

POLICE BLOTTER

A quick stop at a North Ellington Parkway convenience store was costly for a Lewisburg man Saturday.

He left the store to find his red 2012 Chevrolet Camaro — containing a backpack filled with \$15,000 cash — was gone, along with a woman passenger he admitted he hardly knows.

Video footage from the store shows the woman leaving the store northbound on Nashville Highway.

The victim told Lewisburg police he'd picked up the woman a short time earlier in the Chapel Hill area. He'd met her "a few weeks" ago and didn't know her age or address, but thought she was from Lewisburg.

The money in the backpack was going to be used to purchase another vehicle, and the woman was aware of its contents, the victim said.

Other thefts reported

to area authorities:

- A blue 1997 Harley Davidson Road King motorcycle was stolen Sunday from a Nashville Highway parking lot, police were told.
- The bike had been parked next to Big Wash Tub several days earlier when the rider was arrested by Lewisburg police during a traffic stop.
- A cell phone was taken from a Verona Caney Road home between 3-11 p.m. Monday, according to a Marshall County Sheriff's Office report. A suspect was named.
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- A man was charged with kidnapping Thursday after allegedly blocking his girlfriend from leaving their Franklin Road home.
- Michael Lee Morris, 39, allegedly held the woman against her will from 10 a.m.-1:15 p.m. when she was able to call 911. During that period, she told police, Morris

struck her when she attempted to leave or get her phone.

The victim was able to briefly access the phone, but Morris allegedly grabbed it and cut off the call when he realized she'd called for help. An officer responding to an "open line" 911 call spotted Morris running into a wooded area. LPD Officer Gunnar Southerland found and arrested Morris moments later.

Morris was also charged with domestic assault and interference with 911 calls.

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An Alabama woman accused of joyriding and possession of methamphetamine told Lewisburg police a truck she allegedly took without permission Thursday was "a gift from God" — and she didn't consider her drive stealing.

Jessica Baca, of Geraldine, Alabama, who has relatives in Marshall County, said she needed a house and vehicle. She saw a "for sale" sign

outside a Cornersville Road home, knocked on the door, and no one answered.

She told Officer Dustin Turner a truck was in the yard with keys on its dashboard.

"She stated she believed this was a gift from God, so she took the vehicle, but did not believe she stole it," Turner said in his report.

Baca told Turner she drove around the area looking for a place to live, and picked up what she said was a "free couch on the side of the road." Eventually, Baca returned the truck to the Cornersville Road home and was driven by a relative to a motel.

A bag containing 0.66 grams of meth and two glass pipes were confiscated as Baca was being arrested, Turner's report said. The meth charge and a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia were added.

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"It's my son's birthday," a woman accused

of shoplifting more than \$500 worth of items from the Lewisburg Walmart cried as she spoke to police Monday.

Advance warning by Walmart loss prevention personnel didn't deter Hailey Whitehead of Shelbyville from attempting to leave without paying, police said. Security personnel told LPD Col. Jenny Frost they watched Whitehead place items in her buggy and go through the self-checkout area.

She was stopped, told to pay for the 55 items, and left anyway, police said. Many of the listed items, which took up multiple pages of a printed police report, were women's makeup items.

Whitehead, who allegedly denied taking some of the items, was cited for shoplifting and banned from the store. Records show Whitehead has also been previously charged with shoplifting in Shelbyville.

How will you celebrate Magellan's 500th anniversary?

By **Danny Tyree**

When does a 500th anniversary require an asterisk?

If you're a fan of trivia and myth-busting, you've doubtless heard umpteen repetitions of "George Washington didn't really have wooden teeth," "Napoleon wasn't short," "Lemmings don't commit mass suicide" and "Ferdinand Magellan didn't sail all the way around the world."



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Sure enough, Magellan was killed two years into the three-year voyage to circumnavigate the globe. (That probably saved him from an ugly scene at home. Before he set sail, he told Mrs. Magellan he was just going to the corner market to buy a pack of Marlboros. She should have been tipped off by the Doc Brown-ish "Where we're going, we don't need roads!" comment, but love is blind.)

On the other hand, a milestone is still a milestone. September 8 marks the 500th anniversary of Spanish navigator Juan Sebastian Elcano's return to Spain in the only vessel to survive Magellan's 1519 expedition to the Spice Islands. (Posh Spice, meet Scurvy Spice.)

I guess Magellan (rather than Elcano) sticks in the public consciousness because of expert PR work. You know, "Magellan would have sailed all the way himself if not for that 'getting killed in the Philippines' thingie." I need a publicist myself. ("Danny Tyree cured the common cold, except for that 'not getting his butt off the sofa and doing research' thingie.")

