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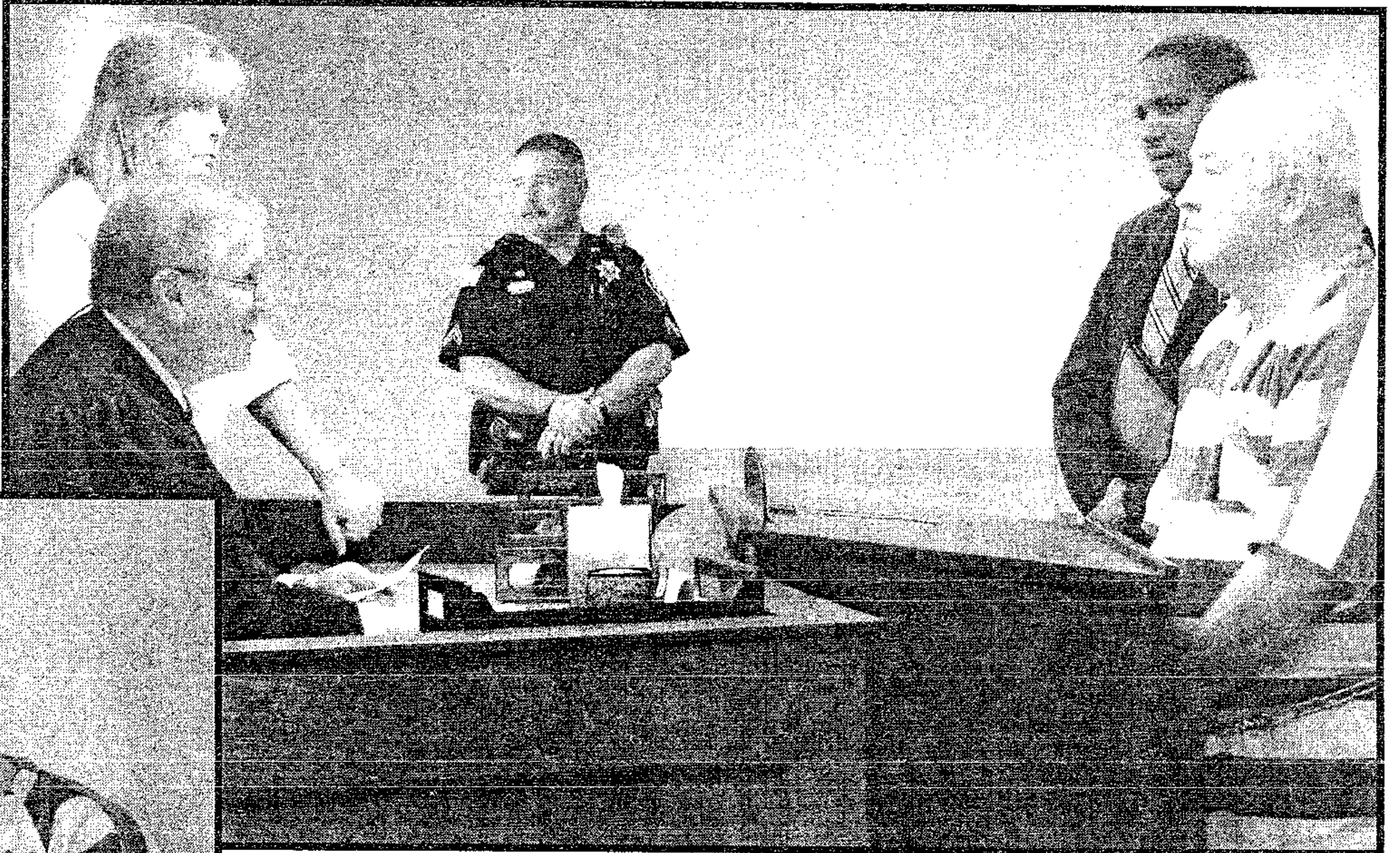
