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Thursday, October 22, 2015

## \$1500+ recovered by LCSO from running thief

Timothy Hall, 33, Shady Lane Harri- man, was charged with Theft of Prop- erty, Resisting Arrest, and Failure to Appear. Deputy Kenneth Palm- er LCSO, was advised by Deputy Daniel Ferguson that he had a subject run out of Walmart with a buggy full of items. Deputy Ferguson advised he observed Timothy (see thief pg. 7)



Timothy Hall

## Needles, valium and more found after cell phone missing report



Andrew Kotronias

(see charged pg. 4)

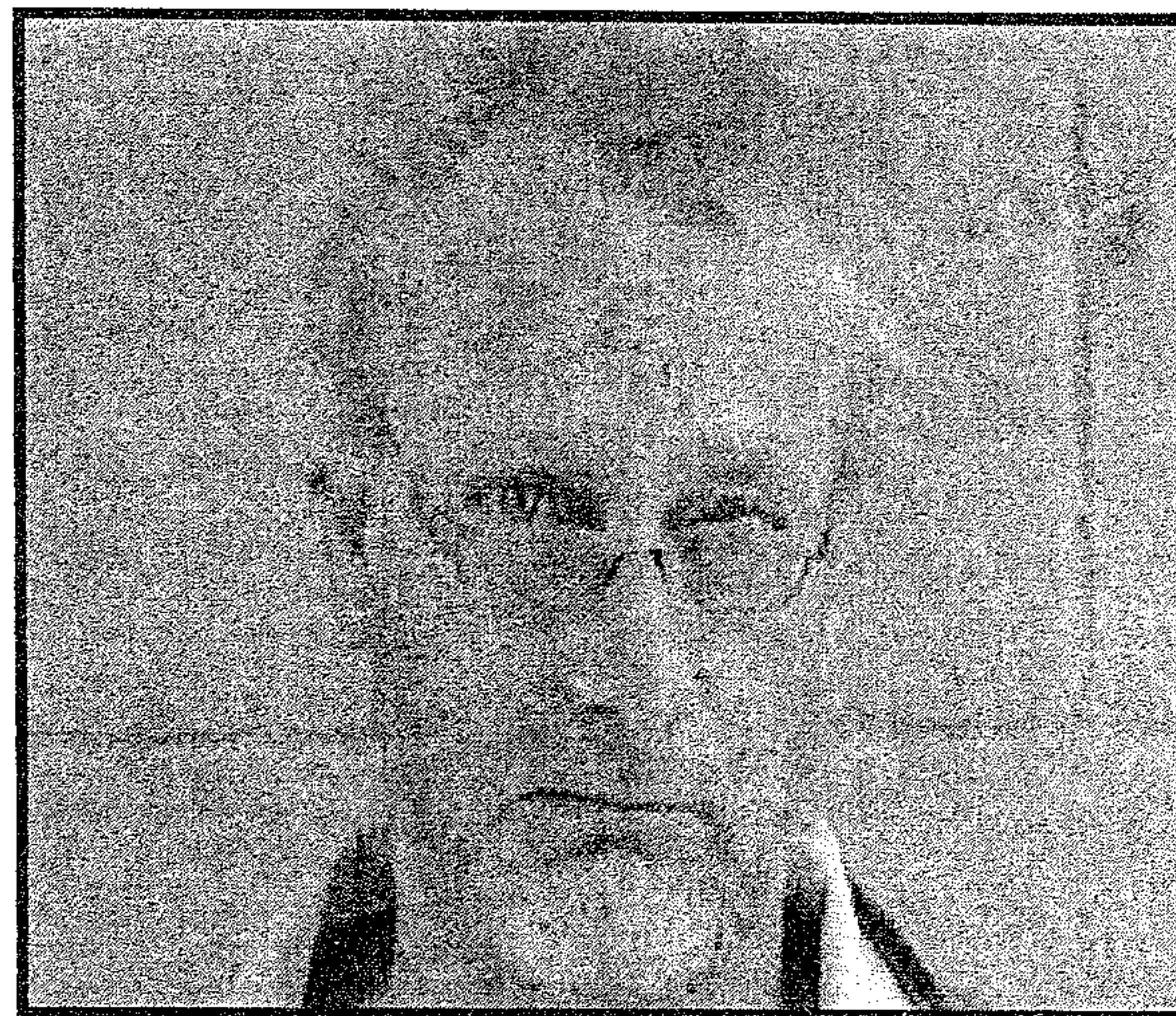
disabled vehicle is re- ally disabled driver



Albert Hamilton

(see DUI pg. 5)

## Driving around drinking a very bad idea



John Davis

(see open bottle pg. 2)

## Larry Thomas Williams sentenced to 140 months on large scale mariuana conspiracy conviction

On Oct. 19, 2015, Larry Thomas Wil- liams, 67, of Mendota, Va., was sentenced by the Honorable J. Ron- nie Greer, U.S. Dis- trict Court Judge, to serve 140 months in federal prison for his role in an extensive marijuana distribution conspiracy centered in the Eastern District of Tennessee and West- ern District of Vir-

ginia, with sources of supply in and around the Los Angeles, Cal., area.

