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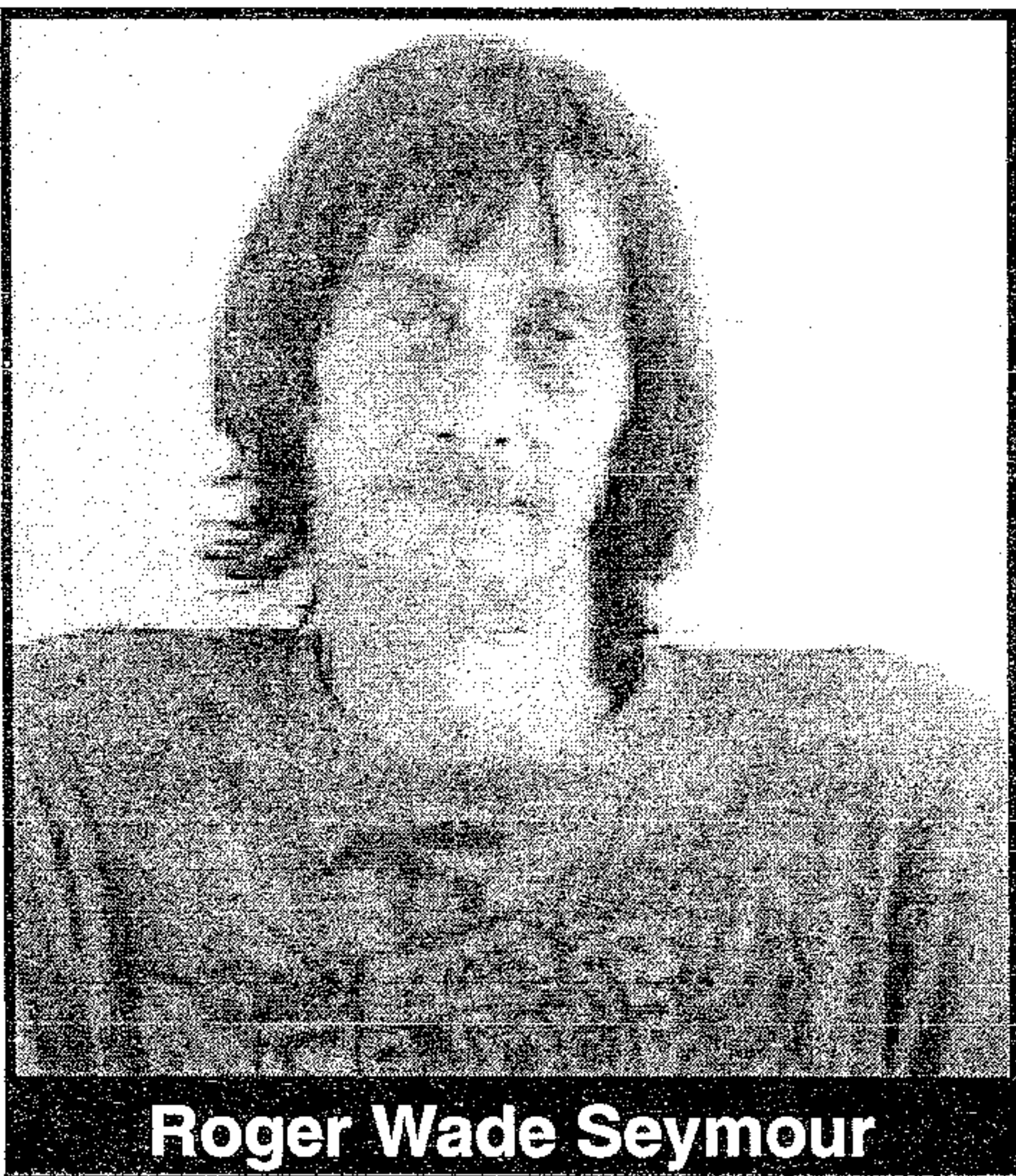
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Wednesday, June 2, 2010

LCSO-CID charges man with multiple vehicle theft More arrests expected

Detective Charles Cosner charged a Lenoir City man with the theft of several vehicles and the attempted larceny of another from a Greenback location after the man allegedly made a deal with a least one other person to haul them away for scrap.

