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Truck, trailer theft thwarted by Law Enforcement

Christopher Crabtree, 38, Homeless, was charged with Theft of Property.

Agent Brendan Deboer, 9th DTF responded to spring St Philadelphia on a suspicious vehicle. When Officer arrived he found a gold colored truck with a white male sitting in the drivers seat. The male



(see Theft pg. 4) Christopher Crabtree

The Good News

by Jeff Vittatoo

Riding Fences

As a "Current Events" junkie, I read the news on my computer or phone periodically throughout each day to see what's happening around Montana, within the nation and even around the globe. This week I was reading about the 114th Congress taking office and an effort by some politicians to oust the



current Speaker of the House, John Boehner.

As congress convened and a vote was taken to nominate a Speaker of the House, each elected official is called upon to stand up and verbally declare the name of the person they are choosing to support for the

(see TGN pg. 4)

Order violated in court room



Sharon Shelton

(see Order pg. 3)

Burglary lands one in jail and another being sought

Phillip McKinney, 26, Ramey Road Harisson, Tn., was charged with Burglary x2, Theft of Property x3, and Burglary of a Motor Vehicle.

Deputy K. Palmer was dispatched to a possible theft from a motor vehicle at Sky View Drive. When Deputy arrived on scene he



Phillip McKinney

(see Burglary pg. 5)

3rd DUI for LC man



John Davis

(see 3rd DUI pg. 2)

Verse of the Day

Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." — Hebrews 13:5

Obituaries

see inside

Wazzup

Wow! It's now the definition of COLD for sure. Make sure your pets are inside as well!

Weather

Today: Cloudy with periods of rain. High 41F. Tonight Showers in the evening, then cloudy overnight. Low 33F. Tuesday Cloudy in the morning, then off and on rain showers during the

afternoon hours. High near 40F.

Tuesday Night Cloudy skies. Low 33F.

Horoscopes

Capricorn 12/22-1/19
You might be overly worried about keeping your

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3rd DUI

John Davis, 60, Jim Conner Road Lenoir City, was charged with DUI 3rd. Trooper Rodney Best THP, received a call to respond to I-75 north around the 68 mm. Dispatch advised the Monroe Co. Sheriff Deputy was requesting THP because the driver was intoxicated. Upon Trooper's arrival he spoke with Deputy

BJ Johnson who stated they received a BOLO for a red vehicle all over the roadway. Trooper stated he was sitting at the county line cut thru and observed the vehicle matching the description pass by. Trooper caught up with the vehicle Trooper was able to observe the vehicle unable to maintain its lane of travel. Trooper made a traffic stop and made contact with the

driver John Davis, who had a strong odor about his person, blood shot eyes. Trooper ask John if he had been drinking he stated a couple. John refused to perform sobriety test. John was placed under arrest. Trooper Rodney Best THP, made the arrest.

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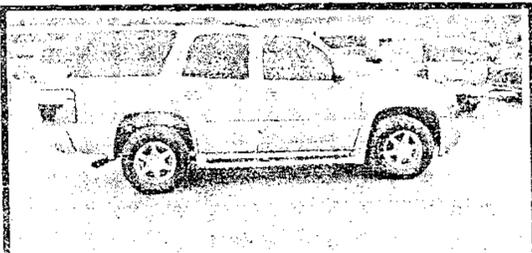
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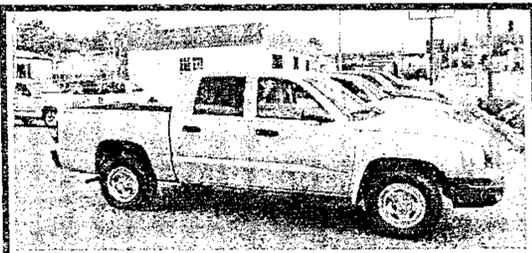
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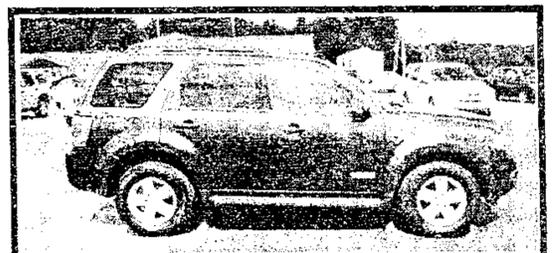
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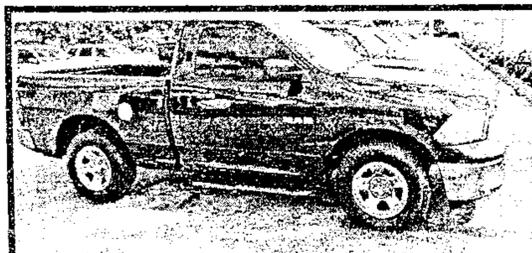
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Order