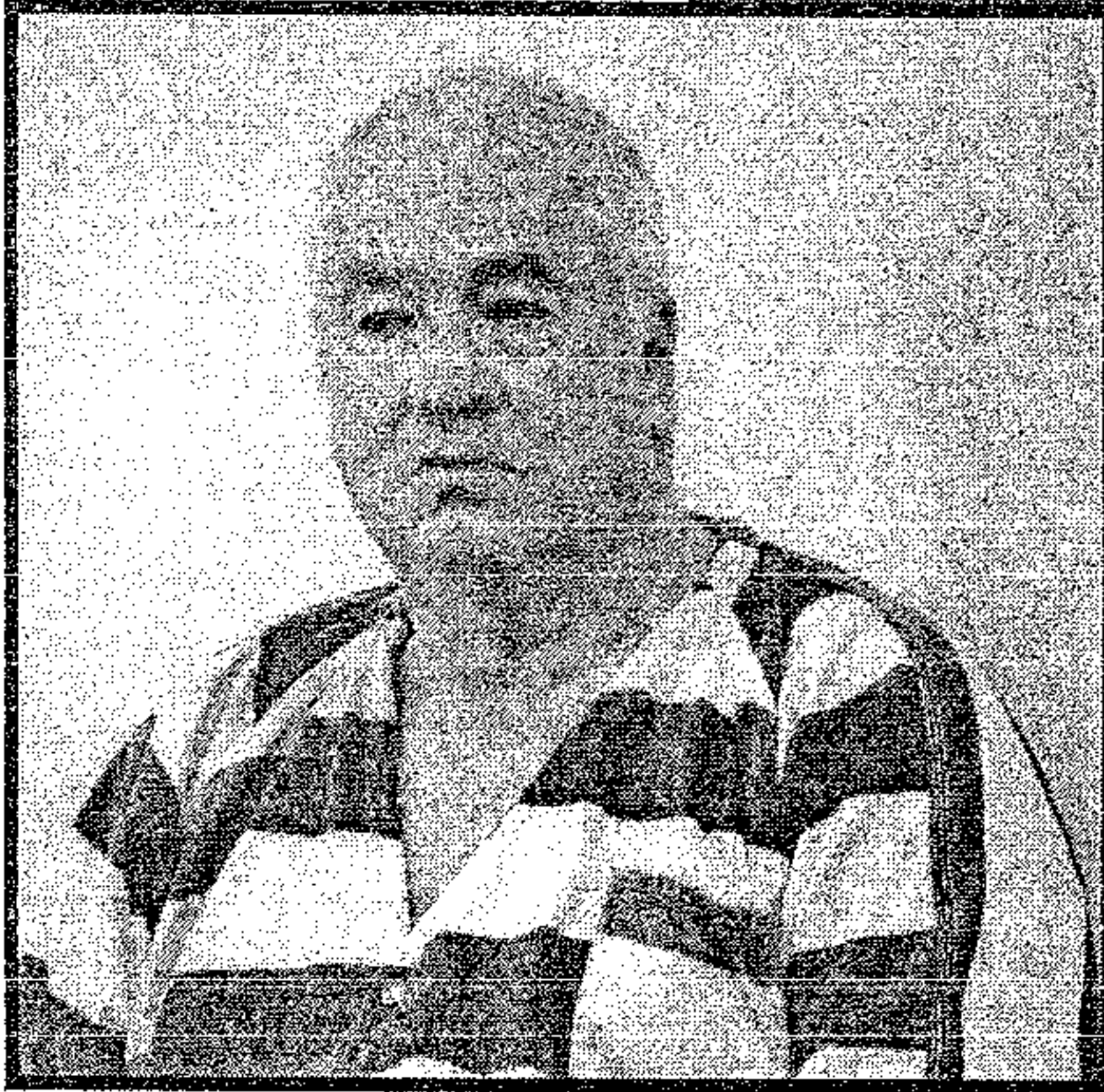
Thursday, September 30, 2010

