

# Daily Edition

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Wednesday, November 7, 2012

## LC man charged after selling stolen motor home

Detective Jack Fine charged a local man with theft in connection with allegations he scrapped a stolen motor home at an area recycling center and got over \$500 for it.

According to a warrant filed by Detective Jack Fine, LCPD; on October 10, 2012 Dustin Shirk took a 1988 motor home to a recycler. Shirk sold the motor home with the

(see Shirk pg. 3)



Shirk

## LPD traffic stop leads to drug charge

Officer Jeremy Dishner, LCPD stopped a maroon Nissan Maxima for speeding. The driver was identified as Mario Foley.

According to the report, after placing him under arrest for having a hand-rolled cigar containing a green leafy substance believed to be marijuana, the officer determined Foley had lied about his identity and was in fact Travis Foley, who was wanted in Anderson County for a

(see Foley pg. 6)



Foley

## Shoplifter nabbed

A young Lenoir City man found himself in the hoosegow after he allegedly stole over \$60 worth of merchandise from Walmart.

Samuel Douglas Branum, 18, of Finley Drive, Lenoir City was charged with theft un-

(see Branum pg. 5)



Branum

## Fighting on the way home from school results in arrest of driver

(see Jackson pg. 2)

In an age when so many young drivers are losing their lives on the roadways, one young Lenoir City woman allegedly endangered the occupants of her vehicle as well as others on the road when she

## Smelling of booze, carrying weed, woman goes to jail after wreck

(see Nowakowski pg. 3)

A Gatlinburg woman wreck on the interstate and was taken to jail after and found she reported THP responded to a edly was under the influence of alcohol and had marijuana in her possession.

## Tennessee State Parks Offer Special Discounts to Veterans

(see Discount pg. 7)

NASHVILLE – Tennessee State Parks announced its annual free state parks day for all Tennessee veterans on Monday, Nov. 12, offering one free night of camping and complimentary greens fees for

## Bad tags, bad driving; busted

Todd Lee Stevenson, 34, of Elmont Drive, Columbia, South Caro-

lina was charged with driving on suspended.

(see Busted pg. 4)

## Verse of the Day

By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

-- Hebrews 11:3

## Obituaries

James Ray "Butch" Jirtles Wazzup

If you're a veteran and like camping and golf, Veterans Day is also Free State Park Day for all Tennessee veterans. So mark your calendars for this coming Monday, grab your golf

clubs and camping gear, and make plans to enjoy the beauty of the great outdoors. (Just don't forget your cold weather gear!)

## Weather

Today: Cloudy. A chance of rain in the morning and early afternoon. Highs in the lower 50s. Northwest

winds 10 mph or less. Chance of rain 40%.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s. Light winds.

Thursday: Sunny. Highs in the mid 50s. Clear overnight. Lows in the mid 30s. Northwest winds 10 mph or less.

## Horoscopes

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

Your ego needs a stroke or two today -- but try not to overdo it! It's all too easy to slide into megalomania, especially when you re-

(Continued on page 6)

Shirk  
intent to defraud.

Shirk received  
\$525.60 from the recycling center and he was not the rightful owner

of the recycled property.

Dustin Shirk, 35, of Shaw Ferry Road, Lenoir City was charged with theft over \$500.

Deputy Carroll, LCSO made the arrest.

Nowakowski  
Gayle J. Nowakowski, 47, of Jay Bird Drive, Gatlinburg was

charged with DUI 1st, simple possession of marijuana, due care and proof of insurance.

According to the report, Trooper Kevin Stroup, THP was dispatched to a crash on I-40 and upon arrival made contact with Ms. Nowakowski. She had a strong smell of an alcoholic beverage on her person and performed poorly on sobriety tasks.

Ms. Nowakowski asked to take her purse to the jail with her. Upon removing her purse from her vehicle, the trooper noticed a small amount of marijuana inside it.

Ms. Nowakowski was read the implied consent advisement and agreed to a BAC test. She also had no proof of insurance. Trooper Kevin Stroup, THP made the arrest.

### Police Beat

Carmen Jeanae Segall, 20, of Highland Avenue, Lenoir City, was charged with DUI 1st offense and violation of implied consent law.

According to the report, Officer B. Burley, LCPD stopped a vehicle for a window tint violation. Upon initial contact with the driver, Ms. Segall, she was noticeably nervous and there was the odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle.

Ms. Stegall performed poorly on sobriety tasks and refused a blood test. Officer B. Burley LCPD made the arrest.

Clifford Donald Trammell, 51, of Allen Shore Drive, Lenoir City was

charged with DUI and violation of implied consent.

