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Wednesday, December 11, 2024

Keyboard Warrior Charged Again in Loudon, Woman Charged with DUI after **County This Time with Violation**



Jessica Houghton

(see Keyboard Warrior pg. 4)

Found in Car Wash Passed Out



Erica McCloud

see DUI pg. 2

Driving Too Slow and Swerving is Reason for THP Stop



Tamara Gardner

see THP pg. 3

Former Employee Indicted for Theft from Kingsport's Bays Mountain Park

An investigation by the Tennessee Comptroller's Office has resulted in the indictment of Mark Kilgore, the former Program Coordinator for the City of Kingsport's Bays Mountain Park & Planetarium (BMPP).

The investigation began after City of Kingsport officials reported questionable transactions to the Comptroller's Office.

responsible for BMPP finances, misappropriated at least \$31,370 in cash from parking fees collected by BMPP employees.

Investigators determined that Kilgore altered cash collection totals on daily gate house deposit sheets and removed the cash before it was deposited. Kilgore concealed these alterations by voiding cash receipts in the

Kilgore, who was city's receipt system, predominantly using other employees' access information. This allowed deposits to match receipt system daily collection totals.

> Additionally, vestigators identified other questionable voided receipts totaling \$19,250. Due to a lack of documentation supporting voided receipts and manage-

> > see Theft pg. 5

Verse of the Day

Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves Romans 12:10

Wazzup

What does the Facebook Keyboard Warriors have to say now about their Queen? More Fake News from Facebook coming upon release this time? Weather

Today: Light Rain. High of 42F.

Tonight: Overcast. Low

of 29F.

Thursday: Mostly sunnv. High of 46F.

Thursday night: Clear. Low 28F.

Horoscope

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21 Let your sensual, nurturing instincts shine through, Sagittarius. Rely on your sixth sense. If things start to get rough, remember that you have the ability to keep your cool. Not only is this an extremely important tool

DUI

Erica McCloud, 28, Vonore Road Loudon, was charged with DUI.

Loudon City Police was dispatched to the address of Carding Machine Rd - Big Red Car Wash, owner of the car was (complainant) stated to our central dispatch a vehicle sitting on the property for over an hour, Tan Nissan Altima Tag of 862BNWN. Officer Luna upon arriving on scene, and observed a vehicle matching the description, sitting next to a

vacuum station, running with the lights on.

Officer Luna was approach by the complainant stating the female driver hasn't moved. Officer Luna approach the vehicle observing a female sitting on the driver seat, the officer attempted to make contact with the driver knocking on the driver's window several times with the officer hand and flashlight, she appear to be asleep. Vehicle was running with lights on and key were seen in the ignition.

After several attempts

female woke up and roll down her window. Female later identify as Erica Mc-Cloud.

Upon interaction, the officer notice several signs if impairment, which lead the officer to believe Erica was under the influence of alcohol. An strong odor of alcohol and two alcoholic beverages were observed in the cup holders, two small bottles of 99 Proof - 49.5% Alc./Vol., according to the label on them, on of them was empty the other one was more than half empty, plus an additional 4 full bottles of the

same brand inside a plastic

Given the aforemention signs of impairment, the officer asked Erica to step out of the vehicle and she was asked to perform standardized field sobriety test.

The test included the Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus (HGN), Walk and Turn, and One Leg Stand tests, all of which Erica McCloud did not perform satisfactorily. Erica was placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon County Jail.

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THP

Tamara Gardner, 40, Piller Court Virginia, was charged with DUI.

THP. H. Singh THP, was on the right shoulder of westbound Interstate 40 observing westbound traffic. The trooper noticed a white compact utility vehicle traveling at a low rate of speed in the right lane. The trooper estimated the speed to be approximately 45 MPH and verified it to be 46 MPH with his rear antenna of radar unit. Another SUV passed the location and aftempted to get his attention about said vehicle. The trooper merged into traffic and observed the white utility vehicle's driving. The trooper noits lane and failed to maintain its lane. The trooper activated his emergency lights, and the vehicle was slow to stop. At one point, the vehicle was on the right shoulder and nearly ran into the guardrail. The vehicle finally came to a stop. The trooper observed the driver to have slurred speech and bloodshot/watery eyes. There was an obvious odor of alcohol on her breath. The trooper had her step out of the vehicle and observed an open Mike's Hard Lemonade

can on the floor between the driver's seat and driver's door. The defendant had urinated on herself and had soiled clothing. She was also unsteady exiting the vehicle. Tthe trooper identified her through her Virginia license as Tamara Lavon Gardner. The trooper asked her how much she had to drink, and she stated just one Mike's Hard. She also stated that she was heading home to Virginia Beach and initially thought she was still in Virginia. She agreed to perform SFSTs. The trooper observed lack of smooth pursuit along with distinct and sustained nystagmus at maximum deviation. The defendant moved her head throughout the test ticed it was swerving in and had trouble focusing on the stimulus. The trooper also observed her to be sway during HGN. During the walk and turn, the defendant lost balance during the instructional phase. She missed heel to toe and stepped off line numerous times on both sets. She also made an improper turn. During the one leg stand, the defendant put her foot down numerous times, raised her arms for balance, and even used the front of his vehicle to balance herself. Gardner was placed under arrest.