## LCSO Investigators Charge Former Business Partner with 1st Degree Murder of Village Man

During a press conference Wednesday afternoon, investigators with the Loudon County Sheriff's Office revealed they have charged the former business partner of a Tellico Village man with his murder after he was found sitting in his wheelchair inside his home with multiple gunshot wounds.

On September 23, 2010 just after 5pm Loudon County Sheriff's Officer Investigator Patrick Upton was dispatched to

139 Cheeskagili Way in Tellico Village to investigate a homicide. The victim was identified as Ron Kronholm, age 79 and he was found confined to a wheelchair between the kitchen and living room area. Mr. Kronholm suffered multiple gunshot



Above: John Lee Nevans, front right, stands next to Lt. Detective Patrick Upton as he faces Judge Rex Dale during his arraignment in General Sessions Court Wednesday morning after being charged with the first degree murder of former business partner Ron Kronholm; photo left: John Lee Nevans (see Murder pg. 3)

### Woman sets mom's hair on fire, jailed

A Lenoir City woman is accused of setting her mother's hair on fire and breaking her sister's glasses during a domestic fight at her residence Friday (see Cortes pg. 6)



Cortes

### Theft & forgery of check

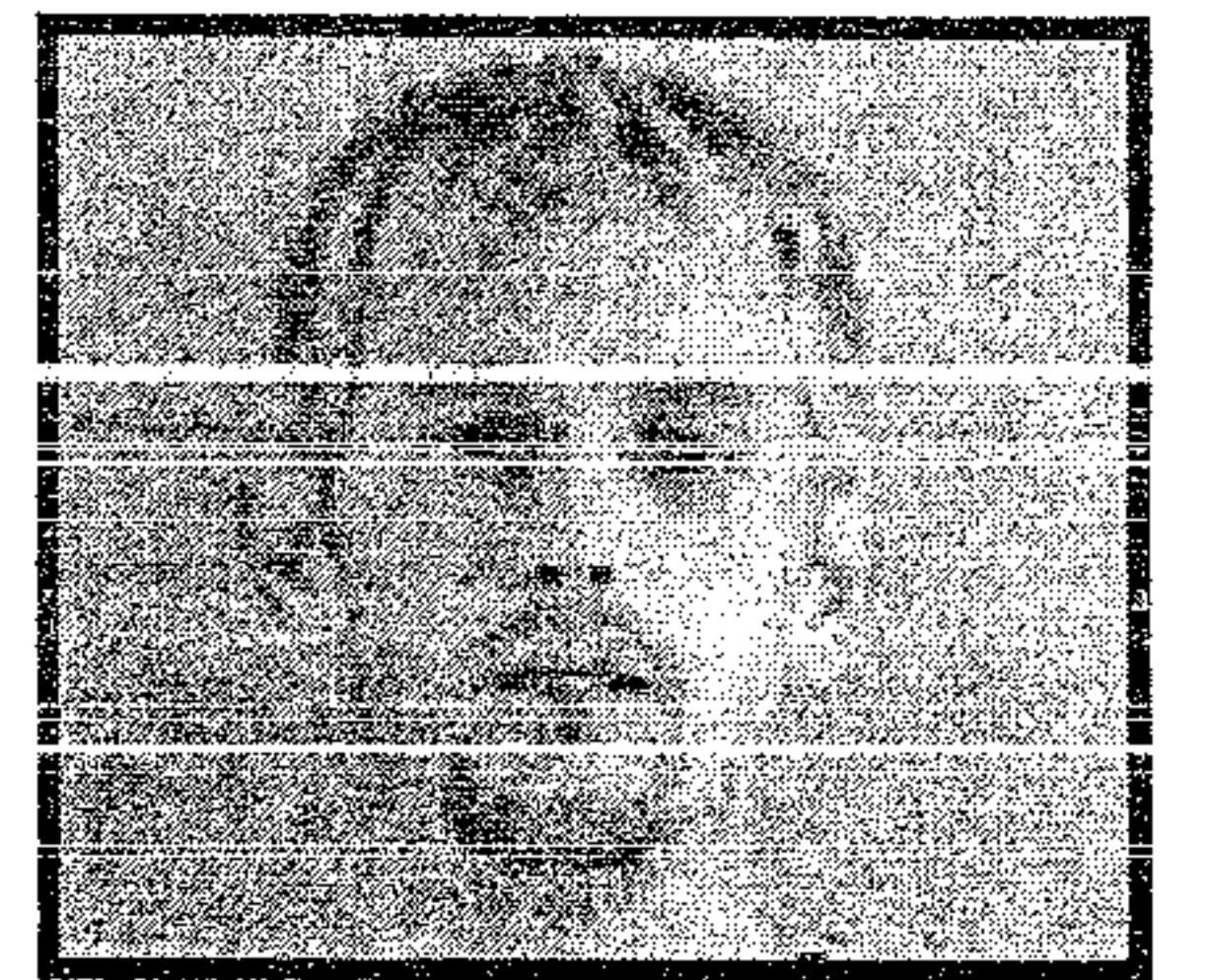
Detective Jonathan Sartin charged a Rockwood woman with forging another woman's check for over \$700 at a Lenoir City shopping giant earlier this year.

