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Wrench attack leads to attempted murder charge

By Sandi Mashburn

Authorities reported Wednesday afternoon that a local man had been arrested on charges of attempted first degree murder after allegedly entering a Fall River Road home and assaulting the resident with a wrench.

When Lawrenceburg Police officers answered the call around 1:00 p.m. they found that the victim, 28-year-old Jason Wil-

liams, had sustained head injuries and that the suspect had fled the scene.

Investigation revealed that Jason Alan Curtis, 31, of Park Street in Lawrenceburg, had entered the residence uninvited and hit Williams in the head with a wrench. Authorities said the altercation stemmed from an issue with a former girlfriend. A witness was able to place a 911 call and identify William's

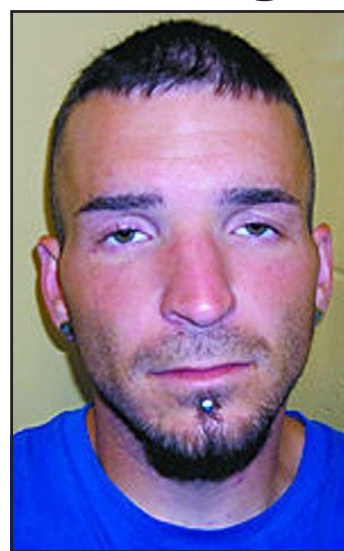
attacker. At the time information was released Williams had been transported to the local hospital for medical attention and his condition was unknown. He was reportedly conscious and speaking at the time of transport.

A search for Curtis was quickly launched. He was located a brief time later at his home. When they arrived, officers report that he was standing in the

doorway. He fled inside the home where he was found hiding inside a closet.

Curtis was booked through the Lawrence County Detention Center on charges of attempted first degree murder and especially aggravated burglary. He was incarcerated without bond.

Curtis will make an initial appearance in General Sessions Court on October 3, 2014.



JASON ALAN CURTIS

MIDDLE TENNESSEE DISTRICT FAIR WEEK



ARMBANDS for carnival rides are available Monday through Thursday, 5 p.m. until closing; on Friday (school day) 5 p.m. until closing; on Saturday 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. (Earlybird special - ride all day) and from 2 p.m. until closing; and on Sunday, 1 p.m. until closing. ~ HoJo photo

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

- Grand Opening of the new 4,600 seat arena and restroom complex. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony 6 p.m.
- Late Model Demolition Derby, First Heat 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

- Demolition Derby, First Heat 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

- Junk Car Jump and Run, First Race at 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

- MTFD Concert Series "David Nail" with special Guest Jacob Powell. Show starts at 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

- Farm Stock Tractor Pull, First pull at 12 noon.
- Truck and Tractor Pull, First pull at 6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

- ATV and Bike Motocross practice at 5 p.m., first race at 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

- Tough Truck Challenge, first race at 2 p.m.
- MTFD Give Away drawing at 4 p.m.

See the Wednesday, September 24 Advocate for photos of the 'Miss Fairest' beauty contests, held this weekend



SO MUCH TO SEE - At the 2013 Fair, above, Annelise Kennedy, Catherine Kennedy, and Claire Kennedy Methvin pose with the stars of the agricultural exhibits; below, the 2014 Master Gardener booth.

~top photo, Emily Weathers Kennedy, bottom photo, Sandi Pettus



Waxing nostalgic about the Fair

Special to the Advocate by Emily Weathers Kennedy

When the crisp, gentle breezes of September kiss your cheek, and the yellow leaves of the walnut trees drift down before their brethren even turn orange or red, you know it is coming. If you have lived in Lawrence County, you remember the anticipation of something that marks the changing of the season—besides football, that is. You once counted the days until that Friday in September when you would get a free day from school to ride the Scrambler and the Tilt-a-Whirl and eat a candied apple.

You got out of school just to go to the fair.

Might you catch a glimpse of a Lawrenceburg boy you have your eye on,

hoping he might ask you to ride the Ferris wheel or brave the darkness of the house of horrors? You wonder, will you and your best friend, Lynn, meet up with Sacred Heart girls to go to the freak show? After all, the St. Joe guys said they saw a two-headed calf and something in jars.

Nowadays, there is no freak show, thank goodness. But just about every other memory and tradition remains after 100+ years of the Middle Tennessee District Fair.


Though L.M. Forsythe is no longer around to make

his famous slaw and chili for the Loretto Lions Club booth, there are dedicated souls who work day and night for the week of the fair with their clubs and organizations to serve up some delicious fare.

There is no longer a talent contest, but that's okay, because my last memory of it involved my starting Kris Kristofferson's "Why Me Lord?" and forgetting the words. I crept to my mother's side in the bleachers and buried my face in her arm to hide my tears. But there is still the Miss Fair-

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