According to the report, Officer Brandon Nix, LPD stopped a vehicle for crossing the centerline. The driver, Mr. Trammell had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and stated he'd consumed 4 beers and one and a half Xanax.

Trammell performed poorly on sobriety tasks and refused a BAC test. Officer Brandon Nix, LPD made the arrest.

Anthony Dewayne Presley, 43, of Blackburn Road, Lenoir City was charged with DUI, violation of implied consent and speeding.

According to the report, Lt. David Flynn, LCPD stopped a vehicle for speeding 67mph in a 40mph zone. Presley had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and was unsteady on his feet.

Presley refused sobriety tasks and a BAC test. Lt. David Flynn, LCPD made the arrest.

Lisa Dianelee Ferguson, 33, of County Road 298, Sweetwater was charged with VOP.

Deputy Carroll, LCSO made the arrest.

Jason Carl Bandy, 33, of Virtue Road, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Officer Jason Felts, LCPD made the arrest.

Justin Allen Walker, 23, of Church St., Loudon was charged with VOP.

Officer Jason Felts, LCPD made the arrest.

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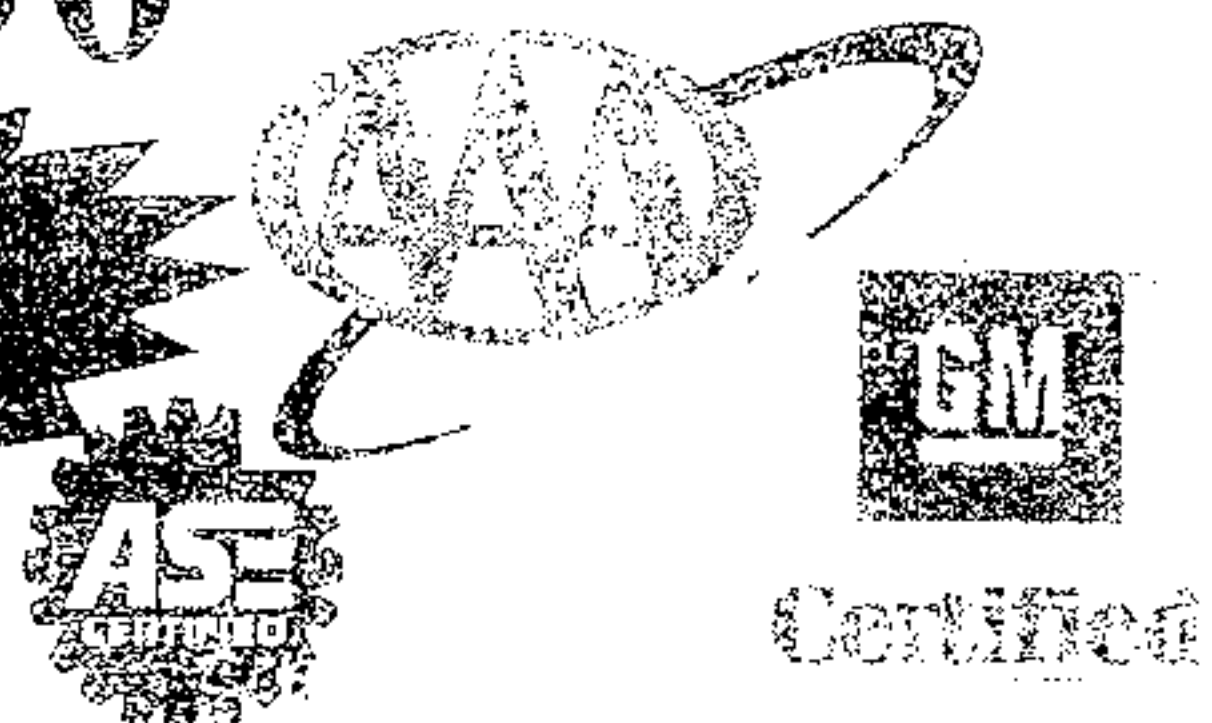
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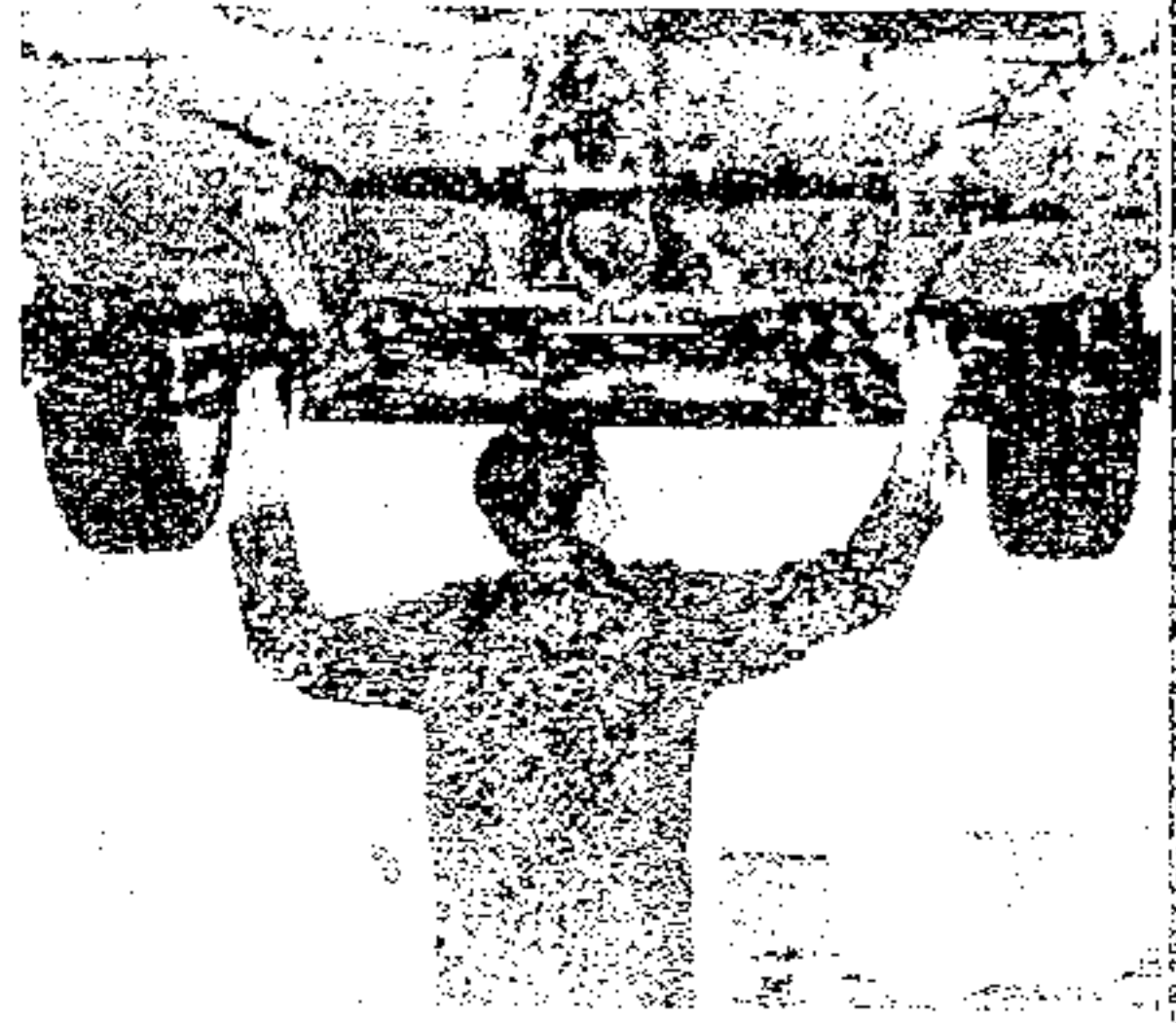
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**Branum**  
der \$500.

According to the report, Officer Brandon Gentry, LCPD responded to a call of a shop-

lifter at Walmart. Upon arrival, Loss prevention reported they observed Branum concealing Dr. Scholl's inserts, coke and a keychain while in

the sporting goods area of the store.

Branum then exited the store, passing all points of sale in an attempt to deprive the

store.

The total value of the items was \$65.84. Officer Brandon Gentry, LCPD made the arrest.

**Police Beat**

Michael Theotis Davis, 35, Grove Street, Loudon was charged with a chancery court mittimus.

Sharon Gail Branaum, 49, Hines Valley Road, Lenoir City was charged with a chancery court mittimus.

Shonna Lorissa Baker, 37, Kelly Lane, Lenoir City was charged with a chancery court mittimus.

Deputy John Maples, LCSO, made the arrests at the Chancery Court. Deputy Parks assisted.

William Don Frederick Jr., 37, Browder Hollow Road, Lenoir City was charged with domestic violence.

According to records, Sgt. Jason Butler, LCPD responded to a residence on Browder Hollow Road for an unwanted guest. On arrival Sgt. Butler witnessed Mr. Frederick Jr. and his girlfriend arguing back and forth.

