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Tuesday, February 8, 2011

More than \$23,000 cash, 7+ pounds marijuana, weapons, more seized in Philadelphia

Investigators confiscated a number of weapons from Murrill, including a 7.7 x 28mm rifle

Seized: more than \$23,000



Murrill

Officials reported finding marijuana, digital scales, plastic baggies, and other paraphernalia at Murrill's home

Lap tops missing from school

Authorities were called to Greenback School Wednesday when two mini laptop computers were discovered missing from the library.

According to records, the principal of Greenback School, Mr. Joey Breedlove, spoke with Deputy T.J. Scarbrough, LCSO Wednesday, and stated they had one of

(see Missing pg. 6)

It's too late once the blue lights come on

An unlicensed driver reportedly tried to put his seat belt on after one deputy stopped his vehicle because he wasn't wearing it and another

(see Too Late pg. 3)

Unattended vehicle broken into

A Loudon man called authorities when he reportedly left his vehicle unattended at a closed business during the wee

hours of the morning Thursday and returned to find someone had broken into it and stolen his tools and medicine.

(see Vehicle pg. 4)

Verse of the Day

"Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered."

Hebrews 5:8

Obituaries

None

Wazzup

Great stuffed mushrooms, 5 layer dip and chocolate chip cookies Dan & Ricki - yummy!

T'was a most awe-

some smoked ham and turkey, Ronnie M. - but remember to always check in the bird's neck for the giblet bag before cooking! (Hee, hee, hee.....)

You did the right

thing, Sharkman; in this day and age any suspicious item might require a call to 911!

Weather

Today: Snow flurries early. Then partly cloudy in the afternoon. High 38.

Winds NW at 5 to 10 mph.

Tonight: Mainly clear skies. Low 23. Winds NNE at 5 to 10 mph.

Wednesday: Considerable cloudiness. Highs in

(see More pg. 2)

Too Late

responding officer saw his ill-fated attempt to buckle up when he came to a stop.

Alberto Lopez, 30, West 3rd Avenue, Lenoir City was charged Tuesday with driving without a license.

According to records, Deputy Rondel M. Branam, LCSO noticed the driver of a black Isuzu Rodeo not wearing his seat belt while traveling north on North Shore Drive. He stopped the vehicle in a driveway on Northshore.

At the time of the stop, Deputy Charlie Huskin, LCSO

witnessed the driver attempt to put his seat belt on. He was identified as Alberto Lopez.

A check of Mr. Lopez's name and date of birth through NCIC found he is unlicensed in the state of Tennessee.

Police Beat

Timothy Paul Spellings, 19, Crooked Oak Drive, Lenoir City was charged with driving on suspended license.

The report states Officer Brandon Gentry, LCPD witnessed a gray Plymouth Acclaim go through the stop sign on 7th Avenue at E Street Wednesday. Mr. Spellings was the driver.

A check through NCIC revealed Spellings's license were suspended and he was placed under arrest.

Joseph Michael Sales, 22,

Fairview Drive, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Corporal Angi Martin, LCSO made the arrest Wednesday, at the General Sessions Court.

2011 Public Turkey Hunting Applications Available for the Milan Army Ammunition Plant

MILAN, Tenn. --- The Milan Army Ammunition Plant will conduct a public drawing for 12 turkey permits during the 2011 spring turkey season. Application deadline is Feb. 17.

Tennessee's statewide 2011 spring turkey season runs from April 2-May 15.

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mits for Spring Turkey Season.

Milan Army Ammunition Plant encompasses 22,436 acres in Gibson and Carroll counties. Public hunting is allowed on four areas around the southern portion of the installation.

