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Handgun under the influence charge filed in traffic stop

Michael R Davis, 35, Maryville Tn, was charged with DUI, Poss. of a Handgun while Under the Influence, and Violation of Implied Consent Law.

Deputy Charles Huskin LCSO, observed a vehicle traveling South on Morganton Rd at a high rate of speed. Deputy observed

(see DUI pg. 3)



Michael Davis
Speeding leads to arrest

Paraphernalia found after driver stopped for no seatbelt



Karen Davidson (see Charged pg. 4)

Purchase Order Scam Leaves a Trail of Victims

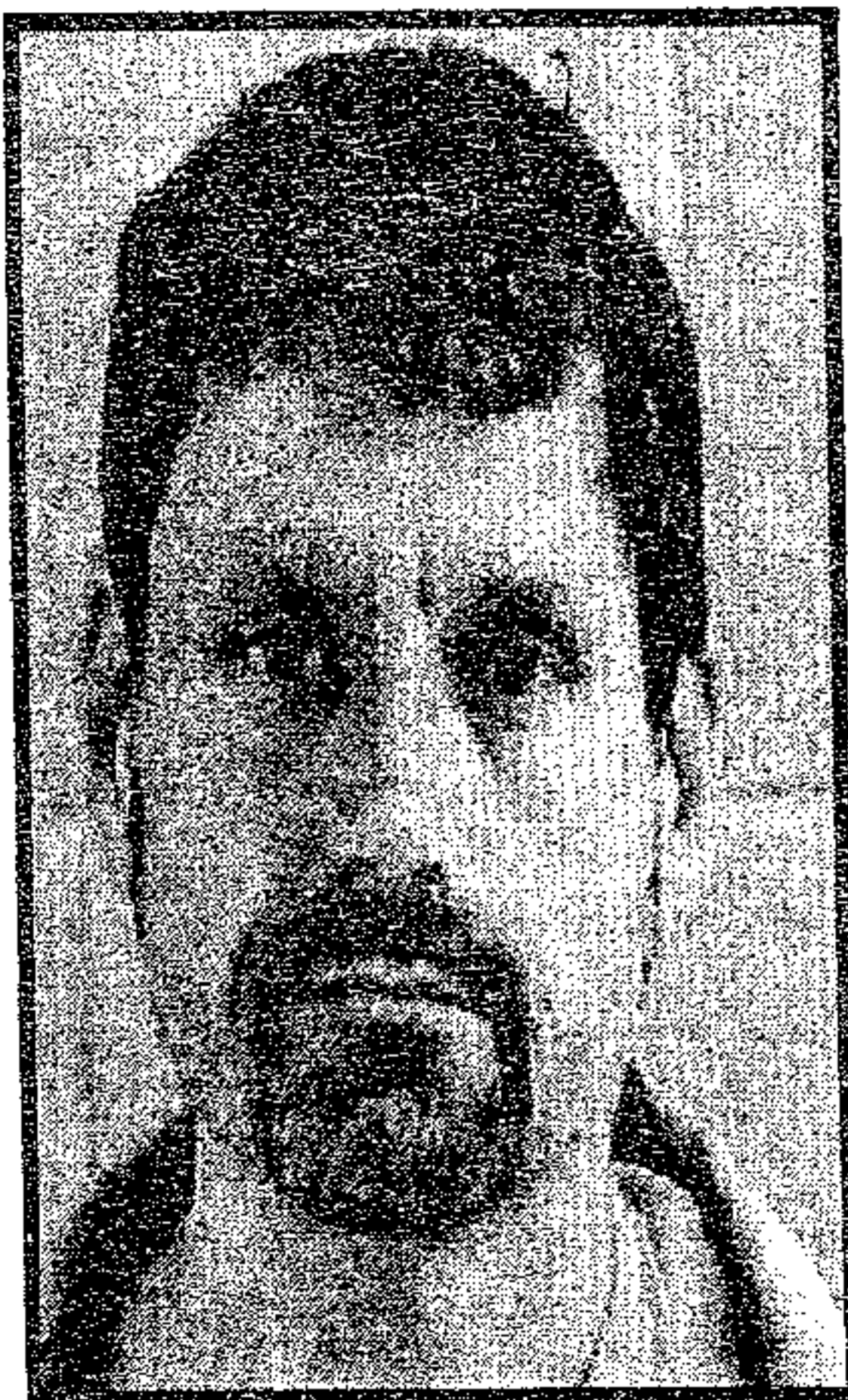
What began as a scheme to defraud office supply stores has evolved into more ambitious crimes that have cost retailers around the country millions of dollars—and the Nigerian cyber criminals behind the fraud have also turned at-home Internet users into unsuspecting accomplices.