According to the plea agreement on file with the U.S. District Court, Williams admitted to selling ounce quanti- ties of marijuana in May and June 2007, to an individual work- ing on behalf of law enforcement in Rus- sell County, Va. He

(see sentenced pg. 3)

### Verse of the Day

This is how we know we are in him: Who- ever claims to live in him must walk as Jesus did. — 1 John 2:5-6

### Obituaries

see inside **Wazzup** You will be missed Larry "Poopsie" Pro- aps, you were truly a chili cooking king my friend! Loudon Coun-

ty has lost a good one for sure!

### Weather

Today: Partly cloudy skies. High 77F. Tonight: A few clouds from time to time. Low 48F. Friday Some clouds in the morning will give way to mainly sunny skies for the

afternoon. High 79F. Friday Night Clear to partly cloudy. Low 53F.

### Horoscopes

Libra 9/23-10/22 The energetic imbalance between your current ex- perience and what you

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**open bottle**

John Davis, 50, County Road Niota, was charged with DUI, Open Container, and Driving on Revoked/Suspended License.

According to the report, Officer Tyrel Lorenz LCPD, observed a Bronco that appeared to be avoiding him. The vehicle sat in a driveway until he though Officer was

gone. Officer got behind the vehicle as it turned on Hwy 321. The vehicle then turned into Tellico Plaza.

Officer Lorenz continued and turned into the next entrance, and observed the vehicle leave and turn on Hwy 321. Officer observed the vehicle license plate was not illuminated, and conducted a traffic stop.

Upon contact with the driver identified as John Davis, Officer could smell a very strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from within the vehicle.

John had slurred speech,

and glazed eyes. John did have an open bottle of alcohol in the vehicle. John did poorly on sobriety test and was placed under arrest. Officer Tyrel Lorenz LCPD, made the arrest.