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Keyboard Warrior

The Admin for a facebook group known to harrass people with fake posts and outright lies has been charged again in Loudon County with a Violation not connected to her facebook group.

Jessica Houghton, 43, Robinson Circle Lenoir City, was charged with Violation of Probation.

Deputy Billy Lewis LCSO, traveled to Robinson Drive to attempt and locate Jessica Houghton for Violation of Probation out of Loudon County General Session with docket number 23-CR-1277. Upon arrival, the deputy made contact with Jessica Houghton taking her into custody for her VOP. The Deputy transported Jessica Houghton

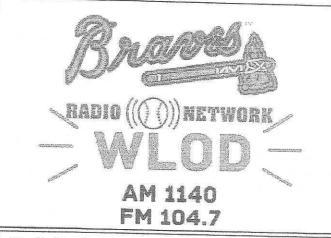
to the Loudon County Jail without further incident. This did occur in Loudon County Tennessee.

Police beat

Stephanie Nichols, 36, River Road Loudon, was charged with, Criminal

Trespassing.

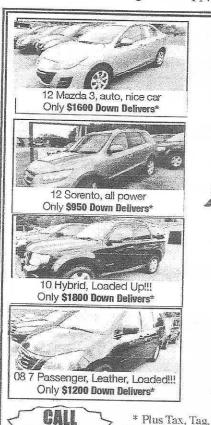
Officer A. Luna LPD, responded to an Unwanted Guest call at Elm Ln. Officers made contact with Ms. Stephanie Nichols. She has been advised by multiple officers not to be back to this residence, specifically on November 17th, and the victim who lives there stated (today) he did not want her there. Ms. Nichols was placed under arrest for Criminal Trespass and transported to the Loudon County Jail without incident. This did occur in Loudon County, TN.



Public Notice

Loudon County Public Records Commission will meet on December 20th at 5:30 at the Annex.

Loudon County Commission will hold a special called meeting on December 20th at 6:00 at the Annex to vote on ARPA funding and cemetery regulation changes and to discuss and vote on road standards in the subdivision regulations.



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Theft

ment oversight, investigators were unable to determine if these voided receipts were for authorized and appropriate purposes.

Mark Kilgore's employment with the City of Kingsport was terminated on February 23, 2022.

Based upon this investigation, in October 2024. the Sullivan County Grand Jury indicted Mark Kilgore for one count of theft of \$10,000 or more, one count of violation of the Tennessee Personal and Commercial Computer Act of 2003, and one count of identity theft.

"City officials should ensure they provide oversight to the people responsible for preparing deposits," said Comptroller Mumpower. "Kilgore was responsible for preparing daily deposits, reconciling collection records, and receipting funds. Allowing one person to

have exclusive control over all financial duties increases the risk of fraud, waste, or abuse.

To view the investigative report, go to tncot.cc/doireports.

County for Theft from Emergency Rental Assistance Program

An investigation by the Tennessee Comptroller's investigators determined they the Knox County Emergency Rental Assistance Program. ment process. The program allows county residents who were negativeto receive rental and utility payment assistance.

reported questionable transactions to the Comptroller's Office.

Investigators determined that Amanda McKay, who worked for Knox County Grants and Community Development, misappropriated program funds totaling at least \$79,679. McKay used Three Indicted in Knox false client information to have rental and utility payments sent to herself and her former husband.

Investigators also ques-Office has resulted in the intion another \$9,073.24 that dictment of three people after Amanda McKay received from the program. The funds misappropriated funds from were not authorized through the normal approval and pay-

Additionally, Jennifer ly affected by the pandemic Harper, who worked for the Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Com-The investigation began mittee (KCCAC), and her after Knox County officials husband, James Harper, misappropriated program funds totaling at least \$12,800. Investigators believe they used report, go to tncot.cc/doirea false rental agreement to

apply for and receive rental assistance.

Based upon this investigation, in November 2024, the Knox County Grand Jury indicted Amanda McKay, Jennifer Harper, and James Harper on a variety of charges including theft. The full list of charges can be viewed in the Comptroller's investigative report.

"Knox County and Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee officials should take steps to ensure their oversight and internal control systems are effective to prevent misappropriation," said Comptroller Mumpower. "I'm pleased to note the deficiencies that contributed to these acts are already being corrected."