FBI investigators are calling it purchase order fraud, and the perpetrators are extremely skillful. Through online and telephone social engineering techniques, the fraudsters trick retailers into believing they are from legitimate

businesses and academic institutions and want to order merchandise. The retailers believe they are filling requests for established customers, but the goods end up being shipped elsewhere—often to the unsuspecting at-home Internet users, who are then duped into re-shipping the merchandise to Nigeria.

“They order large quantities of items such as laptops and hard drives,” said Special Agent Joanne Altenburg, who has been investigating the cyber criminals since 2012 out of our

(see FBI pg. 5)



Joseph Davis
(See Speeding pg. 2)

Victim cut during domestic incident in LC



Deborah Collins
see DV pg. 7

Verse of the Day

I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God — this is your spiritual act of worship. — Ro-

mans 12:1 Obituaries

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Wazzup

Don't forget to set your clocks this Saturday Night to Fall Back one hour!

Weather

Today: Mainly sunny. High 63F.

Tonight: Partly cloudy. Low 39F.

Friday Partly cloudy skies during the morning hours will give way to occasional showers in the afternoon. High 59F.

Friday Night Rain and snow showers in the evening transitioning to snow showers overnight. Low near 35F.

Horoscopes

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

You should find that your boss (or primary client, or

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Speeding

Joseph Davis, 43, Smokey Branch Road Vonore, was charged with DUI.

Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, observed a vehicle cross the fog line on Hwy 72 through his rear view mirror. Deputy turned his vehicle around and said vehicle was traveling in the wrong lane of travel on Hwy 72. Deputy

identified the vehicle as a red Tacoma and initiated his blue lights, and the vehicle continued on Hwy 72. Deputy then initiated the sirens and the vehicle turned on Hwy 444. The driver having plenty of opportunities to stop before Hwy 444. After stopping Deputy made contact with the driver identified as Joseph Davis. Joseph had a strong

odor of alcoholic beverage about his person, watery blood-shot eyes, and stated that he only consumed two beers. Joseph did poorly on sobriety test and was placed under arrest. Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, made the arrest.