The girlfriend stated Mr. Frederick got angry

and slammed a bottle of alcohol on the kitchen counter and caused it to spill, then slammed the oven door, causing the oven to break. He threw a charcoal grill across the yard, and then attempted to lock her out of her residence by barricading the door with the recliner.

The sgt. noted in his report he found several pieces of charcoal scattered across the yard and smelled a strong odor of alcohol coming from the kitchen area of the residence. Sgt. Butler determined Mr. Frederick was the primary aggressor and placed him under arrest.

Joshua Martin Cusick, 19, of Browder Hollow Road, Lenoir City was charged with a capias out of criminal court for theft of property.

Corporal Michael Wilson, LCSO made the arrest.

John Jason Marlow, 33, of Carter Street, Wartburg was charged with an attachment.

Deputy Robert Gray, LCSO made the arrest.

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## Foley

violation of probation.

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After Foley's arrest, two bags of a green leafy substance believed to be marijuana was found on his person. One bag weighed approximately 7 grams and the other was approximately 4 grams. The bags were packaged in ways consistent with narcotic sales.

Travis E. Foley, aka Mario Foley, 24, of Strutt Street, Oliver Springs was charged with speeding, criminal impersonation, sale and deliver of schedule VI and driving on suspended license. Officer Jeremy Dishner, LCPD made the arrest.

## Police Beat

Cory Joe Huffman, 20, of Caldwell Road, was charged with assault by domestic violence.

According to the report, Deputy Chris Jenkins, LCSO responded to the area of J&H Market to a possible domestic fight with a male choking a female. Before deputies arrived the vehicle had left the area and was later found traveling on Watkins Road and stopped.

The victim had visible red marks around her neck area and reported they got into an argument that became physical and Cory choked her. The victim reported she was in fear of her safety. Deputy Chris Jenkins, LCSO made the arrest.

*"Those who stand for nothing fall for anything."*

-Alexander Hamilton

## Horoscopes

ally are this awesome. Take what you need and leave the rest for others.

**Sagittarius 11/22-12/21**  
You are thinking about travel again. It must be a day that ends in 'Y'. Still, your great energy can help you make big plans or make the most of your time on the road, if you are actually away from home now.

**Capricorn 12/22-1/19**  
A small problem this morning turns into a much bigger problem this afternoon -- unless you devote all your time and energy to it. That's not fun or easy, but it can be done, and it's well worth your while.

**Aquarius 1/20-2/18**  
You are feeling the urge to assert your independence -- which comes around pretty frequently! It may manifest in small ways, or you may find yourself walking off the job in a huff.

**Pisces 2/19-3/20**  
What can you do to keep your mind from wandering? Today, you need to try every trick in the book to maintain focus, or you aren't likely to get anything done at all. Close that door!

**Aries 3/21-4/19**  
You may find it a little harder than usual to get along peaceably with your friends -- but any fights should be playful, not serious. Your great energy keeps you from going over the line.

**Taurus 4/20-5/20**  
You are feeling all hot up and maybe even a little self-righteous

today -- so make sure that you're tackling the right causes! You need to be certain that your targets are worthy of your time.

**Gemini 5/21-6/21**  
You are full of yourself -- in the best way! Your opinions are never ironclad, but you like to pretend they are sometimes, just to see if anyone will rise to the challenge. Expect some sassy fun!

**Cancer 6/22-7/22**  
You need to deal with someone whose extravagance is a problem -- but the answer may be to match it, not to counteract it. Show them that there's no end to that particular rabbit hole by splurging yourself!

**Leo 7/23-8/22**  
You feel pretty sure of yourself -- with good reason! Things are going your way and they may actually be pushing forward on their own, now that you've done all the hard work. Take a break!

**Virgo 8/23-9/22**  
Try not to brag too hard -- things are looking good, but that just means that you need to focus on work, not on PR. Once you've racked up another achievement (which shouldn't take long), you can talk it up.

**Libra 9/23-10/22**  
You have to get out there and mix it up with people -- your social energy demands it! Fortunately, you can find a good way to channel that power into something that benefits the group as a whole.