Roger Wade
(see Seymour pg. 4)



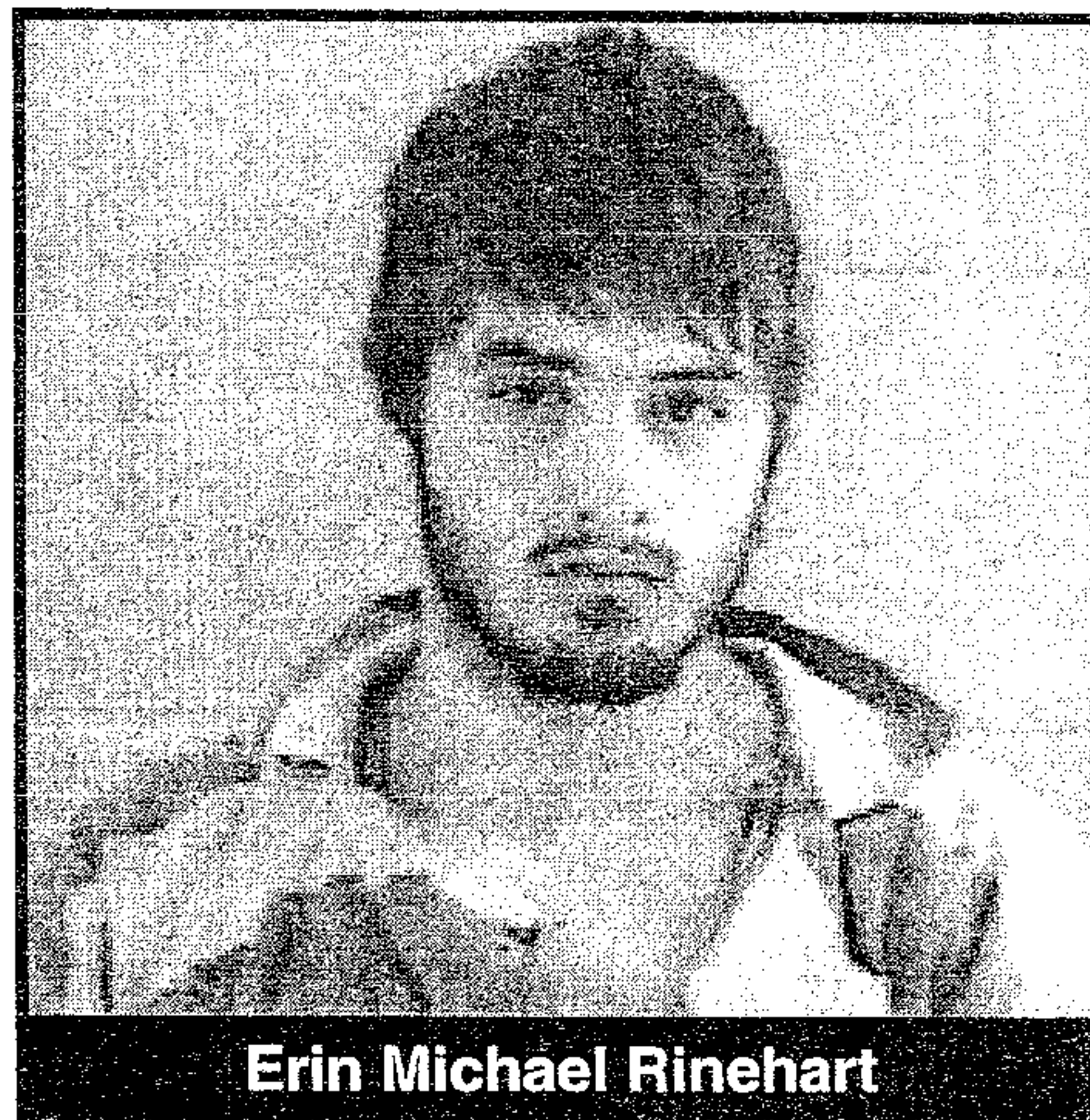
Roger Wade Seymour

Underage and off to jail

Bad attitude turns medical call into arrest

An underage drinker reportedly had a bad attitude when officials were dispatched to his residence when he injured himself. He is accused of being belligerent and of vandalizing county property after resisting arrest.

Erin Michael
(see Rinehart pg. 3)



Erin Michael Rinehart

Knoxville Man Arrested After Bomb Threat on I-75

NASHVILLE---Special Agent Matthew Minter of the Tennessee Highway Patrol, Criminal Investigations Division (CID) arrested a

Knoxville man Friday morning after he allegedly made a bomb threat phone call to a Knoxville couple on the evening of Monday, May 17.

