

Mom accused in Christmas beating of a TC toddler

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Alleged Christmas day beating that sent a 2-year-old girl to intensive care prompted the arrest of her mother last week.

Alaina Monroe, 24, of Spivey Ward Drive, Tabor City, was charged Friday with child abuse neglect resulting in serious bodily injury, a Columbus County Sheriff's Office report said.

Monroe was released from the Columbus County Detention Center on Friday under a \$25,000 bond. She is accused of neglecting to provide the medical care necessary for her daughter, identified as K.A.M., who "suffered from severe bruising about the body, a broken rib located on her right side, seizures, and bleeding from the brain," the warrant obtained by Det. Samantha Hickman said.

Deputies were contacted just after 3 a.m. on Christmas day that the child had been taken by private vehicle to Grand Strand Regional Medical Center in Myrtle Beach, a report said. The child, who has since been released from the hospital, spent four days in the intensive care unit at another hospital, The News Reporter reported.

An investigation by the sheriff's office and Columbus County Department of Social Services is ongoing.

Other recent reports on file at the Columbus County Sheriff's Office and Detention Center include:

Charges

- Jordan Anthony Myka Leggett, 27, of Dead End Street, Fair Bluff, charged with assault on a female and resisting police, arrested Dec. 22, the assault charges originating from the Kannapolis Police Department, resisting police a Fair Bluff charge.
- Joshua Lee Green, 37, of Sanit Isle Road, Longs, was charged with assault on a female and larceny of a motor vehicle, arrested Dec. 15.
- McKinly Freeman Jr., 27, of Dulah Road, Tabor City, was charged with driving with a revoked license, reckless driving, fleeing to elude arrest with a motor vehicle, and marijuana possession arrested on Jan. 1. Freeman was arrested on Peacock Road at Midway Drive, Chadbourn driving a dark green Saturn and found in possession of marijuana, the report by Deputy Joshua Cox.
- Tammy Juanita Spivey, 48, of James B. White Hwy South, Tabor City, was charged with communicating threats, trespassing, and resisting police, arrested Jan. 1.
- Tonya Lynn Hammonds, 45, of Hickman Road, Tabor City, was charged with resisting police, arrested Dec. 21 on a warrant from New Hanover Regional Medical Center Special Police.
- Wendy Marie Norris, 46, of Ten Mile Road, Tabor City, was charged with possession of stolen goods and larceny, arrested Dec. 11.
- Jeremy Tyrone Floyd, 24, of Burns street, Tabor City, was charged with felony possession of a schedule 6 controlled substance and failing to appear in court, arrested Jan. 4.
- David Hedwin, 20, of Richard Wright Road, Tabor City, was charged with driving after consuming alcohol while younger than 21, arrested Jan. 1.
- Earl Preston Edge, 56, of

Swamp Fox Hwy West, Fair Bluff, was charged with trespassing, arrested Dec. 28.

- Ronnie Lee Tyler, 59, of Live Oak Street, Tabor City, was charged with aiding and abetting larceny, arrested Dec. 11.
- Summer Nicole Vause, 30, of Main Street, Fair Bluff, was charged with heroin possession, arrested Dec. 12.
- Daniel Lee Harris, 27, of New Life Church Road, Tabor City, was charged with larceny, arrested Dec. 19.
- Angela Nichole Phillips, 30, of James B. White Hwy, Tabor City, was charged with failing to appear in court.
- Shikei Reakwon Daniels, 21, of Ten Mile Road, Tabor City, was charged with 14 counts of failing to appear in court, arrested Dec. 18. He was jailed at the Columbus County Detention Center under bonds totaling \$17,000.
- Darin Andre-Lee Jenrette, 30, of Pine Circle Drive, Tabor City, was charged with driving with a revoked license, operating an uninsured vehicle, giving fictitious information to a police officer, and non-support of a child, arrested Dec. 16 by Whiteville police.
- Brandy Nicole Fowler, 34, of Old Stake Road, Tabor City, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, arrested Dec. 14.
- David Matthew Niven, 24, of Carl Reeves Lane, Nakina, was charged with two counts of failing to appear in court and a probation violation, arrested Dec. 15. He is the son of Tribune Editor Deuce Niven.
- Sherry Esther Cribb, 44, of Swamp Fox Hwy East, Tabor City, was charged with two counts of failing to appear in court, arrested Dec. 13.
- Chassika Danielle Farmer, 31, of Dothan Road, Tabor City, was charged with failing to appear in court, arrested Dec. 13.
- Earnest Levon Bethea, 56, of Berry Street, Fair Bluff, was charged with violating his probation, arrested Dec. 12.
- Michael Jermain Damon, 22, an inmate at Tabor Correctional Institution, was charged with assault on a government official, arrested Dec. 21.

