today: A few thunderstorms possible. Highs in the upper 70s.

Tonight: Lows in the mid 60s.

Tuesday: Scattered thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the mid 60s.

Wazzup

In observance of Labor Day the Daily

Edition is publishing a special Monday/Tuesday edition. Everyone have a safe and fun holiday!

Horoscopes

Virgo (Aug 24-Sep 23)

Everyone's got

something to say today, and while you might not agree with everything they say, you should at least try to respect their right to say it. That can go a long way

(see Horoscopes pg. 2)

Cox

According to the affidavit, on July 25, 2009, a man and woman purchased jewelry from two subjects they knew as Christopher Cox and Ashley Robinson. The jewelry consisted of a fourteen carat yellow gold tennis bracelet, .85 carat solitaire ring, yellow gold coin ring and fourteen carat ring with 8 two point diamonds and 7 ten point diamonds.

Some of the items were pawned at West Side Pawn for \$1000

by the man who purchased them.

During the investigation, it was learned Christopher Cox and Ashley Robinson had been hired to clean a condo located on Meadow Walk Lane in Lenoir City on July 22, 2009. The owner, Mr. Greg West hired a contractor to clean the condo, who then hired Mr. Cox and Ms. Robinson.

Mr. West discovered someone had taken jewelry belonging to him and his wife, Amy West, from

the condo.

Mr. West spoke to the couple who bought and pawned some of the jewelry they stated they had purchased the jewelry and showed a Tag Heuer watch and ring to Mr. West that had not been pawned. Mr. West identified the jewelry as having come from the condo.

Robinson also was charged with theft over \$10,000.

Deputy Brandon Wilson, LCSO made the arrest at the Knox County Jail Wednesday.

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

Smith

ily called him in.

Josef Keith Smith, 23, Jan Way, Lenoir City, was charged Sunday, with resisting stop, halt and frisk, no helmet law and driving a 4-wheeler on street.

The report states, while on routine patrol, Patrolman Darrell Butler, LCPD observed Josef Smith operating a 4-wheeler ATV on West Hills Drive at Oakland Av-

enue. Also, Josef was not wearing a helmet.

When the officer activated his blue lights and turned around, Josef took off and went into the woods behind the Mulch Mart in an attempt to resist being stopped.

Officer Butler attempted to locate Smith and finally made contact with his mother. When Josef came home, they called and the lawman went to his residence and placed him under arrest.

Police Beat

Armando Lemus Saldana, 46, of Angel Row, Loudon was charged with public intoxication.

According to the report, Saldana was observed urinating in the Food City parking lot in Loudon and was unsteady on his feet with a strong odor of an intoxicating beverage on his person.

Officer Jonathan Yates, LPD made the arrest.

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Obituaries

Sharon Uselton Rowell, age 64, of Lenoir City, passed away Wednesday afternoon, September 2, 2009, at her home. Sharon was a member of Central United Methodist Church. Most of all, she was a devoted homemaker, loving wife, mother, grandmother and sister. She was preceded in death by her parents, Russell and Phyllis Rice Uselton, and her grandmother who help raise her, Bertha Jessie Rice. Sharon is survived by her husband, Gregory Todd Rowell; son, Gregory Todd Rowell II (Valerie) and her daughter, Monica Nichole Rawlins (James); grandchildren, Wesley and Alexandria Rawlins, Gavin Todd Rowell; sisters:

Billie (Gary) Abbott, Mary (Guy) Able and Carolyn (Philip) Ramp along with several nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday at Central United Methodist Church, 301 Hickory Creek Road, Lenoir City with Rev. Ron Fisher and Rev. Gary Abbott officiating. Interment will follow in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 154, Loudon, TN 37774. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is serving the Rowell family.

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Police Beat

Margaret Ann Aguilar, 47 of Crooked Oak Drive, Lenoir City, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia.

According to the report, Sgt. Billy Hall,

LCSO ND stopped a vehicle on Muddy Creek Road for suspicion of DUI. While talking with the female she produced a silver pipe used to smoke cocaine base.

Sgt. Billy Hall, LCSO ND made the arrest.

Daniel Paul Langley 40, of Jackson Bend Road, Lenoir City, was charged with a capias out of criminal court.

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"The StopLitterTM message reflects Tennesseans' frustration with litter in our communities, and it has been extremely effective," said TDOT Commissioner Gerald Nicely. "This award recognizes the hard work of numerous employees who helped make this campaign a success."

The StopLitterTM campaign, which was launched by First Lady Andrea Conte in 2006, was the first new, comprehensive litter prevention initiative since the 1970's

Tennessee Trash Campaign. The EHEI award recognizes TDOT in the Education and Training Programs category for developing an innovative, multi-faceted campaign to reduce roadside litter.

"Education is one of the strongest weapons in battling litter," said TDOT Beautification Coordinator Shawn Bible. "This campaign has heightened awareness of the problem across the state and the negative impact litter has on our environment."

TDOT estimates it will spend \$6 million for litter removal by its maintenance forces and paid contractors.

