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Couple charged with three break-ins

They're caught cashing stolen lottery tickets

BY JAMES CLARK Editor for the Southern Standard (McMinnville, Tennessee)

A deputy hit the jackpot Wednesday when he walked into a local convenience store and saw two suspects wanted for burglary cashing in lottery tickets they had stolen just hours earlier.

Eric Lee Rogers, 26, and Ashley Jean West, 29, both of Rebel Hill Street, have been arrested and face more than 10 charges for breaking into three stores and vandalizing another early Wednesday morning.

Deputy Jared Jacobs walked into The Smoke Shop and he noticed them cashing in lottery

tickets," said Sheriff's Department chief investigator Marc Martin. "He recognized the guy as the one from surveillance video so he went over and encountered them."

Officers were looking for the driver of a dark Chevy Trail Blazer with a broken tail light after three stores were burglarized. The stores suffering break-ins were Country



ROGERS



WEST

Club Market on Manchester Highway, and Medley's Market and Wanamaker's Market, both on Beersheba Highway in the

Irving College area. The Medley's store in Viola was vandalized, but the suspects left before gaining entry.

The break-ins began around 3 a.m. Wednesday. Country Club Market was hit and had an estimated \$6,000 worth of lottery tickets stolen along with cigarettes.

At Medley's Market, an estimated \$400 worth of cigarettes was reported stolen.

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Lisa Hobbs photo

North Chancery Street's sidewalk is taking shape as McMinnville Public Works Department employees continue to take steps toward completion. With weather permitting, the pedestrian right of way should be complete next month.

A walk on the road side

North Chancery sidewalk nears completion

BY LISA HOBBS Reporter for the Southern Standard (McMinnville, Tennessee)

Pedestrians will soon be able to travel the length of N. Chancery Street on a sidewalk.

"Sidewalk construction is roughly 80 percent complete," said McMinnville Public Works Department assistant director Brad Hennessee. "Construction schedules are often altered this time of the year by weather and our crews are also

adjusting to meet the needs of the residents and businesses affected. We hope to finish within 30 days."

Once construction is complete and consistently warmer weather settles into the area, focus will turn to ADA compliance - with the addition of truncated dome pads or tiles that aid the visually impaired - and the necessary striping.

"Those are the only things we know we'll need at this point," said Hennessee. "The entire project will be reviewed when construction is

completed for anything pertaining to ADA that might have been missed."

The goal is to install a sidewalk from the bypass to the intersection of New Smithville Highway, Chancery, and Hobson streets.

City officials attempted to widen the street several years ago with a turning lane and sidewalk. However, that effort failed. Attention turned to installation of a sidewalk due to the amount of foot traffic with individuals walking to Walmart.



The school calendar for the 2018-19 school year has been released, see page 3A

Schools left with one snow day

BY DUANE SHERRILL Reporter for the Southern Standard (McMinnville, Tennessee)

Warren County Schools are down to one snow day after a pair of weather systems kept students home this year.

"Hopefully that will be all for bad weather this year," said Director of Schools Bobby Cox as he and the Board of Education hashed out their contingency plan in case weather again closes schools. "If something does happen, then we will have to take further action."

The first action, Cox said, should schools be closed for more than one day for weather or other circumstances, would be to convert a professional development day that is still unused. The school system, he explained, begins the year with 13 snow/professional development days, nine of which are normally dedicated to bad weather.

"I guess the first things we look at will be Presidents Day and Good Friday," Cox suggested, noting if the weather issue were to happen after mid-February when students get Presidents Day off, consideration would turn to Good Friday.

"We want to stay away from Spring Break," Cox said. "Lots of families have plans and trips so touching Spring Break would not be a popular thing to do."

Should the professional development day, Presidents Day and Good Friday all be consumed and more days missed, Cox suggested adding days to the end of the school year would likely be the best option. School Board chair James Bennett concurred. A former high school principal, Bennett pointed out using Saturdays as make-up days was very unpopular when it was done many years ago.



COX

Play offers new twists on classic fairy tales

BY JAMES CLARK Editor for the Southern Standard (McMinnville, Tennessee)

Will the slipper fit? Will Rapunzel let down her hair?

And what about those seven dwarfs?

These fairytales and more are the target of humor and wild twists this weekend in the fast-paced play "The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon."

The six-person, one-hour play is the second production from Warren Arts. Performances are scheduled this Friday at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 7:30 p.m., and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are still available.

The cast consists of Kirkland Sauer, Dalton Pack, Lucy McGee,



Dalton Pack drives to the Grand Canyon as the devil.

Ainsley Stefanick, Sami Burchfield and Robert Elam. They all play many roles, but Sauer is especially busy with 11 characters.

Traditional Grimm favorites such as "Cinderella," "Snow White," and "The Devil and His Grandmother" are retold like never before. The action is crisp and some lines are hilarious.

"I still laugh and I don't know how many times I've seen it," said assistant director Sheri Denning. "It's funny, but the way they deliver their lines and their comedic timing make it even better."

In one scene, Cinderella searches for her fairy godmother, only to be told she doesn't have one.

"Who is going to turn the pumpkin into a coach? How am I going to get to the ball?" asks Cinderella.

"You walk," the narrator responds.

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Ainsley Stefanick, left, plays Snow White with Sami Burchfield joining her as Prince Charming in "The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon." The play begins Friday at 605 Red Road.

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