Beverly Ann Robinson (see Robinson pg. 7)



Robinson

### Contraband not allowed (see pg. 4)



Langley

### Verse of the Day

I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life,

that both thou and thy seed may live.

Deuteronomy 30:19

### Obituaries

Emma Mae Bradshaw  
Walden  
Richard Allen Turpin  
Ronald Kronholm

### Wazzup

Happy belated Birthday to Butch Russell from the Daily Edition gang!

Happy Birthday to Floyd McKinney - we love you, Pop!

From our never ending

projects, to evening talks over yummy kitchen morsels, and spoiling your little white buddy named Brown, we're sure going to miss you, Harold "Howard" Hopkins....

### Weather

Today: A shower or two possible early with partly cloudy skies in the afternoon. High 74. Chance of rain 30%.

Tonight: Partly cloudy. (see More pg. 2)



**Murder**

wounds that were consistent with a shotgun.

On Wednesday, Sep-

tember 29 just after 11am, a former business partner of the victim, John Lee Nevans, was charged with

first-degree murder and is currently under no bond in the Loudon County Jail.

According to investigators, Nevans had informed others he as unhappy with Mr. Kronholm because he was losing money on property. The same day of the homicide Mr. Nevans was in Loudon during the same time period of events and had also told at least one person not to give his real time of arrival at his residence in Dayton, TN.

Video evidence at the Hwy 72 Deli in Loudon

on the day of the homicide showed Nevans inside the store with tennis shoes on, blue jeans and button shirt. On further investigation of the clothing, Mr. Nevans advised that brown leather shoes is what he had on during that time and did arrive home in Dayton with leather shoes on. The two tennis shoes have not been located by any search or given to investigators by Nevans. Blood was also found on clothing Nevans was wearing including his pants below his knees which was consistent with blood splatter from the crime scene. Some blood was also found in the trunk that Nevans could not explain.


Upon interviewing Mr. Nevans several statements were made that were inconsistent and he also advised the victim had taken him for about \$300,000. Maroon paint was found on Nevans white pickup what was consistent with the color of Kronholms van that also had white paint transfer on it. A shot-

gun that at one time belonged to Nevans and had been taken by his son cannot be located. There has been no police report filed from Nevans or his son about the gun being stolen or taken in a burglary.

Prior to being arrested or accused of the crime Nevans reportedly told his wife he wanted to go to South America and she refused to go. Nevans advised the reason he was in Loudon County on September 23rd was for some unfinished business with the real estate company. However, interview with the company employees advised they had no more business with Nevans and they did not need him to come to Loudon County for any reason.

John Lee Nevans, 67, of 330 Highland Drive, Dayton, TN was charged with first-degree murder. He was arraigned in General Sessions Court by Judge Rex Dale and is scheduled for a preliminary hearing on October 6, 2010 at 9am in General Sessions Court.

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## Contraband not allowed

Travis Blake Langley, 26, Vonore Road, Loudon, was charged with introduction of contraband into a county institution.