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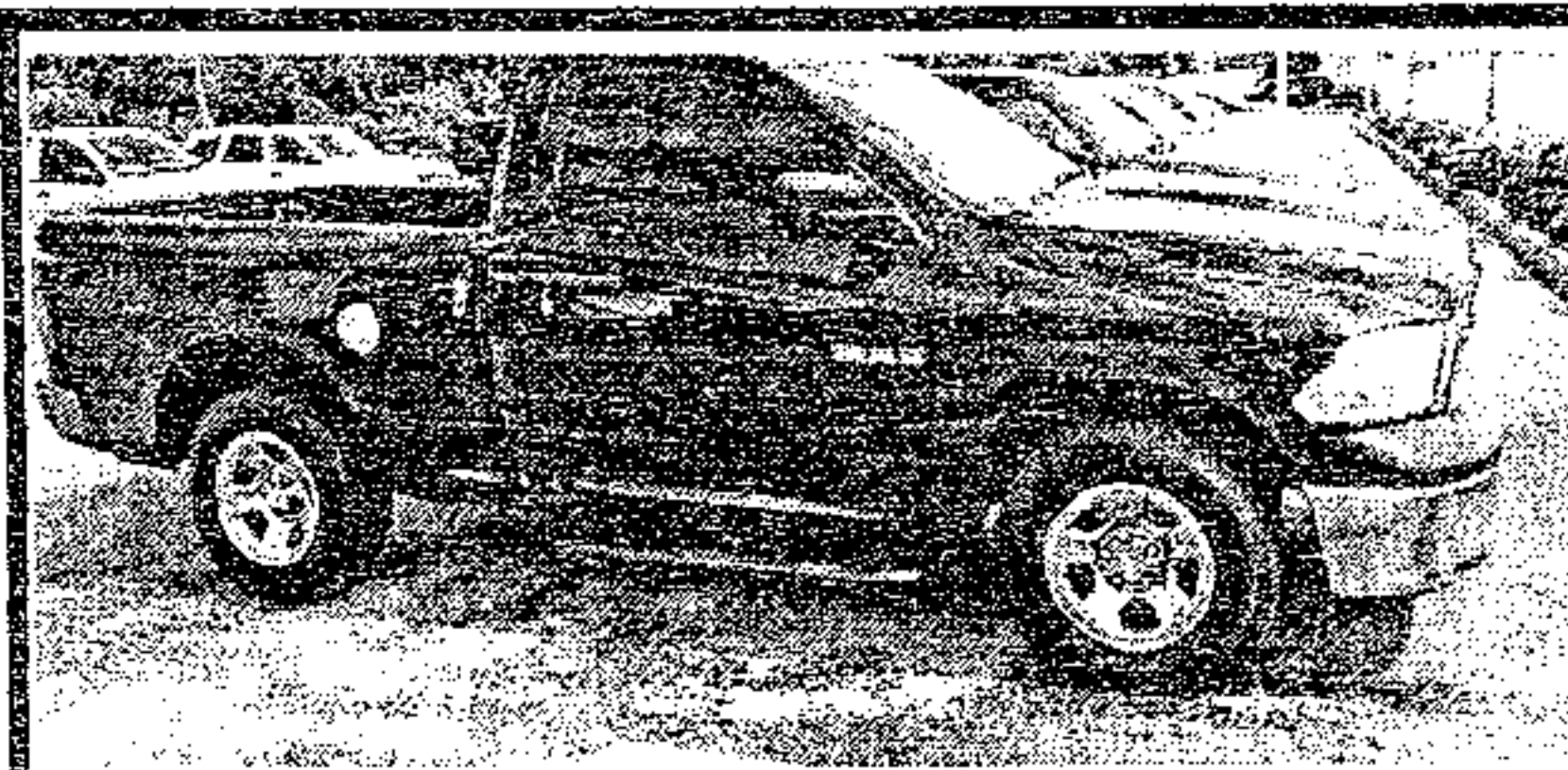
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DUI

the vehicle cross the center line 3 times and the white line 2 times. Deputy continued to observe the vehicle on Hwy 411 at Niles Ferry Rd, where the vehicle continued to speed. Deputy made a traffic stop on the vehicle at Niles Ferry Baptist Church. Deputy made contact with the driver Michael Davis. Deputy did smell a strong odor of alcohol coming from the vehicle. Deputy observed Michael to have red watery eyes, slurred speech, and very unsteady on his feet. Michael did poorly on field sobriety test and was placed under arrest. Deputy Charlie Huskin LCSO, made the arrest.

Police beat

Woodrow Duncan, 22, Patterson Road Waland, was charged with Driving on Revoked License. On 10-23-2014 at 22:18 Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, did observe a 1994 Jeep traveling South on Morganton Road. Deputy did observe the vehicle run the stop sign at Morganton Road and Highway 95. Deputy also observed the vehicle traveling 44 mph in a 35 mph zone. Deputy stopped the vehicle on Morganton road at East Coast Tellico Parkway. Deputy made contact with the driver Mr. Woodrow Michael Duncan.

Mr. Duncan stated that his license were suspended. Deputy ran Mr. Duncan though dispatch by name and date of birth at which time they advised Mr. Duncan's license were revoked for failure to satisfy criminal offense. Mr. Duncan was placed under arrest for driving on revoked license. The vehicle Mr. Duncan was driving belonged to the passenger at which time he let a licensed driver take

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Charged

Karen Davidson, 24, Matlock Alley Philadelphia, was charged with Poss. of Drug Para.

Kristina Jones, 46, Matlock Alley Philadelphia, was charged with Violation of Probation.