Sharon Shelton, 45, Holland Trail Lenoir City, was charged with Violation of Order of Protection. According to the report, Deputy Smith did respond to 12680 Highway 11 west (Loudon County Justice Center) for a call of a Violation Of a Order of protection. Upon arrival Deputy made contact with Complainant/Victim. Victim stated to officer he heard Mrs. Sharon Shelton state to a female while in the Loudon County Court room one that she was going to take a knife and cut victim's wife from the bottom of her stomach to her throat. Deputy did find an Order of Protection (14-DV-237) that was issued on November 04, 2014 and was served on Mrs. Shelton November 05, 2014 and the full order of Protection was granted on November 17, 2014 for a period one year. Mrs. Shelton was placed in custody for Violation of Order of Protection and trans-

ported to the Loudon County Jail. Deputy Brian Smith LCSO, made the arrest.

Armenian Criminal Enterprise Dealt Serious Blow

Cooperative Law Enforcement Effort Was Key

In May 2008, a massive shootout between Armenian Power and another California gang on the streets of North Hollywood ended with the deaths of two rival gang members. And while local law enforcement and the FBI already had Armenian Power on their radar, this deadly firefight on the streets of a major American city raised the group's profile—and resulted in efforts by the FBI and its partners to go after Armenian Power and its leadership through federal racketeering statutes.

The investigation revealed that this street gang was actually an international organized criminal enterprise whose illegal activities ranged from bank fraud and identity theft to violent extortion and

kidnappings. It also revealed that this enterprise victimized its own Armenian community in California. By 2011, we had enough evidence to charge 90 Armenian Power leaders, members, and associates in two separate indictments.

Of those 90 charged, 87 have been convicted, including one of the enterprise's primary leaders—Mher Darbinyan—who was recently sentenced to 32 years in prison. (Of the three remaining indicted individuals, prosecutors dropped the charges against one, and the other two are currently fugitives.)

According to Agent Jeremy Stebbins, who worked the case out of our Los Angeles Office, "With the arrests and convictions of nearly all senior leadership of Armenian Power, we dealt a serious blow to their ability to continue to operate in the manner they were accustomed. We also sent a message to the Eurasian organized crime community that they are being targeted and watched."

Armenian Power leadership was based in California, but the

group's operations—particularly its fraud schemes—involved the use of phony businesses located in cities throughout the United States. And Armenian Power leaders had dealings with organized crime figures in places like Armenia and Russia.

Law enforcement was also able to uncover ties between Armenian Power and the Mexican Mafia, the prison gang that controls much of the narcotics distribution and other criminal activity within California's correctional facilities. The Mexican Mafia would protect Armenian Power members and associates who were behind bars, while Armenian Power members and associates on the outside would help facilitate Mexican Mafia criminal activities.

During the course of the investigation, we rescued a kidnapped victim and were able to charge several additional subjects with kidnapping, extortion, and other violent crimes. We also seized more than \$3 million in fraudulently obtained luxury automobiles. And we interfered in sever-

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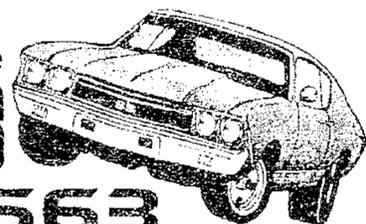
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Theft

was identified as Christopher Crabtree. The resident of this property was spoken too and stated that they were unaware of who owns the gold truck or who owned the a white truck with a trailer attached sitting in front of this gold truck. Upon further investigation it was discovered that the white F-150 truck belonged to a Mr. Glassman and attached to this truck was a 14-foot trailer with two lawnmowers in it. After contacting the Mr Glassman it was found that this truck, trailer and lawnmowers were stolen from pond creek road Philadelphia Tn. In the gold colored truck were Mr crabtree was, a black ford key was found in the ash tray and a future bill of sale was written for the above items. The key that was found in the ash tray did belong to the white F-150 that was taken from Mr Glassman. This property that was taken is a value of 14000.00.

On this date, 01/07/2015 Deputy Kevin Kirkland LCSO, did serve Christopher David

Crabtree with a Theft of Property Warrant out of General Sessions Court of Loudon County. Mr. Crabtree is currently in Loudon County Jail.

TGN

lead position. While many elected officials put forth the name of the current Speaker, John Boehner, others put forth the names of other people and some put forth their own name. But there were still others who, instead of making a decision and standing behind it, chose to vote "Present".

This bothers me. Why would the citizens of any state approve of their elected representative simply voting, "I'm here to serve but I'm choosing not to take a position"? Are they not failing the office they represent? Are they not failing the people who elected them to take a position on every issue? Are they not failing themselves? Is it acceptable for them to simply ride the fence?