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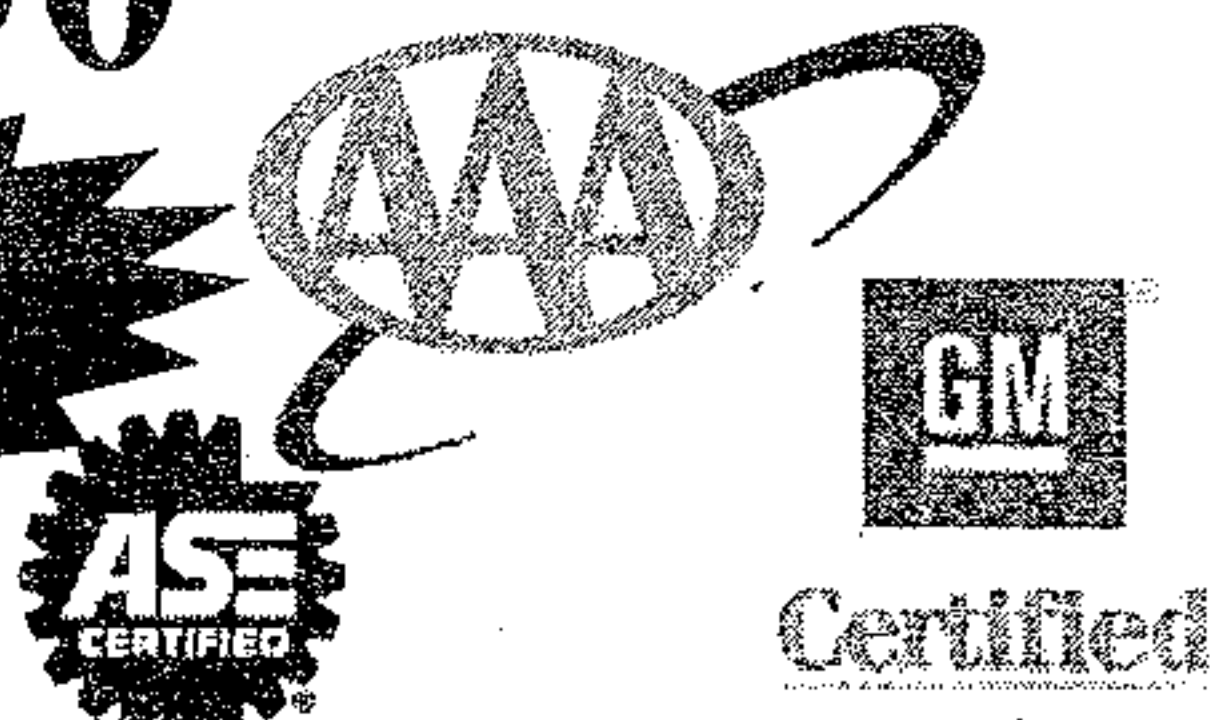
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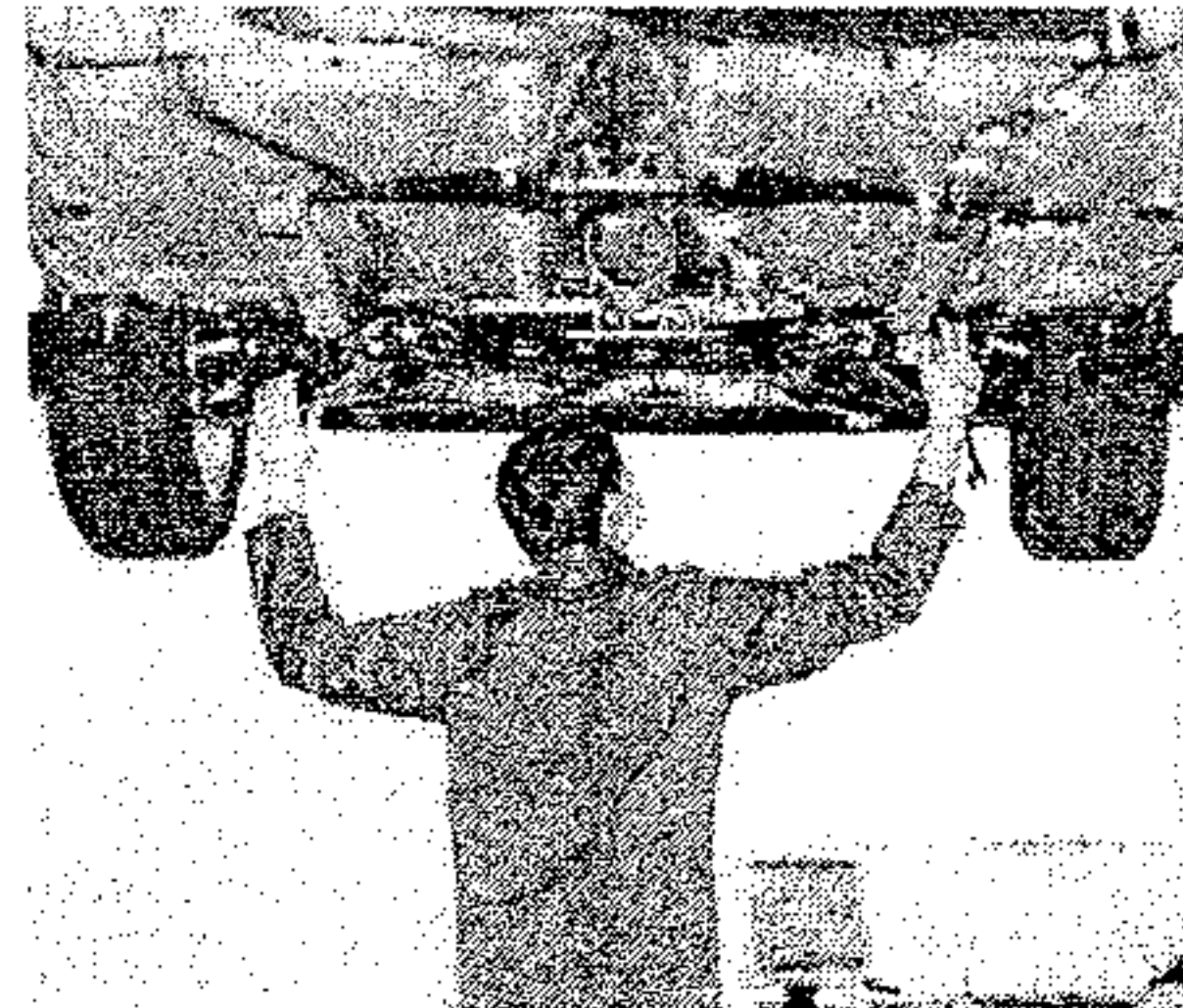
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Vehicle