(see Russell pg. 7)

2010 Public Deer Hunting Applications Available for the Milan Army Ammunition Plant in West Tennessee

MILAN, Tenn. --- The Milan Army Ammunition Plant is now accepting applications for a public hunt

drawing for deer seasons (archery, muzzleloader and gun). The area is located in Gibson County, just east of

(see Applications pg. 4)

Mom calls police to calm grown son

A local woman called authorities Friday to help her with her grown son who reportedly told officers the situation would escalate as soon as they left the

property.

Caleb Andrew Wilkerson, 27, Corinth Church Road, Loudon was charged Friday with public intoxication.

According to records,
(see Wilkerson pg. 8)

Fishing with Gus

Oh my goodness, what a mess we had to clean up! Coonfoot called the Heating & Air shop last week to see if I had any fans him and

Sven could borrow. Seems the old black bear that has been gallivantin around the countryside made its way up to Toads farm and had a

(see Gus pg. 3)

Verse of the day

Rejoice evermore.
Pray without ceasing.
In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Obituaries

Samuel Otha Petty

Wazzup

You were mesmerizing in the pulpit, Pastor Sam Petty, and a truly good man who touched so very many lives. You will be greatly missed...

Weather:

Today: A mix of clouds and sun with the chance of an isolated thunderstorm in the afternoon. Warm. High 88. Chance of rain 30%.
Tonight: Isolated thunderstorms during the evening,

then mainly cloudy overnight. Low 68. Chance of rain 30%.

(see More pg. 2)



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Wilson

Rinehart, 20, Bird Road, Lenoir City was charged with underage consumption, resisting arrest and vandalism.

According to reports, Friday around 12:17 AM, Deputy Charles Butler, LCSO was dispatched to a medical call on Mealer Road in reference to a 20 year old intoxicated male who had cut his arm and

upon arrival met the injured man, Erin M. Rinehart.

Rinehart was very irate, smelled of alcohol, had red bloodshot eyes and slurred speech. When asked what happened, Rinehart stated, "Don't worry bout it." When asked how much he had to drink, he stated, "None, Piggy Boy."

EMS arrived and walked Rinehart to their unit for treat-

ment but when they began to treat him, he became combative and stated, "Don't touch me."

Deputy Butler advised Mr. Rinehart to calm down and let them treat him and he reportedly stated, "Take me to jail Piggy Boy."

Deputy Butler placed him under arrest and when he attempted to place cuffs on him, Rinehart

pulled away and resisted being cuffed.

One Rinehart was cuffed, he was escorted him to the patrol car and placed in the back seat.

Rinehart reportedly became combative again and kicked the back window out of the cruiser.

Gus

field day in our chum stock pile.

Now, chum ferments with age and it seems that old black bear had fallen off the wagon, ate almost a whole barrel of the intoxicating stuff and apparently got drunk as a skunk. Then he broke into the barn and raided Coonfoot's Twinkies stash.

I showed up with the fans and boy was they ever needed! With the weather heating up, that chum had entered its toxic stage and the smell could re-

vive the dead, so we fired up the fans and started the hose down process, which took the better part of the day.

Later that night the bear showed up in Tellico Village and was apprehended by TWRA Officer Anthony Chitwood.

This just goes to show you that it don't matter who or what you are, if out roaming around in Loudon County drunk, you're going to end up behind bars.

-Gus

Police Beat

Roberto Lopez Herrera, 22, F Street, Lenoir City was charged Saturday with driving without a license.

According to reports, Deputy Brian Smith, LCSO observed a green Dodge Caravan traveling 61 mph in a 45 mph zone and stopped the vehicle at Steekee Road and Highway 72.

Mr. Herrera stated he didn't have a drivers license and a check through NCIC by name and date of birth confirmed Herrera didn't have one.