According to the report, Deputy Chris Jenkins LCSO, conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for the driver Karen Davidson not wearing a safety belt. While issuing the driver a citation for the violation, a check of the passenger Kristina Jones, through NCIC showed to have valid outstanding warrants.

After the subject was placed under arrest the driver was asked and gave verbal consent to a search of the vehicle. After receiving verbal consent K9 Diego was deployed for a drug

sniff of the exterior and interior of the vehicle. K9 Diego gave a positive alert to the area of the back passenger side seat area.

During a search of the vehicle a multi colored purse was found in the rear storage compartment of the front passenger side seat. Inside of the purse was spoons with what appeared to



Kristina Jones

be pill residue, a syringe, coffee filters, small baggies and razor blades. Also in the vehicle was a brown and black purse with digital scales. All said items are used for illegal narcotics. This did happen in Loudon Co., Tn.

Obituaries

John Calvin Houston, Jr. - age 66 of Loudon passed away Tuesday, October 28, 2014. He was retired from the Loudon County Sheriff's Department after 20 plus years of service where he had worked as Lt. Detective. John was Past Grand Master of Loudon Masonic Lodge #204. He was preceded in death by his wife, Carolyn Houston; father, John Houston, Sr.; brothers, Jerry and Milton Houston; sister, Norma Chandler and grandson, Tony. Survived by his mother, Dorothy Chrisman; children: John

Houston II, Laura Barker, Tom Petty, Sherlyn Beam, Robert Moody and Carrie Houston; grandchildren: Benjamin, Rebecca, Stephanie, Allegra, Bryanna, Brandon, Lily, Rachel and Savannah; sisters, Jean Wiggins, Betty Granneman, Susan Sipes and Mary Perkins; brothers, James Chrisman, Marvin Houston and Paul Houston; several nieces

and nephews. The family will receive friends from 12 to 2 p.m. Saturday at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at 2 p.m. with Rev. Eddie Chasteen officiating. Burial will follow in the Lakeview Cemetery. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements. www.clickfuneralhome.com

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Washington Field Office. "They have also ordered expensive and very specialized equipment, such as centrifuges and other

medical and pharmaceutical items."

Our investigators have found more than 85 companies and universities nationwide whose identities were used to perpetrate

the scheme. Approximately 400 actual or attempted incidents have targeted some 250 vendors, and nearly \$5 million has been lost so far.

The scam has several

variations, but basically it works like this:

The criminals set up fake websites with domain names almost identical to those of real businesses or universities. They do the same for e-mail accounts and also use telephone spoofing techniques to make calls appear to be from the right area codes.

Next, the fraudsters—posing as school or business officials—contact a retailer's customer service center and use social engineering tactics to gather information about the organization's purchasing account.

The criminals then contact the target business and request a quote for products. They use forged documents, complete with letterhead and sometimes even the name of the organization's actual product manager. They request that the shipments be made on a 30-day credit—and since the real institution often has good credit, vendors usually agree.

The criminals provide a U.S. shipping address that might be a warehouse, self-storage facility, or the residence of a victim of an online romance or work-from-home scam (see sidebar). Those at-home victims are directed to re-ship the merchandise to Nigeria and are provided

with shipping labels to make the job easy.

The vendor eventually bills the real institution and discovers the fraud. By then, the items have been re-shipped overseas and the retailer must absorb the financial loss.

"Once the merchandise has been shipped to Nigeria, it is nearly impossible to get it back," Altenburg said. "Small and mid-size businesses and universities are being targeted all over the country."

Although the cyber criminals are practiced at deception, there are ways to spot the fraud, according to Special Agent Paula Ebersole in our Washington Field Office. "The most important thing is to independently verify shipping addresses," she said, "no matter how legitimate a website or e-mail looks."

Businesses should also be on the lookout for e-mails that contain unusual phrases or spellings, indicating that messages were not written by a fluent English speaker. And bogus phone numbers provided by the fraudsters are rarely answered by a live person. "That should raise a red flag," Ebersole said.

"If your business has been scammed," she added, "time is of the essence. If you report the theft to local authorities or the FBI before the merchandise is shipped out of the country, there is a chance the items can be located and

(see FBI ctd. pg 7)

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Deborah Collins, 58, Old Midway Rd Lenoir City, was charged with Domestic Assault.