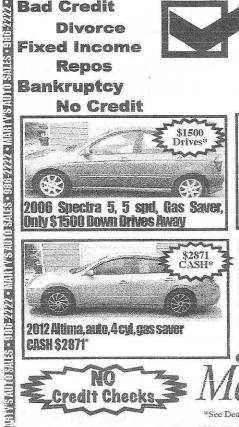
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Horoscopes

but it's also essential to maintaining any sort of stability in the situation

Capricom 12/22-01/19

A solid grounding is apt to be extremely important to you today, Capricorn. Hearts may be broken or won, depending on how well you play your cards. Keep in mind that the slow and steady contender is most likely going to win this race. All the talk in the world will get you nowhere.

Aquarius 1/20-2/18

Regardless of how much the storm seems to be raging out of control, you will be able to handle it, Aquarius. Have confidence in your grounded nature. There's a reason why you take the time to address the details and carefully plan your moves. Today is one day when you will see the rewards of your diligent actions, especially in love, beauty, and your deepest emotions

Pisces 2/19–3/20

Hold on to your hat, Pisces, and be ready for some action. You're coming to a critical

point in your emotional cycle when your heart feels heavy. You may feel pinned down by a huge weight, like you're being sucked into quicksand. Grab a branch and pull yourself out. Aries 3/21-4/19

In a string of intense emotional dramas, the last thing you need is one more, Aries. Unfortunately, it looks like you're going to get just that. Once again, an incredible romantic scenario is coming to a head, and your emotions are in turmoil. Hold still, wait for the hit, and then proceed.

Taurus 4/20-5/20

There's a great deal of grounding energy in your world today, Taurus, which might work to smother your fire. Whatever happens, don't let the embers burn out. One of the assets you bring to the group is a strong dynamism that gives people the courage to change. Be a fighter in the ring.

Gemini 5/21-6/20 Take pressing matters to the hilt

today, Gemini, especially when it comes to romantic issues and emotional needs. You have all the data you need to make a

valid point. You have a whole battalion of facts to back you up, so fire at will. Your feelings are strong and intense. Don't ignored them under any circumstances.

Cancer 6/21-7/22

As you try to express your opinions today, you may have the feeling that someone is kicking sand in your face, Cancer. Like a kid on the beach, you have nothing but the raw elements to use to defend yourself. Use one of your greatest gifts - the power of your mind - to combat the opposing force.

Leo 7/23-8/22

Your boat is likely to be rocked today, Leo, to the point where you and all of your belongings could go overboard. Be prepared to swim ashore. Grounding and stability are the keys to maintaining a healthy attitude, especially when it comes to ever-fluctuating emotions. Issues regarding the home and people's possessions are likely to surface in a dramatic man-

Virgo 8/23-9/22

Calm down and get centered, Virgo. This is an extremely

sensual day that's likely to pique your emotions. You're apt to receive input from each one of your senses, so keep these channels open and available for new information that's trying to break through. Don't be hasty. Libra 9/23-10/22

Today is your day to shine in every way, Libra. There's a concentration of energy in your favor, so act boldly and without hesitation. Your emotions are leading the way, and your heart is barely a half a step behind. Follow these forces like the Pied Piper. Let this be the start of a wild ride on a whole new roller coaster of adventures

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

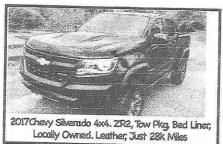
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(As required by Chapter No 199, Public Acts of Tennessee 1999 As Amended by Public Chapter 996 on 05/09/2012)

Notice is hereby given that on THE 5TH DAY OF DECEM-BER 2024, Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of CHARLES EDWARD HELMS who died on the 3RD day of DECEMBER 2024 be issued to the undersigned by the LOUD-ON County PROBATE Court of LOUDON County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the CLERK of the abovenamed court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claim will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication (or posting) as

described in (1) (A); or (2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

THIS THE 5TH DAY OF DE-

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BY: Penny Glasgow, Sr. Deputy Clerk Robyn Shannon, Deputy Clerk

By Personal Representative(s) RON HENSLEY AND DALE HENSLEY

Notice to Creditors:

All Claims must be submitted on a claim form, notarized with invoices/statements; in triplicate, with a fee of \$20.00 to Loudon County Probate Court, 12699 Highway 11 West Ste. 3, Lenoir City, TN 37771 published December 9, 2024 and December 16, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

(As required by Chapter No 175, Public Acts of Tennessee 1939 As Amended by Public Chapter 827 on 05/09/2012)

IN REGARDS TO THE ES-TATE OF: DOCKET NO: 7242 RICKEY EARL MAYFIELD, deceased, a resident of Loudon

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Notice is hereby given that on the 2ND DAY OF DECEM-BER 2024 Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of RICKEY EARL MAYFIELD, who died on the 18th DAY OF OCTOBER 2024 were issued to the undersigned by the Loudon County Probate Court of Loudon County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claim will be forever barred:

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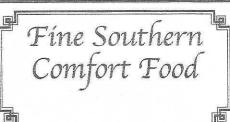
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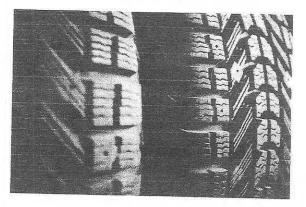


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