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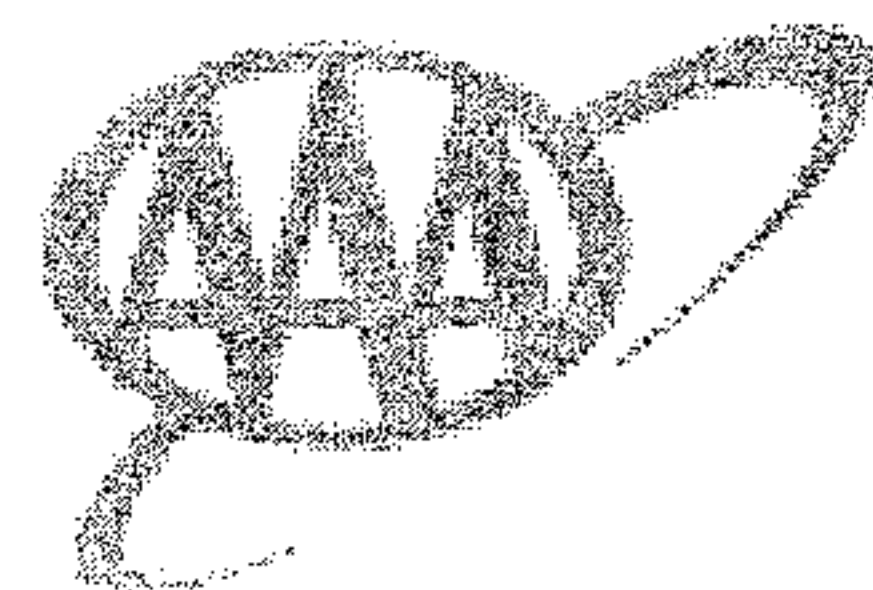
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Obituaries

Samuel Otha Petty - age 85 of Lenoir City passed away Monday, May 31, 2010. He pastored churches for 43 years including, Murray's Baptist Church in Sweetwater, West Broadway Baptist Church, Antioch Baptist Church, Silver Ridge Baptist Church and Cornerstone Baptist Church in Lenoir City. Sam had also worked at ALCOA, Wilburn's Hardware, Bacon's Machine Shop and the railroad. He was a veteran of W. W. II serving in the Army. Preceded in death by his wife, Thelma Dyer Petty; parents, James F. Petty and Vernie Dunn Petty; brothers, Richard, Alec, Bob, Bill, Dennis, Luther and Eddie Petty; sisters, Carrie Turpin, Ruby Johnson and Zel-

ma Bivens. Survived by his sons and daughters-in-law, Charles and Jean Petty of Loudon, Ray and Diana Petty of Johnson City, Don and Teresa Petty, Luther and Trudy Petty all of Lenoir City; grandchildren, Mark Petty and wife, Janet, Wendi Selvage and husband, Steve, Jaime Chapman, Christy Petty, Chad Petty, Bradley Petty, Shawn Petty, Cody Petty, and Megan Petty; great grandchildren, Brianna Chapman, Kaleb Selvidge and Makayla Chapman; several nieces and nephews; and special friend, Polly Shell. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday at West Broadway Baptist Church. Funeral services will follow at 7 p.m.

with Rev. Tony Collins and Rev. Teddy Clowers officiating. Family and friends will gather at the funeral home by 10:30 a.m. Friday and proceed to Loudon Co. Memorial Gardens for graveside services at 11 a.m. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Seymour

Seymour, 44, East Coast Tellico Parkway, Lenoir City, was charged with theft over \$1000 and attempted theft over \$1000.

The report states, on or about May 25th, 2010, Mr. Roger W. Seymour did take a total of three vehicles and attempted to take a fourth from Chihowee Avenue in Greenback. Mr. Seymour did not have permis-

sion from the owner to remove them from the property.

The vehicles were identified as a 1975 Ford F-100, a Ford F-150, a 1981 Toyota truck and a 1988 Chevy Van containing several tools. The value of the vehicles and tools was more than \$1000.

Mr. Seymour and another man had arranged with a tow truck driver to meet at the residence to remove the vehicles and take them to Lankford's Salvage Yard where they were sold for profit.

More arrests are forthcoming.

Detective Cosner is in charge of the case.

Applications

the town of Milan.

Deadline to apply is June 10, 2010. Sportsmen should visit the following Web site for application instructions: www.milanarsenal-hunting.com

For questions, contact Peggy at the Natural Resource Office of MAAP at telephone (731) 686-6682. Office hours are 6 a.m.-4-30 p.m., Monday-Thursday.

Police Beat

Michael Lynn Scott, 35, Scott Street, Philadelphia, was charged with failure to pay fines (theft under \$500).

Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD, made the arrest at City Court Wednesday.

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Bald Eagles Are Topic for June's Nature @ Noontime

NASHVILLE --- Bald eagles will be the topic for the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency's Nature @ Noontime June presentation from 12-1 p.m. on Thursday, June 3. The monthly program is held at the TWRA Region II conference room and is located in the Ellington Agricultural Center.

Bob Hatcher, retired TWRA Endangered Species Coordinator, will be the featured presenter. Now with the American Eagle Foundation as eagle consultant and correspondent, Hatcher has been a lifetime leader in restoring the bald and golden eagle populations in Tennessee.