Incidents

- Jason Dale Stone, 37, was the victim of theft of his Chevrolet Silverado, Harley Davidson novelty edition, worth \$15,000 from Miller Road at Ashley Avenue, Tabor City, a Dec. 22 report by MSGT Steven Nobles said.
- Nancy Faulk King, 75, was the victim of a break-in on Shug Norris Road, Tabor City and theft of yard maintenance equipment, fishing poles and jumper cables worth \$505 total, a Dec. 27 report by Deputy Joshua Cox said.
- Muriel Barnhill Fowler, 74, was the victim of theft on Walter Todd Road, Clarendon, with a \$100 pocketbook containing \$70 cash, a debit card, checkbook, driver's license and prescription medication reported stolen.
- La Michoacana, a business on Swamp Fox Hwy East, Tabor City, was the victim of theft of a flat screen TV worth \$350, a Dec. 19 report by Sgt. Josh McPherson said.
- Bozie Levon McCray, 45, was the victim of a break-in on Miller Road, Tabor City and theft of a 42 inch television worth \$200, a Dec. 13 report by Det. Elliott said.



Advanced LEO

Lt. Jeremy Barber, left, of the Columbus County Sheriff's Office had obtained the Advanced Law Enforcement Certificate from the NC Sheriff's Education and Training Standards Commission, awarded after the veteran deputy attained a specified number of training hours, years of service, and education. Sheriff Jody Greene congratulated Lt. Barber for his accomplishment.

Concealed weapon charges: TCPD

Arrests involving concealed weapons are among the recent reports on file at the Tabor City Police Department:

- Lataysha Monsha Mason, 22, of Clark Street, Chadbourn, was charged with carrying a concealed weapon without having her carry conceal permit in her possession, a Dec. 19 report said.
- Derrick Rashad Locklear, 25, of Oxendine Street, Pembroke, was charged with carrying a concealed gun, possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, a Dec. 30 report by Officer Christopher Cotton said.
- Shanquel Jamar Canty, 24, of Daisy Lane, was charged with carrying a concealed weapon and marijuana possession, a Dec. 9 report by Officer Ronald Edwards said. He was also charged on a warrant with non-support of a child.
- Boecephous Beamon Buffkin, 34, of Piroway Road, was charged with obtaining property by false pretense, a Dec. 20 report by Officer Ronald Edwards said. Buffkin is accused of passing two forged checks for \$250 and \$300 on a BB&T account of Jerry Small.
- Shana Amish Ham, 26, of Knickerback Road, Longs, was charged with damage to property and resisting police, accused of damaging a microwave oven inside the Economy Inn, and refusing to be handcuffed by police making the arrest, Dec. 7 reports by Officer Christopher Cotton said.
- Argelio Tinoco Pulido, 17, of Little Bethel

Road, Green Sea, was charged with failing to stop for a stopped school bus with its warning lights and equipment activated, a Dec. 13 report by Lt. Robert Mumblow said.

- Norrell Jarey Miller, 29, of Vinegar Hill Road, was charged with illegally parking in a handicapped space, a Dec. 13 report by Lt. Robert Mumblow said.
- Paul Bullard Jr., 28, of Welton Road, Pembroke, was charged with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, a Dec. 30 report by Officer Christopher Cotton said.
- Vanity Shynice Clay, 29, of Clay Estates, was charged with driving with a revoked license following an auto crash on East 8th Street, a Dec. 11 report by Lt. Richard Kosloski said.
- Tameca Chaquita Owen, 39, of Tareyton Road, Fayetteville, was charged with driving with a revoked license, a Dec. 17 report by Officer Ronald Edwards said.
- Arturo Alfredo Hernandez, 28, of Lucama, was charged with driving without a license, a Dec. 16 report by Officer Ronald Edwards said.
- Amy Elizabeth Jernigan, 28, of Greenfield Estates Road, Whiteville, was charged with allowing an unlicensed driver to operate her vehicle, a Dec. 16 report by Officer Ronald Edwards said.
- Alyssa Marie Alton, 20, of Forest Lane, was charged with driving without a license, a Dec. 16 report by Officer Ronald Edwards said.