According to the report, Deputy Billy Lewis LCSO, was dispatched to Old Midway Road for a

Suicidal Subject. Deputy was advised the subject was threatening to leave. Deputy was advised the Complainant stated her mother Deborah Collins had started cutting her wrist and was trying to leave.

Upon arrival Deputy made contact with Mrs. Deborah Collins who was upset stating her husband refused to give her the combination to the gun safe. Mrs. Deborah Collins did have blood on her chin arms and shirt. Mrs. Deborah

Collins also had two cut marks on her left wrist and stated they were from her watch.

Prior to Deputy arrival Mrs. Collins had taken a picture of her wrist and sent a text along with the picture to her husband stating hope your happy. Prior to Deputy arrival Complainant stated her mother had went and got a switch blade and when she started to cut her wrist Complainant stated she and her mother started fighting and at some point Complainant/victim was cut by the knife on the finger. Victim stated she started to run out of the house and she and her mother started fighting again at which time the victim fell off the steps and struck her head on Mrs Deborah Collins Jeep.

Victim did have a long scratch on her forehead and a cut finger on the right hand.

Upon searching Mrs. Collins Purse a High-point Lugar 9mm was recovered and some Drug paraphernalia. Victim stated that over the past few days Mrs. Deborah Collins had been stating she was going to kill herself. Deputy Billy Lewis then transported Mrs. Collins to the Fort Loudon ER for a Mental Evaluation. Deputy Billy Lewis LCSO, made the arrest.

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returned.”

In addition to investigating these crimes, Ebersole and Altenburg are also getting the word out to the business community about purchase order fraud through the Domestic Se-

curity Alliance Council, a security and intelligence-sharing initiative between the FBI, the Department of Homeland Security, and the private sector. “We want to make everyone aware of this potential threat,” Ebersole said.

At-Home Victims

E-mail and Internet ads offering lucrative work-from-home jobs are everywhere online, and so are match-making websites. But many online offers of employment and romance are scams—and those who fall for them might end up helping African cyber criminals carry out purchase order fraud.

“These criminals are experts at posing as an employer or romantic interest online,” said Special Agent Joanne Altenburg. “They gain the trust of individuals looking for work or a romantic relationship, and after a period of social engineering, those individuals are convinced to serve

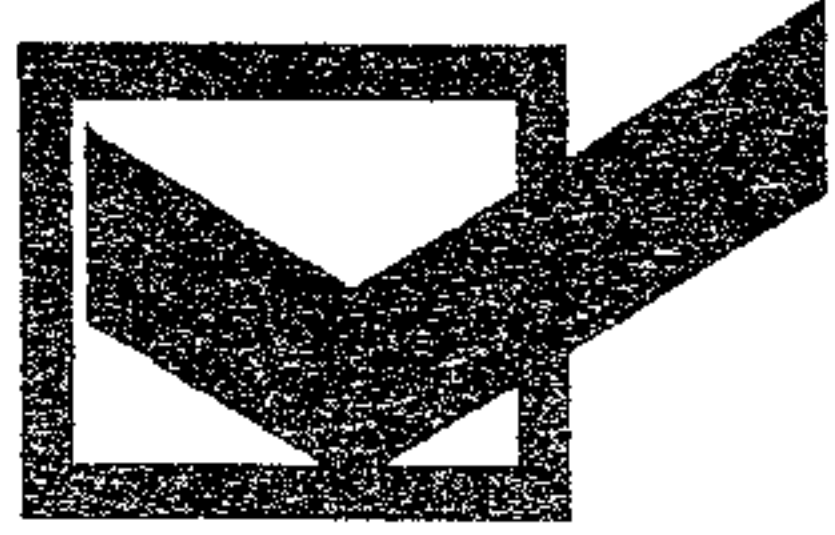
as re-shippers on behalf of the subject. They almost never suspect they are doing anything illegal.”

These secondary victims agree to accept packages sent directly to them and then re-ship them overseas, thinking it is either part of their job or they are doing a favor for their romantic interest. “A lot of these people don’t believe it when I tell them they are being scammed,” Altenburg said. “The criminals are very good at what they do.”

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