Thanks to species protection measures and the banning of DDT, the bald eagle population recovered from a low of only 417 breeding pairs in the United States in 1963 to an estimated 10,000 nesting

pairs in 2007. The decline in population was a result of habitat destruction, illegal shooting and thinning of egg shells due to DDT. This year the number of breeding pairs in Tennessee is 140.

Hosted by TWRA's Information and Education Division and held on the first Thursday of each month, except July, Nature @ Noontime presentations are about natural resource related topics. The programs last about 30-45 minutes, allowing time for discussion during the allotted lunch hour.

April 2010 County Unemployment Rates

Rates Decrease in 89 Counties, Increase in 3, Remain the Same in 3

NASHVILLE - Tennessee's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for April 2010 was 10.5 percent, down from the March rate of 10.6 percent.

The United States unemployment rate for the month of April was 9.9 percent.

County non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rates for April 2010, released today, show that the rate decreased in 89 counties, increased in three counties and remained the same in three counties.

Lincoln County registered the state's lowest county unemployment rate at 7.1 percent, down from 7.4 percent in March. Scott County had the state's highest unemployment rate at 20.3 percent, up from 19.8 in March, followed by Marshall County at 17.3 percent, down from 18.4 percent in March.

Knox County had the state's lowest major metropolitan rate of 8.2 percent, unchanged from March. Davidson County was 9.0 percent, down from 9.1 in March. Hamilton County was at 9.0 percent, down from 9.4 in March, and Shelby County was 10.3 percent, down from 10.5

in March.

NOTE: Information will be available on the Internet; enter <http://www.tennessee.gov/labor-wfd/labor-figures/april2010county.pdf>

Police Beat

Timothy George Graves, 51, and Donna Lou Phillips, 47, Jackson Bend Road, Lenoir City were charged Thursday with domestic assault.

According to reports, Deputy Michael Watkins, LCSO responded to a domestic violence call at a residence on Jackson Bend Road and met

with Ms. Phillips. Ms. Phillips stated she and Graves got into an argument over money.

The couple reportedly then became physically combative towards each other, leaving visible signs on each.

According to the officer's report, Ms. Phillips and Mr. Graves were both under the influence of alcohol and he was unable to determine the primary aggressor so they both went to jail.

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Russell

Detective Mike Lawson of the Knoxville City Police Department also assisted in the case.

CID Investigators allege 21-year old Travis Scott Russell called the couple while they were driving, and stated there was an explosive device under their vehicle. Russell continued to explain that the bomb would

detonate if the car speed dropped below 50 miles per hour. The couple along with their two small children traveled approximately 85 miles from Knoxville, Tennessee to Cleveland, Tennessee on Interstate-75 for fear the car might explode. The vehicle was followed by THP and law enforcement officers from multiple agencies until the couple

were safely stopped on I-75 south near the 20 mile marker. No bomb was found.

Investigators revealed Russell disguised his voice and altered the cell phone number that appeared on the caller ID by using a "cell phone spoof" application. Special Agent Minter searched the phone records and determined that Russell placed the calls.

Russell was booked into the Knox County Jail and has been charged with a Class C felony. His first court appearance will be within 10 days of the arrest date in Knoxville.

Police Beat

Dustin Lee Webster, 24, Paw Paw Plains

For Sale: Craftsman HD Garden Tractor, 44" cut, 6 sp, 18 h.p. Kohler Magnum. \$750 obo. Used very little. 865-458-6820

Road, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Corporal Angi Martin, LCSO made the arrest Friday.

Dennis R. Bowman, 45, Mount Vernon, Kentucky was charged Saturday, with public intoxication.

According to reports, while on patrol of Highway 321 at the Interstate 75 ramp Officer Rick Eubanks, LCPD was checking transients and discovered Mr. Bowman. He had an odor of an alcoholic beverage

about his breath and body and was unsteady on his feet.

Mr. Bowman was unable to perform field sobriety tasks. NCIC found he was wanted by Calhoun, Georgia and authorities there placed a hold on him.

James Anthony 'Beau' Cuthbert, 29, Marion Street, Knoxville was charged Friday with failure to appear.

Deputy Dustin Langley, LCSO made the arrest at the Knox County Jail.

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Memorial Day

Corporal Ernie Brown, LCSO was dispatched to a report of a domestic disturbance on Corinth Church Road and arrived to find a woman who said her son, Caleb Wilkerson, had been drunk and violent. She would not give the lawman information for a domestic violence report and said she just wanted Caleb to settle down. Corporal Brown found Wilkerson in the backyard drinking a can of beer and noticed he was very unsteady on his feet.