According to reports, Friday, at approximately 7:30 am, Deputy Charles Huskin, LCSO, searched inmate Travis Langley after his shower and found what appeared to be a green leafy substance believed to be marijuana weighing 1.7 grams, stuffed down in a pair of socks in his waistband.

### Police Beat

Romaine B. Clabough, 53, Harvey Road, Knoxville was charged with driving on suspended license, failure to yield

and financial responsibility. According to records, Thursday, around 9:07 AM, Officer Dennis Guider, LCPD stopped Ms. Clabough's maroon Ford Windstar for failure to yield at the stop sign on Depot Street and Grand when she pulled out in front of the officer causing him to brake to avoid hitting her.

A check of Clabough's license came back suspended for failure to satisfy a citation out of Knox County in June of 2004.

Shawn Dewayne Bunch, 30, Highway 68, Tellico Plains was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Lonnie Gaut, LCSO made the arrest Saturday at the Monroe County Jail.

## 7th Annual Deputy Jason Scott Memorial Bike Ride

Saturday, October 2, 2010 the ride will begin at 11am. Registration is from 9:30-10:30am. Entry fee \$20 per bike includes lunch. This years ride will benefit 2 1/2 year old Adyson Cosner, recently diagnosed with Leukemia. Adyson is the daughter of Charlie and Misty Cosner of Loudon. For info call Jimmy Scott home (865) 458-0471 or cell (865) 556-7534.



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**Police Beat**

Kevin Edward Cress, 27, Corinth Church Road, Loudon, was

charged with driving on revoked license 4th offense, possession of schedule II roxicodone

and possession of schedule VI marijuana.

According to records, Officer Blake Norman, LPD observed a black Saturn Thursday traveling south on Steekee

Street. He identified the driver as Kevin Cress and to his knowledge, the man's driver's license was revoked in the state of Tennessee for driving under the influence.

Officer Norman stopped the Saturn on Ferry Street and ran Cress through Loudon County 911 Center and when his license came back revoked he was placed under arrest.

While the officer was talking with the passenger in the vehicle, he noticed a small green pill

in the driver's seat identified as 15 mg, roxicodone. Mr. Cress advised it was his medication and he didn't have a prescription for it.

Officer Norman then asked the passenger if there was anything else in the Saturn and she stated she had a small bag of marijuana in her bra. She said Mr. Cress had given it to her to hold when they got stopped. Mr. Cress also claimed ownership of the marijuana.

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Auction will be held at the following:

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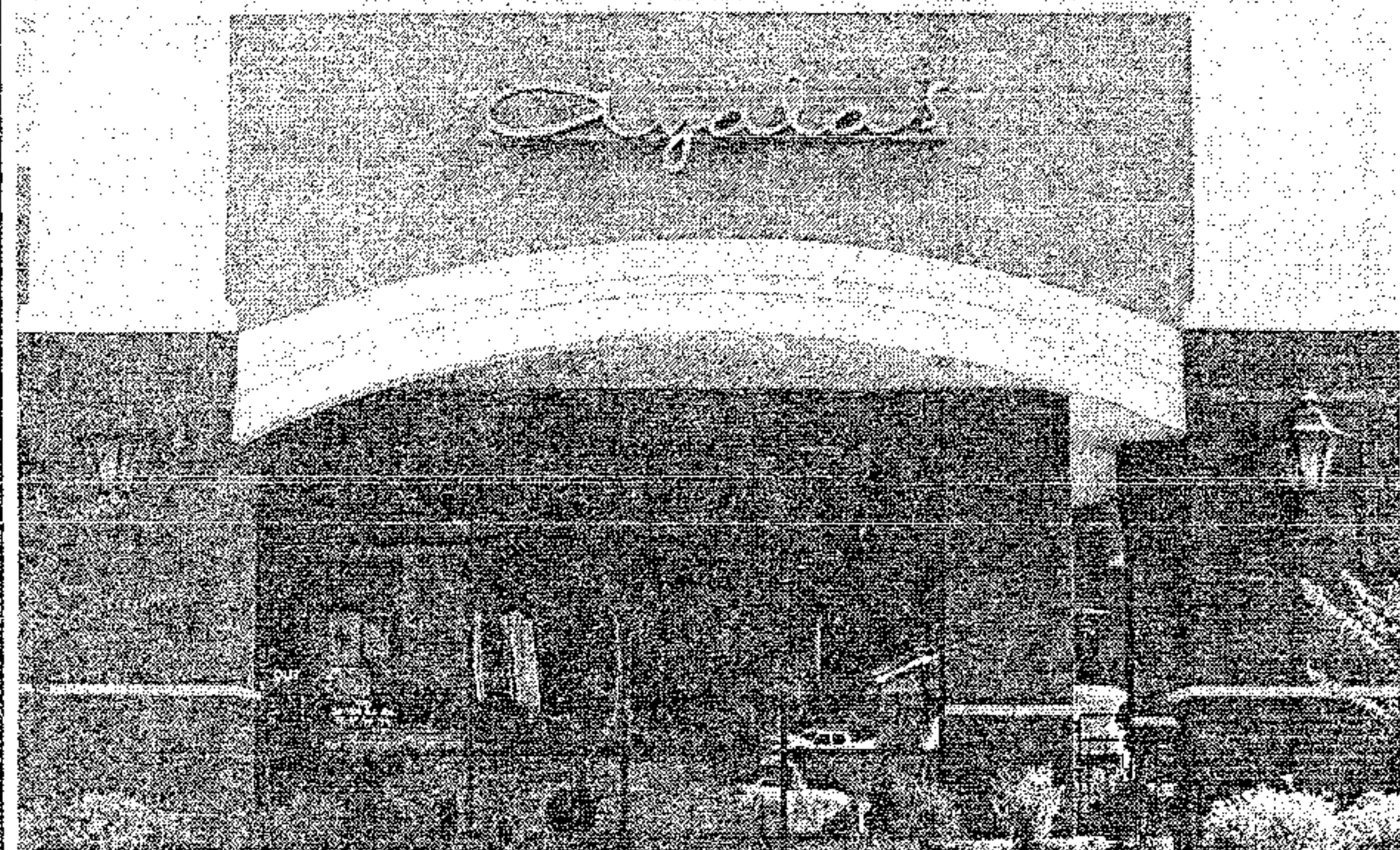
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**Cortes**

morning.

Leticia Cortes, 24, West Hills Drive, Lenoir City was charged Friday with aggravated assault domestic.

According to reports, LCPD Officers were dispatched to Cortes's residence on West Hills Drive in reference to Leticia Cortes getting into some kind of domestic fight with her mother.

Records indicate Cortes caught her mother's hair on fire with a cigarette lighter and assaulted her sister about the face, breaking her glasses. She was placed under arrest after being deemed the primary aggressor and transported

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to jail.

Patrolman Rick Eubanks, LCPD, made the arrest.

**No License**

Luis Cruz Rodriguez, 21, address unknown, was charged with driving with no license.

The report states, around 10:25 PM, Sunday, Sgt. Joe Foster,

LCPD received a call from dispatch in reference to a reckless driver coming into town on the west end. Sgt. Foster made contact with the black Mustang around E Street and stopped it in front of Roane State.

The driver, Mr. Rodriguez stated he had no license. A check through NCIC came back unlicensed.

**Police Beat**

Matthew Chad Berry, 27, Loudon Ridge

Road, Lenoir City was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Brad Rayfield, LCSO made the arrest Friday.