As I pondered my disappointment with our elected leaders, I thought about the many people who have chosen not to take a solid posi-

tion regarding their faith in Christ. Many people today don't publically deny the existence of God, but they also don't proclaim that Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life. These are the people who might casually acknowledge "The Man upstairs", but they have chosen not to have an eternal relationship with the Savior of the world.

While politicians in Washington D.C. can apparently get away with avoiding either side of an issue, I am here today to remind each of us that acknowledging the existence of God will NOT grant you entrance through the gates of pearl. The God I serve, the God of the Bible, and His Son Jesus Christ, will not permit you to ride the fence into everlasting life in heaven.

I have spoken to people who say things like, "I believe I will make it to heaven because I have treated others like I want to be treated". Others may believe that because they have never hurt anyone or have never been dishonest in their dealings that they will make it to heaven. Here's what the Bible says:

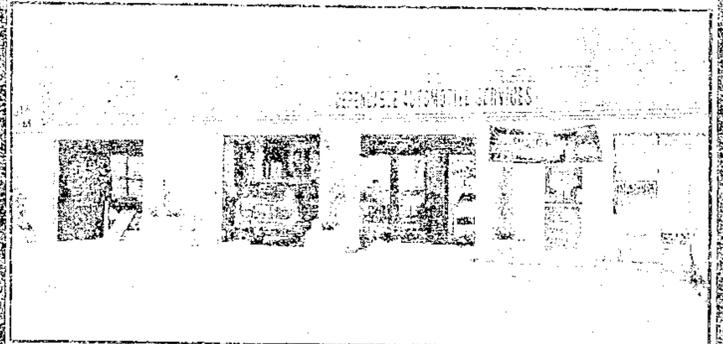
John 3:3 Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

James 2:19 You believe that there is one

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Charged
made contact with the victims. Victim stated that she was woke up by her granddaughter because she heard something outside. Victim stated that her granddaughter stated she heard someone knock on her bedroom window. Victim stated that she then went to the window and observed someone run behind her vehicle. Victim stated that she

noticed the window of her black 2006 Cadillac Escalade was busted out at which time she called the police. Deputy observed the driver side front window was busted out on the vehicle. Victim stated that there was a plastic bag that had been taken out of the vehicle which contained some of his property.

Victim stated the bag contained 2 credit cards, his drivers li-

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cense and social security card. 3 health insurance cards, approximately \$70.00 in cash, and approximately \$40.00 in change. Deputy J. Ketner also responded to the scene and while checking the area observed two males running on Waterford Circle. Deputy Ketner stated they were both wearing black ski mask and black gloves. Deputy Ketner was able to get one of the suspect's into custody and the other continued running.

The on call Investigator J. Russell 927 was notified along with K9 units which responded to the scene. The one suspect taken into custody was identified as Phillip McKinney. Deputy J. Parker was also able to locate the vehicle the suspect's were driving parked on across the roadway from the entrance to the Avalon subdivision in a field. Investigator Sgt. Jeff Russell LCSO, made the arrest.

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al violent confrontations between rival groups, arresting more gang members and seizing firearms.

Court-authorized wire-taps on 25 different phone numbers were a key part of the case. Through these conversations, we were able to obtain a wealth of incriminating evidence as defendants spoke about targeting wealthy Armenians for robbery, planning check fraud activity, making illegal firearms deals, installing skimmers on ATMs, watering illegal marijuana plants in a warehouse, mailing illegal narcotics to customers, planning kidnappings, and extorting money from victims using threats of violence.

This complicated and multi-subject case was investigated by the Eurasian Organized Crime

Task Force, led by the Bureau's Los Angeles Division and the Glendale Police Department. Other vital task force members include several local California police and sheriff's departments and a number of federal agencies.

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God. You do well. Even the demons believe – and tremble!

The truth is simple: We either place our faith in Jesus Christ for eternal salvation or we do not place our faith in Jesus. There is no in between, no middle ground or any alternative method. Being a good person, giving away your wealth, adopting children, taking in stray cats, going on mission trips, giving to the food bank and all of those things are wonderful ways to love like

Jesus loves..... but they won't get you to heaven when you die.

John 14:6 Jesus said to him, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

Revelation 20:12-15 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.

The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone

not found in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

I hope and pray there has been a moment in your life that you have confessed your sins to Jesus Christ and invited Him into your life as Lord and Savior. I hope that you speak with Him and allow Him to speak to you in prayer and through the Holy Spirit.

I hope that He has written your name in the Book of Life and that you will one day spend eternity in the presence of Jesus. I hope you're not riding fences.

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elle stated that she had taken Suboxian and Col-nazepam within the last couple of hours. Based on Danielle condition she was deemed to be a danger to herself, and placed under arrest. Officer Tim

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