Wilkerson refused to go inside and advised things would escalate as soon as

law enforcement left. For the safety of his, Wilkerson was placed into custody.

Police Beat

Tremon Antonio Hall, 25, Aqua Street, Athens was charged with failure to appear.

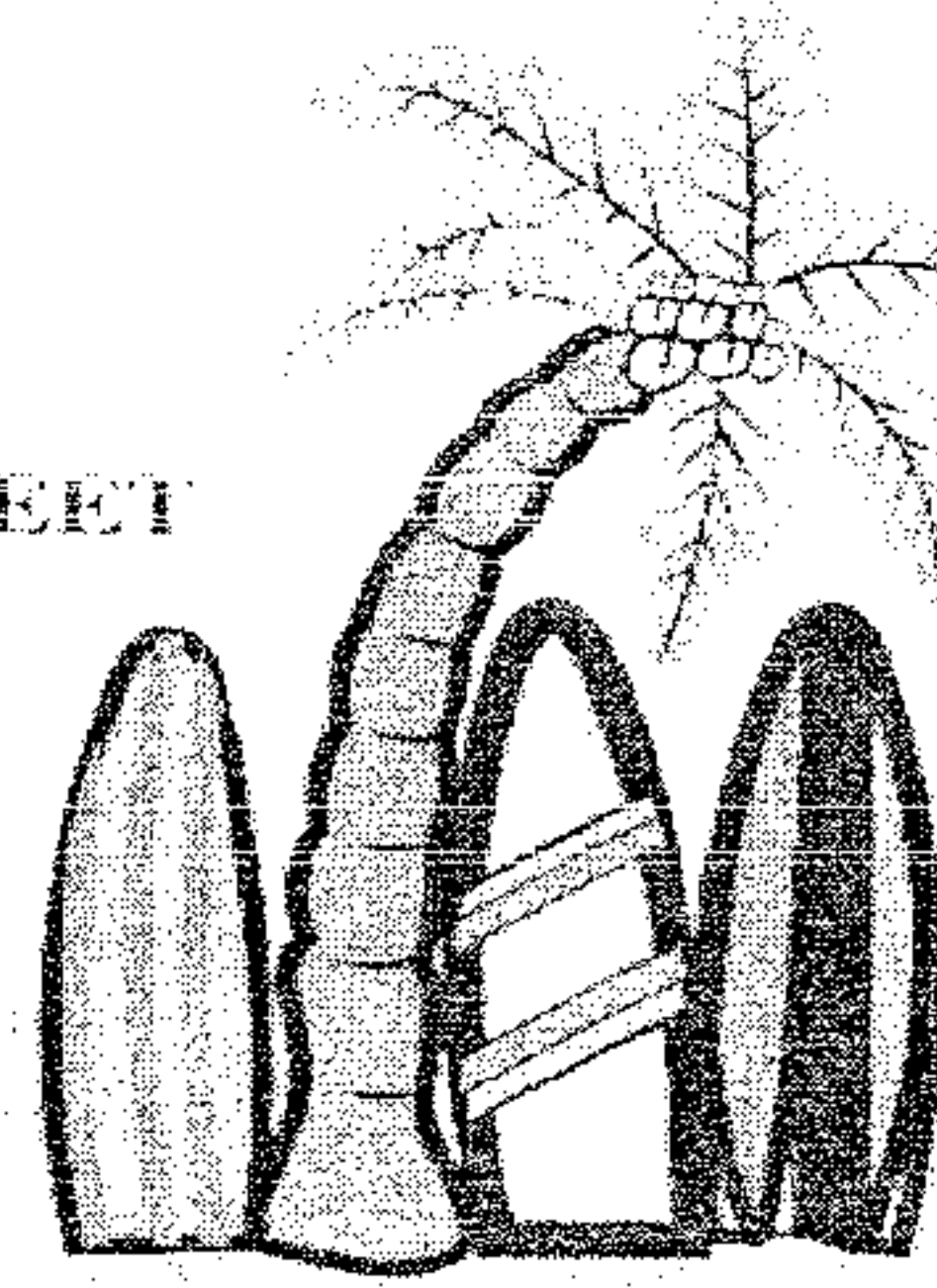
Deputy Dustin Langley, LCSO arrested Hall at the McMinn County Jail, Friday.

Martha June Mills, 24, Old Spears Road, Lenoir City was charged Friday with violation of probation.

Deputy Terisa Julian, LCSO made the arrest.

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