So perilous was Magellan's journey that another 55 years passed before Sir Francis Drake accomplished the second circumnavigation of the globe. Well, the perils and the bad Yelp reviews Magellan wrote combined to slow down copycats.

Magellan had an incalculable impact on the entire world. He helped give empirical support for the idea of the earth being spherical. (Many of his contemporaries took an attitude of "Follow the science — but not off the edge of the world! Aaaaieee!")

He discovered (to his chagrin) the vastness of the Pacific Ocean, discovered South American animals unknown to Europeans and inspired indigenous peoples to learn phrases such as "Indigenous peoples? No indigenous peoples around here. Just good ol' white European males with no gold or anything."

I understand that Magellan met with heaps of skepticism before embarking on his voyage. Pondering the circumnavigation aspect, one shade-tree philosopher drawled, "You can't get here from here."

Even after Elcano's return, the doubts persisted. ("They filmed the whole journey out in the desert somewhere. I'll bet Magellan had Neil Armstrong on speed-dial.")

Merchandise and commemorations tied to the anniversary are getting people worldwide revved up, but some folks remain blasé. This includes those who loathed World History in school and others who are all too familiar with people (like my late father-in-law) who go All the Way Around the World to tell a story. ("The 3/16-inch wrench didn't work, so I got my trusty 7/32-inch wrench off the front seat...or was it the floorboard...?")

Magellan's pioneering efforts seem quaint nowadays, since we have jet planes, satellites and TV spoilers traveling around the world with breathtaking speed.

But Magellan was one of the giants of the Age of Exploration. For all the talk of a Mars mission, we're now stuck in the Middle Age of Exploration.

("Glad I didn't become an astronaut. I just want to send my hot younger girlfriend to get my cholesterol medicine while I let my imagination run free as I listen to my favorite podcast: 'Only Laxatives in the Building.'")

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1 row cultivator, 3 pt bale spear, Sigma 7 ft rotary tiller, Tar River TXG-050 50" tiller, Big Bee 4 ft 3 pt cutter, 60 gallon air compressor, Truck toolboxes & fuel tanks, Stihl FS90 Weedeater, Predator 9000 Generator, Dewalt 5700 Generator, Energy Storm 4100 Generator, Dewalt 4000 Pressure Washer, Bolt and Fastener Bins and Contents, Work Benches/Toolboxes/Mechanics tools, 300+ Metal Fence Posts, 3" Rainflo Water Pump, 2" Honda Water pump, 1" Predator Water Pump, 1200 "Super Sacks", 100 tomato boxes, 4250 Berry qt. containers, 240 NEW food grade 5 gal buckets, 400 clamshell Pint containers, 352 1lb clamshell containers

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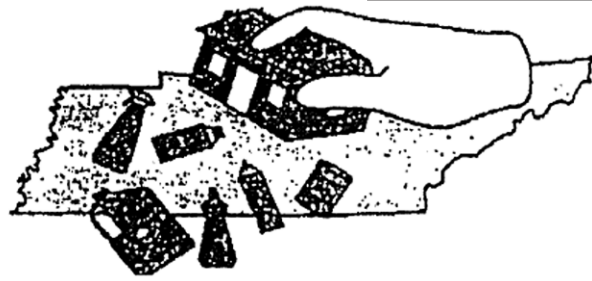
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Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event September 10th, 2022

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Marshall County Recycling Hub
611 Hawkins Drive, Lewisburg, TN

Sponsored by Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation

Household Hazardous Waste - is defined as corrosive, flammable, toxic, or reactive materials used in your home, car or truck, or garden and lawn that is unwanted/unusable.



Now's your chance... It's FREE!

You can dispose of all those left over household chemicals, lawn and garden products and automotive materials that you've never known what to do with.

Things to Bring:

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- Wood Cleaners & Polishes
- Metal Cleaners & Polishes
- Toilet Bowl Cleaners
- Disinfectants

Home Maintenance

- Paint Thinner
- Wood Preservatives
- Paint Strippers & Removers,
- Adhesives

Miscellaneous

- Fingernail Polish Remover
- Pool Chemicals
- Photo Processing Chemicals
- Medicines & Drugs
- Reactive Materials
- Aerosols (spray cans)
- Compressed Gas
- Mercury Thermostats
- Mercury Thermometers
- Fluorescent Light Bulbs
- Needles/Sharps (in container)
- Lead

Lawn & Garden Chemicals

- Herbicides • Pesticides
- Fungicides • Fertilizers

Automotive Products

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- Grease & Rust Solvents
- Air Conditioning Refrigerants
- Starter Fluids
- Body Putty
- Coolants
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