According to records, Mr. Ronald Cochran, Pine Grove Providence Road, Loudon stated he parked his 1991 Buick Park Avenue at the One Stop Store in Philadelphia at 3:45 AM, Thursday and when he returned at 9:00 AM, he noticed

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someone had popped the lock out of the trunk with a screw driver. They pried the trunk open and took a set of Craftsman tools and a black lock box containing his pain medication.

The loss was estimated at \$600. The theft is under investigation. Deputy Mickey Patterson, LCSO filed the report.

Please Help

Adyson Cosner is the 3 year old daughter of Loudon County Sheriff's Office Investigator Charles Cosner and Misty Cosner. She was diagnosed in the late summer with leukemia. At this time she is still receiving intensive chemo treatments at Children's Hospital each week, and needs blood/platelet transfusions.

MEDIC has a severe shortage of blood and her parents said there are LOTS of kids at ETCH needing transfusions and platelets. Please consider donating blood or platelets in Adyson's honor.

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Seized

Loudon County Sheriff Tim Guider announced the arrest of Christopher Adam Murrill, 22, of the Philadelphia area of Loudon County on narcotics charges.

On February 2, an investigator with the

Loudon County Sheriff's Office conducted a traffic stop on a 2006 Mazda pick-up for a traffic violation. Murrill was the driver of the vehicle. A K-9 unit arrived to assist the investigator and K-9 Diego alerted to the odor of narcotics coming

from the vehicle.