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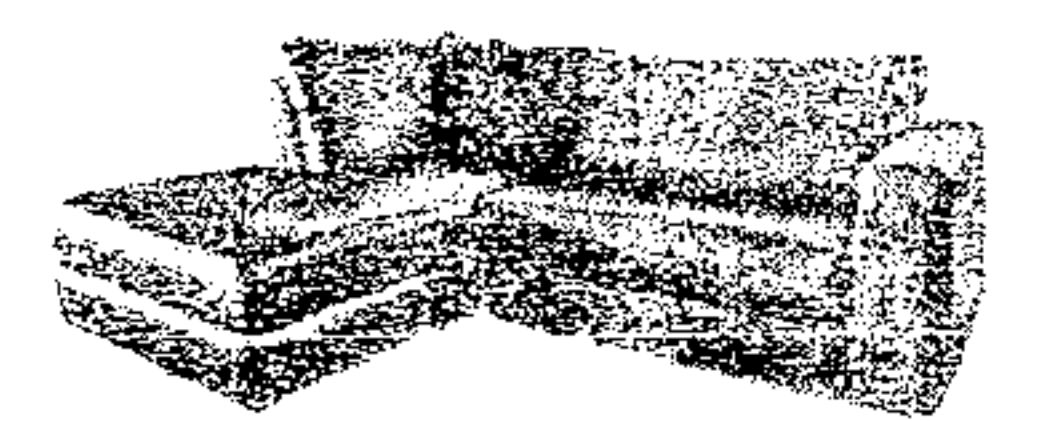


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Passed by the General Assembly in 2010, the policy calls for a yearly, special state parks day to honor Tennessee's resident veterans.

"This is our way of honoring the many brave men and women who have served our country," said Environment and Conservation Commissioner Bob Martineau. "The state parks family extends a warm invitation to all of Tennessee's veterans to visit us on Nov. 12 and enjoy a day in one of our beautiful parks."

The free day on Nov. 12 is in addition to Tennessee State Parks' cur-

rent veterans' policy, which includes a camping discount within the state parks system and is available annually beginning November 1 through March 31, offering a 15 to 25 percent reduction off the standard nightly base rates (depending on the type of site chosen). This camping discount is available to Tennessee residents showing proof of prior military duty.

A special state park discount also is in place for active duty military personnel and members of the Tennessee National Guard. This year-round discount is given to all U.S. military - regardless of their branch of service or where they are stationed. Disabled veterans also are eligible

for the Tennessee State Parks year-round ADA discount that provides a 25 to 50 percent discount for campsites. For more information about Tennessee State Parks' veterans and military discounts, please visit [www.tnstateparks.com/FAQs.shtml#military](http://www.tnstateparks.com/FAQs.shtml#military).

To receive the free state parks day benefits and extended discounts, veterans need to provide proof of residency with a Tennessee driver's license; and proof of veteran's status, with a Certificate of Discharge (DD214) or Veterans Administration benefit card.

Tennessee's 54 state parks and 82 natural areas span the state from the Appalachian Mountains to the Mississippi River and offer an array of diverse natural, recreational and cultural experiences, including hiking, camping, boating and golfing. Celebrating its 75th Anniversary this year, the Tennessee State Parks system was established through legislation in 1937. Today, there is a state park within an

hour's drive of just about anywhere in the state, with features such as pristine natural areas and a variety of lodging and dining choices. For more information, visit Tennessee State Parks' website at [www.tnstateparks.com](http://www.tnstateparks.com).

**Police Beat**

Melissa Helen Liponoga, 32, Maudé Avenue NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan was charged with public intoxication.

According to reports, Corporal Michael Watkins, LCSO was dispatched to Snodderly Drive in reference to an unwanted guest. The complainant advised her sister, Melissa Liponoga, came to her house and was intoxicated. She was refusing to leave and had been beating on her door causing a disturbance.

Liponoga was sitting on the porch steps and had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on her person and slurred speech.

When the corporal spoke to Ms. Liponoga, she would not answer any questions. All she would do is smile, laugh, and continue to call her sister names. An empty bottle of 1.75 litre Canadian Mist was

discovered by the steps where she was sitting.

Ms. Liponoga was deemed a danger to herself and others if left in the public and was transported to the Loudon County Jail.

Joel Stephen Easley, 29, homeless was charged with public intoxication and open container.

According to reports, Officer Dennis Guider, LCPD was dispatched to Walmart on a man drinking beer in the parking lot. On arrival the officer came in contact with Mr. Easley.

Easley had one open can of beer and two unopened cans. Mr. Easley had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage and slurred speech. He was placed under arrest and duly charged.

David Anthony Lee, 35, of Jaynes Street, Sweetwater was charged with VOP.

Deputy Bruce Padgett, LCSO made the arrest.

Elijah Don Morgan, 34, of Foster Road, Loudon, was charged with VOP and DUI/DOSL.

Deputy Wilburn, LCSO made the arrest.

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