Stolen vehicle, bad checks: LPD

Arrests for possession of a stolen vehicle and passing fraudulent checks are among recent reports on file at the Loris Police Department:

- Ryan Brandon Stephens, 21, who shows addresses on New Britton Hwy East, Whiteville and in Myrtle Beach, was charged with possession of a stolen vehicle, unlawful carrying of a pistol, and driving with a suspended license, a Dec. 11 report by Officer Bobby Brush said. Brush reported seeing a white Ford with two people in it in the area of Lake Drive and Railroad Avenue, circling the block while running a records check and finding that the car had been reported stolen in Horry County. Stephens was alone in the car when the officer came back around the block. Stephens, in custody, told police there were two handguns in the car, under the seat, and officers recovered those weapons, the report said.
- Kennard R. Harris, 19, of Kitsap Lane in Longs, was charged on Loris Police Department warrants with obtaining property by false pretense and forgery, jail

records from Dec. 27 at the J. Reuben Long Detention Center near Conway show. Police were called to the Loris IGA on Dec. 3 where staff had determined a check Harris attempted to pass there was fraudulent, a report by Officer Eric Stevens said.

- Craig Latwain Chestnut, 26, of Freemont Road in Longs, was charged on Loris Police Department warrants with obtaining property by false pretense and forgery, jail records from Dec. 20 at the J. Reuben Long Detention Center near Conway show. Police were called to the Loris IGA on Dec. 3 where staff had determined a check Chestnut attempted to pass there was fraudulent, a report said.
- Jason Nathan Jones, 32, of Lake Drive, Supply, was charged on warrants with three counts of shoplifting, larceny, operating a vehicle without a license in his possession, and failing to maintain proof of insurance on his vehicle, a Dec. 18 report said.
- James Allen Brown, 65, of Maple Street, was charged with trespassing, accused in an incident at the Hill's grocery where he allegedly

cursed an employee. Brown has a long history of arrests by Loris police, charged last month with public intoxication, Oct. 25 with assault and trespassing, Oct. 8 with resisting police and breach of peace, assault charges in June and July, disorderly conduct in March, breach of peace in February, records at the J. Reuben Long Detention Center show.

- Freddy Ray Neely, 35, who shows addresses in Kannapolis and Salisbury, was charged with public disorderly conduct and public intoxication after police responded to a report of a drunk pedestrian on Hwy 9 Business East, a Dec. 8 report by Officer Steven Brode said. Neely was charged with the same offense in Myrtle Beach on Nov. 23, and was jailed until Nov. 30, records at J. Reuben Long Detention Center near Conway show. Neely was held in the jail for three days following his arrest in Loris, jail records show.
- Ricky Wayne Boyd, 51, of Brandon Lane, Conway, was charged with driving with a suspended license, reckless driving, and hit and run, a Nov. 13 report said.



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Devils down Whiteville

A sharp Tabor City defeated the Whiteville Wolfpack 26-6 leaving the Devils with a perfect 7-0 record.

The Wolfpack dropped to 3-3. Scoring touchdowns for the Devils were Ronald Ward, Lonnie Grainger, Randy Huggins, and Mike Spivey.

Gunfire leads to attempt murder arrest

A Loris area man facing attempted murder charges remained in custody this week.

Hakeem Tequan Bennett, 21, of Airport Road, Loris, was charged with two counts of attempted murder in an Oct. 23, 2018 incident investigated by the Horry County Police Department, arrested Jan. 2 by the Horry County Sheriff's Office.

Bennett remained in custody at the J. Reuben Long Detention Center near Conway under a \$25,000 bond, jail records show.

HCPD officers were called to Bennett Loop Road about 3 p.m. last Oct. 23 and were told by a woman there that her boyfriend who is the father of her child shot two rounds into her car as she was trying to drive away following an argument, the report said.

The woman told police her baby was also in the car. No one was hurt, at least one bullet hit the front left tire of the car, the report said.

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Gamer says he won & got a bogus bill

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You win some, you lose some, would seem to be the experience of a Tabor City man who says he won \$100 playing a video game at one local convenience store, only to be told the bill was counterfeit at another branch of the same business.

Robby Lee Turner, 54, of Carolina Trace, said he won \$130 playing an electronic video game at the Vasco #1 on Fair Bluff Road, in Tabor City, including a \$100 bill, then traveled to the Vasco #2 on East 5th Street to play a video machine there, the Jan. 5 report by Lt. Robert Mumblow said.

But when he tried to spend the \$100 bill at the second store the clerk spotted it for a counterfeit, and would not accept it, Turner said.

Returning to Vasco #1, Turner spoke to a clerk, who called the owner, who said he could not immediately come to the store, the report said.

Police took the bogus bill, and asked Turner to let the TCPD know if Vasco gave him another \$100 in its place.

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