Upon searching the vehicle, a .45 caliber semi-automatic weapon was located, and approximately two (2) ounces of hydroponic marijuana was found in a glass jar inside a duffel bag on the front seat.

Also found inside the duffel bag was a plastic bag containing \$22,000 in US currency. Upon a search of the suspect an additional \$1,205.53 in US currency was found.

The LCSO Narcotics Unit conducted a follow-up investigation at Murrill's home, located at 156 Donaldson Road in Philadelphia, where he lived in the lower level of a residence. There Investigators found approximately 7.62 pounds of hydroponic marijuana.

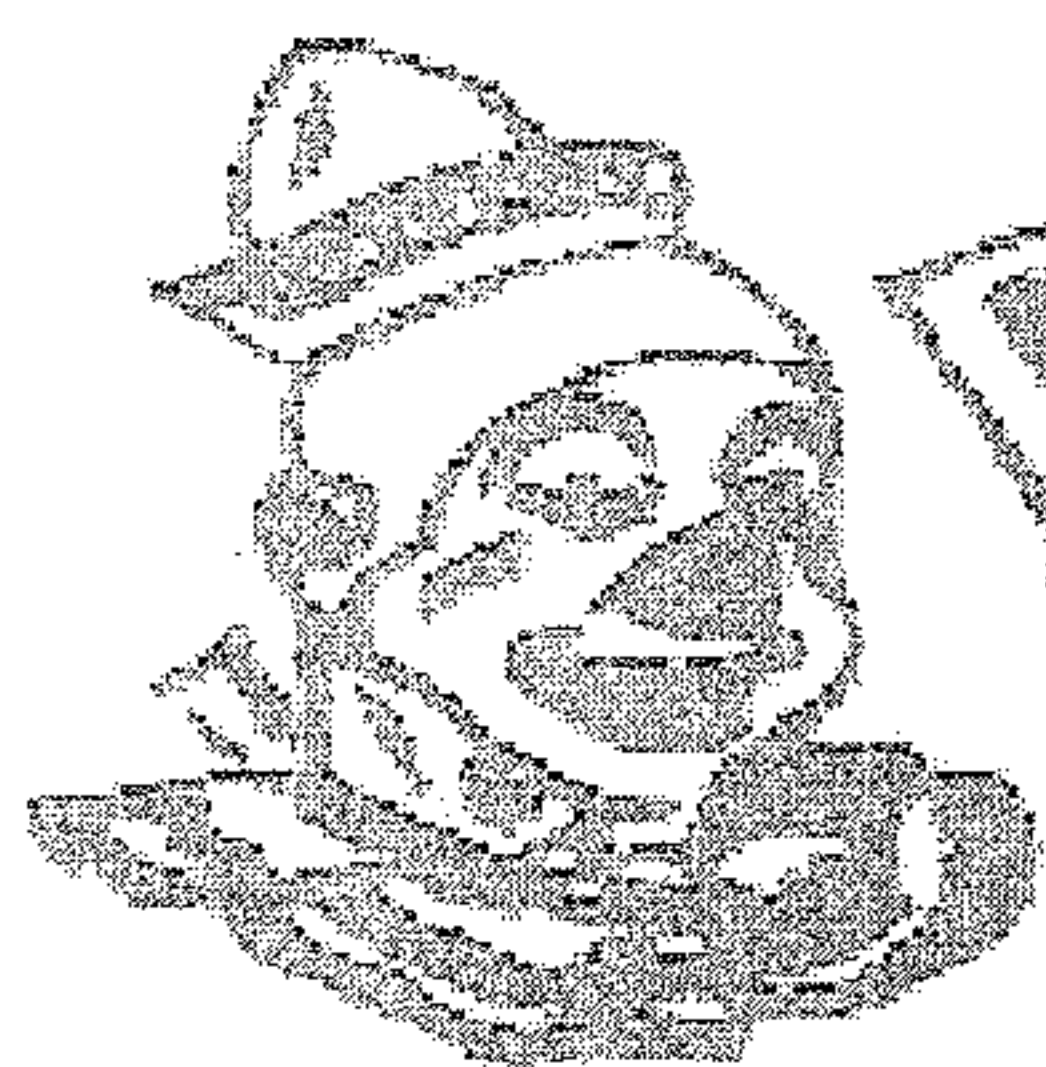
Along with the marijuana, investigators found digital scales, plastic baggies, rolling papers, a rolling machine with marijuana residue, a water bong, and a small glass pipe, all consistent with smoking or