An additional \$5 million in annual funds, collected through a tax on the soft drink and malt beverage industry, is used across the state to assist local communities

with litter collection and litter prevention education. In addition, 3,850 volunteers donate their time to picking up litter from approximately 770 miles of state-owned

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For more information on the StopLitterTM program, please visit <http://www.stoplitter.org/>.

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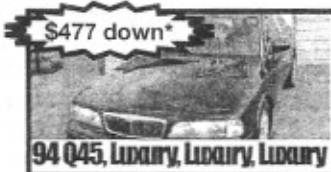
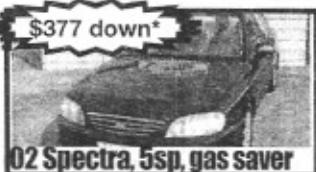
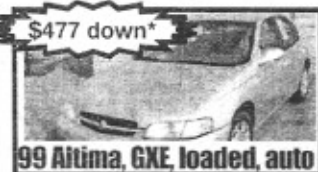
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Funding

low-interest loans for water and wastewater infrastructure improvements. The funding comes from a combination of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and the State Revolving Fund Loan Program. Forty percent of the funding is

in the form of principal forgiveness, which does not have to be repaid.

This is the second round of Recovery Act grants and loans to be approved under the State Revolving Fund program.

"The Recovery Act is helping critical drinking water and wastewater infrastructure

improvements in Tennessee move forward, which benefits both public health and the environment," said Bredesen. "The principal forgiveness provision of the Recovery Act is an important aspect of the program, allowing us to provide additional relief to local communities during difficult economic times."

The low-interest loans and principal forgiveness are used to finance the planning, design and construction of water and wastewater facilities. Through this program, communities, utility districts and water and wastewater authorities can obtain loans with lower interest rates than most can obtain through private financing. Interest rates for the loans can vary from zero percent to market rate based on each community's economic index.

"I am always pleased to see local governments and utility districts access this program to help finance the planning, design and construction of water and wastewater facilities," said Fyke. "Investments in our drinking water and wastewater systems are vital to the health of our communities, and we look forward to

working with communities to move forward with these important projects."

For the calendar year 2009, EPA provided almost \$77 million in Recovery Act funding for the State Revolving Fund Loan Program and the state was not required to provide matching funds. In order to extend Recovery Act funding to a larger group of projects, Tennessee combined it with an equal amount of funding from the existing State Revolving Fund, which by law, cannot be used for another purpose.

The funding order of projects is determined by the SRF Loan Program's Priority Ranking Lists that rank potential projects according to the severity of their pollution and/or compliance problems or for the protection of public health. Environment and Conservation administers the Recovery Act/State Revolving Fund Loan Program in conjunction with the Tennessee Local Development Authority.

Wastewater loans were announced for the seven recipients, which included:

City of Lenoir City (Loudon County) - Lenoir City will receive \$4.5 million for wastewater treatment plant improvements and upgrades. The project includes digester rehabilitation to capture methane gas and convert it to energy for use in running the plant's boiler/heat exchanger, trickling filter rehabilitation and miscellaneous upgrades. The project will be funded with a 20-year, \$2.7 million loan with an interest rate of 2.88 percent and \$1.8 million in principal forgiveness that will not have to be repaid.

City of Madisonville (Monroe County) - Madisonville will receive \$5.83 million to convert the existing 900,000 gallon-per-

day wastewater treatment plant to a 1.5 million gallon-per-day equalization basin and pump station, construct approximately 8.3 miles of force main to transport screened wastewater to the Tellico Reservoir Development Agency's wastewater treatment plant, and eliminate Madisonville's wastewater treatment plant discharge to Bat Creek. The project will be funded with a 20-year, \$3.5 million loan with an interest rate of 2.14 percent and \$2.33 million in principal forgiveness that will not have to be repaid.

This is the second round of Recovery Act grants/loans to be approved under the State Revolving Fund Program. The previously announced projects can be found at <http://news.tennesseeanytime.org/node/2342>. Additional Recovery Act/State Revolving Fund loans including principal forgiveness will be announced as they are finalized.

Since its inception in 1987, Tennessee's Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan Program has awarded more than \$1 billion in low-interest loans. Since its inception in 1996, Tennessee's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan Program has awarded more than \$137 million in low-interest loans. Both programs combined award approximately \$75 million annually to Tennessee's local governments for water and wastewater infrastructure projects.

Any local government interested in the SRF Loan Program should contact the State Revolving Fund Loan Program, L&C Tower, 8th Floor, 401 Church Street, Nashville, TN 37243, or call (615) 532-0445. Information about the SRF Loan Program may be found online at www.tn.gov/environment/srf.

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Winckler

James Arthur Winckler, 66, Woodland Drive, Loudon, was charged with charged with theft under \$500 and disorderly conduct.

According to the report, Mr. Winckler was in City Court of Lenoir City, on Thursday. While there, Winckler got very angry because he was being sent to jail on a theft warrant. We

he learned he was being charged with theft under \$500, he started cursing in the court room while court was in session. This disrupted the court room.

Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD, made the arrest at City Court at 3:30 p.m..

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