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## Obituaries

**Emma Mae Bradshaw Walden** - 59 of Loudon, passed away at her home Tuesday September 28, 2010. Mae was an employee of Monterey Mushrooms and preceded in death by parents, Joe & Becky Early Bradshaw. Survivors: husband, Benny Walden; 3 step children, John & Sherry Walden, Charles & Michelle Walden, Loudon, Robbie Walden, Alabama; 6 grandchildren; 3 great grandchildren; brothers, Tom Bradshaw & Pat and Leo Bradshaw & Beverly, Loudon; sisters, Jo Ann Beaty, Loudon & Cleo Emerson, Sweetwater; special thanks to a niece, Dawn Roy, Loudon. Funeral services 7 p.m. Thursday Loudon Funeral Home Chapel. Chaplain Mike Justice officiating. Interment 10 a.m. Friday Prospect Cemetery. Visitation 5-7 p.m. Thursday Loudon Funeral Home. [www.loudonfuneral-home.net](http://www.loudonfuneral-home.net)

**Richard Allen Turpin**, age 49, of Loudon, formerly of Madisonville, passed away Monday, September 27, 2010 at his home. He was preceded in death by parents, James Garlan and Margaret Imogene Collins Turpin. Survivors:

son, Jake Turpin; brother, Davin Turpin; mother of his son, Martie Turpin, all of Madisonville; several aunts, uncles and cousins. Arrangements by Biereley-Hale Funeral Home, Madisonville.

**Ronald Kronholm**, of Tellico Village, TN passed away September 23, 2010. Ron was born July 20, 1931 in Saxon, WI. He was preceded in death by his parents, Uno and Lillian Kronholm and brother-in-law, Art Taylor. He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Susie Sneed Kronholm, daughter, Lorene Buchman, or Kansas City, MO, son, David Kronholm and his wife Halley of Pine Plains, NY, sister Jean Taylor of Clintonville, WI, granddaughters, Stacie and Abbie of Kansas City, MO, loving father-in-law, Ray Sneed of Dayton, TN, and sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law Jim and Shirley McMichael, Jane Price, Tommy and Rowena Sneed, Charlie and Fayrene Qualls, Terry and Andrea Barnes, many nieces and nephews, special friends Tom and Marsha Vrabec of Barrington, IL and more friends and neighbors than can be counted. Ron served four years in the US Army, having fought in the Korean War. He

was a prominent residential builder in south Florida for many years. After retiring and returning to Tennessee in 1990, Ron built the We Care Center, charitable foundation in Dayton, TN, which was named for him, The Kronholm Building. He relocated to Tellico Village and continued building custom and spec homes, building over 100 homes, as well as Tellico Pointe, shopping plaza. For most of his time in the village, he was recognized by all who saw him drive from building site to site with his beloved dog, Gypsy. He was a quiet and gentle man who was loved by all who knew him. A Celebration of Life will be held on Wednesday, September 29, 2010 at 3 p.m. at the Click Funeral Home Tellico Village Chapel, 145 Chota Center, Tellico Village. The family will receive friends immediately following. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Muscular Dystrophy Association, 6408 Papermill Road, Suite 230, Knoxville, TN or the Loudon County Animal Shelter, 250 Jamie Drive, Loudon, TN 37774. Click Funeral Home & Cremations Tellico Village Chapel is serving the family of Ronald Kronholm.

## Robinson

son, 26, Evans Heights, Rockwood, was charged with forgery and theft over \$500.

According to the affidavit, filed by Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD, on or about April 19th, 2010, Ms. Robinson took a check belonging to Ms. Nancy Soto of Knoxville to Walmart, Highway 321, Lenoir City, and passed it, knowing it was not good.

Soto said she did not give anyone permission to use her account information. The check had been made out to Ms. Robinson and she has been identified through video as the person passing the check.

Ms. Robinson received \$784.17 from the forged check that she

cashied. Deputy Nathan Wilson, LCSO made the arrest at the Roane County Jail.

## Police Beat

William Anthoney Hout Jr., 27, Rock Springs Road, Lenoir City, was charged with public intoxication and possession of schedule IV.

According to reports, around 11:12 PM, Thursday, Sgt. Joe Foster, LCPD pulled into the parking lot at the Pilot on East Broadway where Mr. Hout was staggering in the middle of the parking lot. The sgt. spoke to Mr. Hout and noticed he was slurring his words and staggering all over the lot.

Hout was unable to do field sobriety tasks and was placed under arrest. Once at the jail a pat down was performed and a small plastic bag containing part of an orange pill and 2 halves of a white pill (diazepam) were found in Mr. Hout's pocket.

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