selling marijuana.

Also at the residence were two additional weapons, a .380 caliber semi-automatic pistol and a 7.7 x 28mm rifle, both in close proximity of the hydroponic marijuana.

Murrill has been charged with 2 charges of Possession of Schedule VI Narcotics for Resale (Marijuana); 2 charges of Possession of a Firearm during the Commission of a Dangerous Felony; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; and Maintaining a Dwelling where Narcotics are Possessed or Sold.

The \$23,205.53 in cash and the 2006 vehicle were seized, and the weapons confiscated as evidence in the case.



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Missing

the mini lap tops missing out of the library at the school. The laptop is a small Dell Latitude 2100. Mr. Breedlove said the school has twenty of the and the staff can come in the library and check them out.

Each laptop has it's own check out card that stays in the library. The missing laptop was

last checked out by a student on December 18th, 2010.

The student said he returned the computer to the library the same day, however his name was not crossed out and the checkout card showed he hadn't returned the laptop. The student stated he was in a hurry and just dropped the laptop off in the library and nev-

er checked the in/out card.

Another laptop was also discovered missing and the estimated value of both is \$1000. The case is under investigation.

Police Beat

Charles Jeffery Leonard, 47, Dykes Road, Seymour, Tennessee was charged Wednesday with DUI and violation of im-

plied consent.

According to reports, Officer Brandon Gentry, LCPD responded to a reckless driver call in the area of Highway 321. When he made contact with the vehicle, it appeared the driver was asleep at the intersection of Highway 321 and Highway 11.

The driver, later identified as Charles Leonard, sat at the intersection with a green light for awhile then made a left turn from Highway 11 onto Highway 321.

Officer Gentry fell in behind Mr. Leonard and followed him for a short distance. Mr. Leonard drifted into oncoming traffic and almost hit a semi-truck head on.

The officer stopped

the vehicle and had Mr. Leonard perform several field sobriety tasks. He did poorly on all of them and was read the implied consent. Leonard refused a blood test.

Bobby Andrew Garlin, 20, Bayley Road, Benton, Tennessee was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Robert Gray, LCSO made the arrest Wednesday at the Bradley County Jail.

Jimmy Dale Presley Jr., 26, Edwards Street, Madisonville was charged Friday with failure to appear.

Corporal John Wilson, LCSO made the arrest at the Monroe County Jail.

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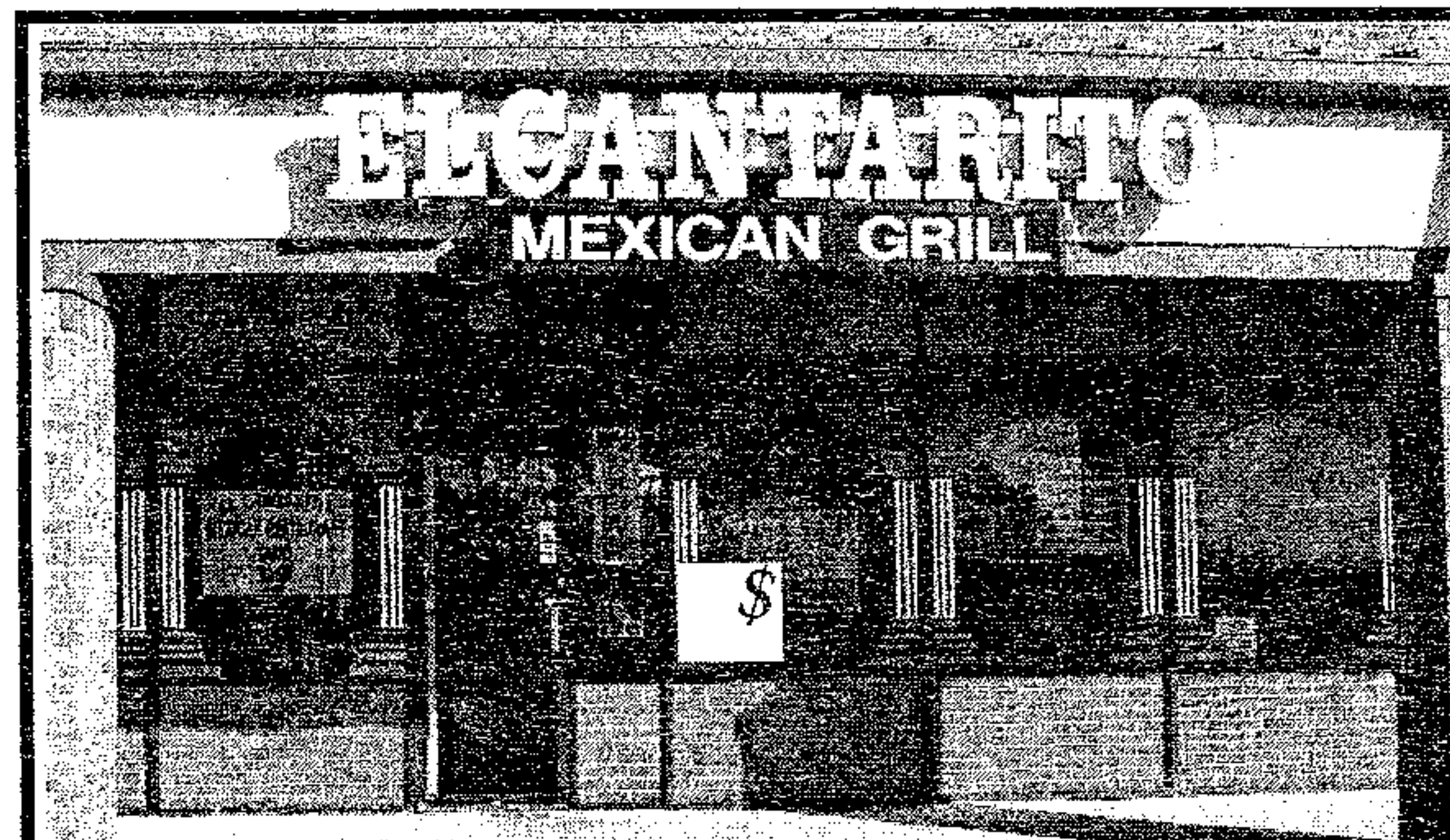
ports, Wednesday, at approximately 12:32 AM, Deputy James R. Bowman, LCSO responded to the area of Highway 321 and City Park Drive concerning a white Volvo all over the road. Upon arrival, the deputy spotted the vehicle in question and witnessed it all over the roadway and driving on the wrong side of the road on City Park Drive.

Deputy Bowman stopped the Volvo for the unsafe driving and also because the driver, identified as Matthew Davis, wasn't wearing his seat belt.

Mr. Davis had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his breath and person, red bloodshot eyes, slurred speech and he was very unsteady on his feet. He refused to perform field sobriety tasks and after being read the implied consent advisement, refused that too. Mr. Davis was taken into custody.

Keith Alvin Scarbrough, 21, East 9th Avenue, Lenoir City was charged with failure to appear.

Sgt. Eddie Range, LCPD made the arrest Thursday.



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LCBOE Board Meeting

Feb. 10, 2011, 7:00pm

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to Discuss Director Search

Feb. 14, 2011, 6:00pm

Courthouse Annex

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