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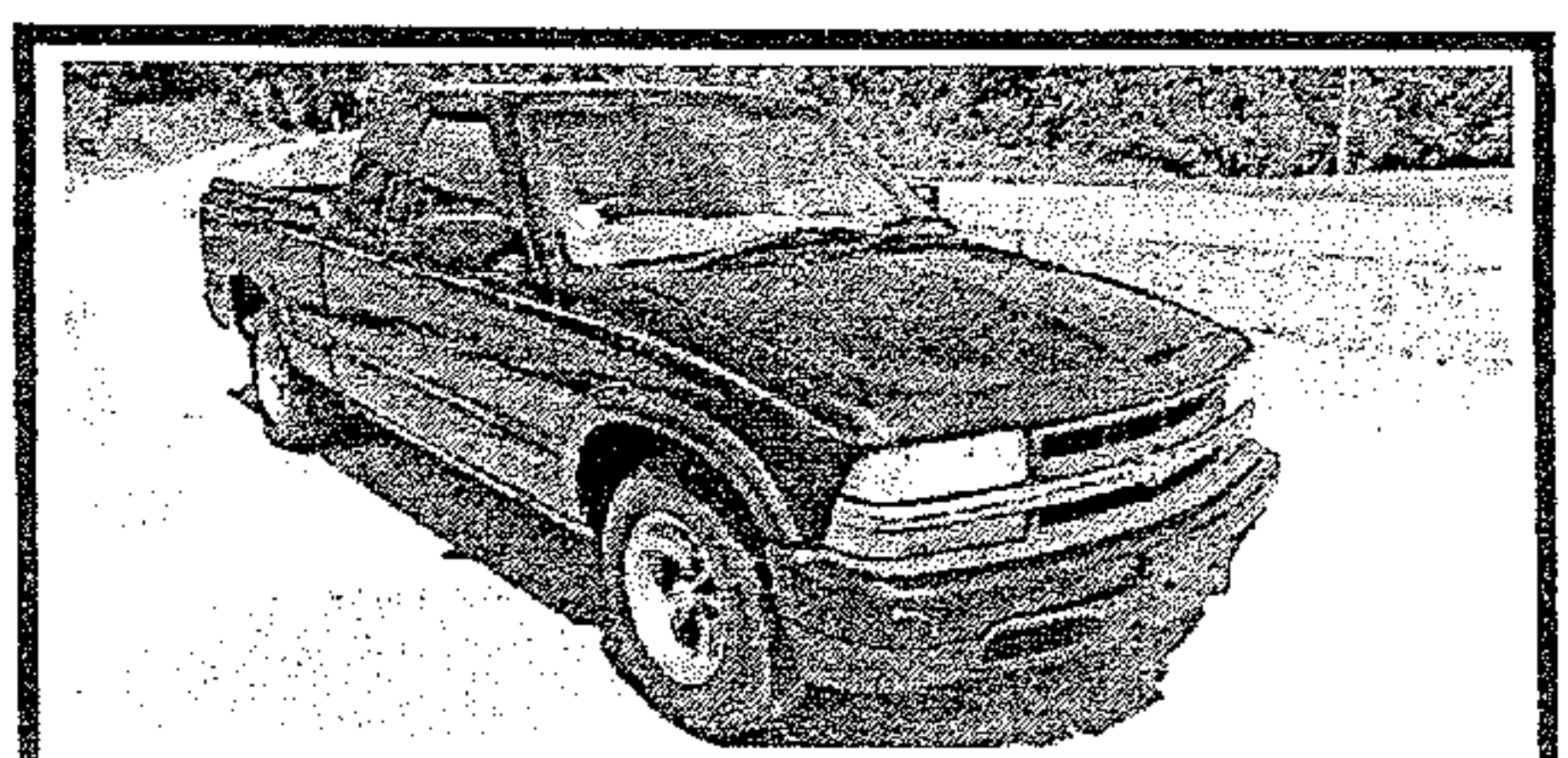
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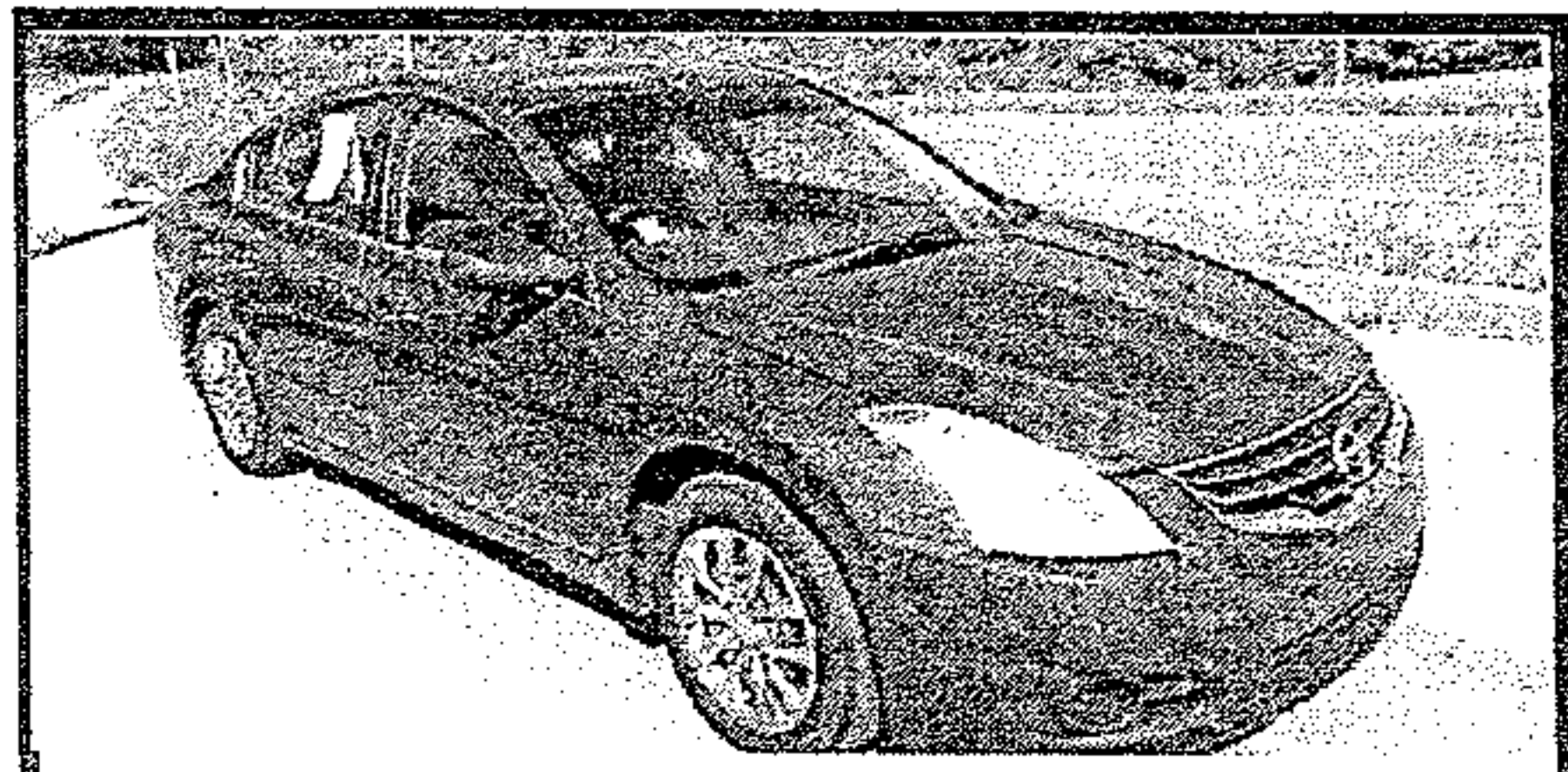
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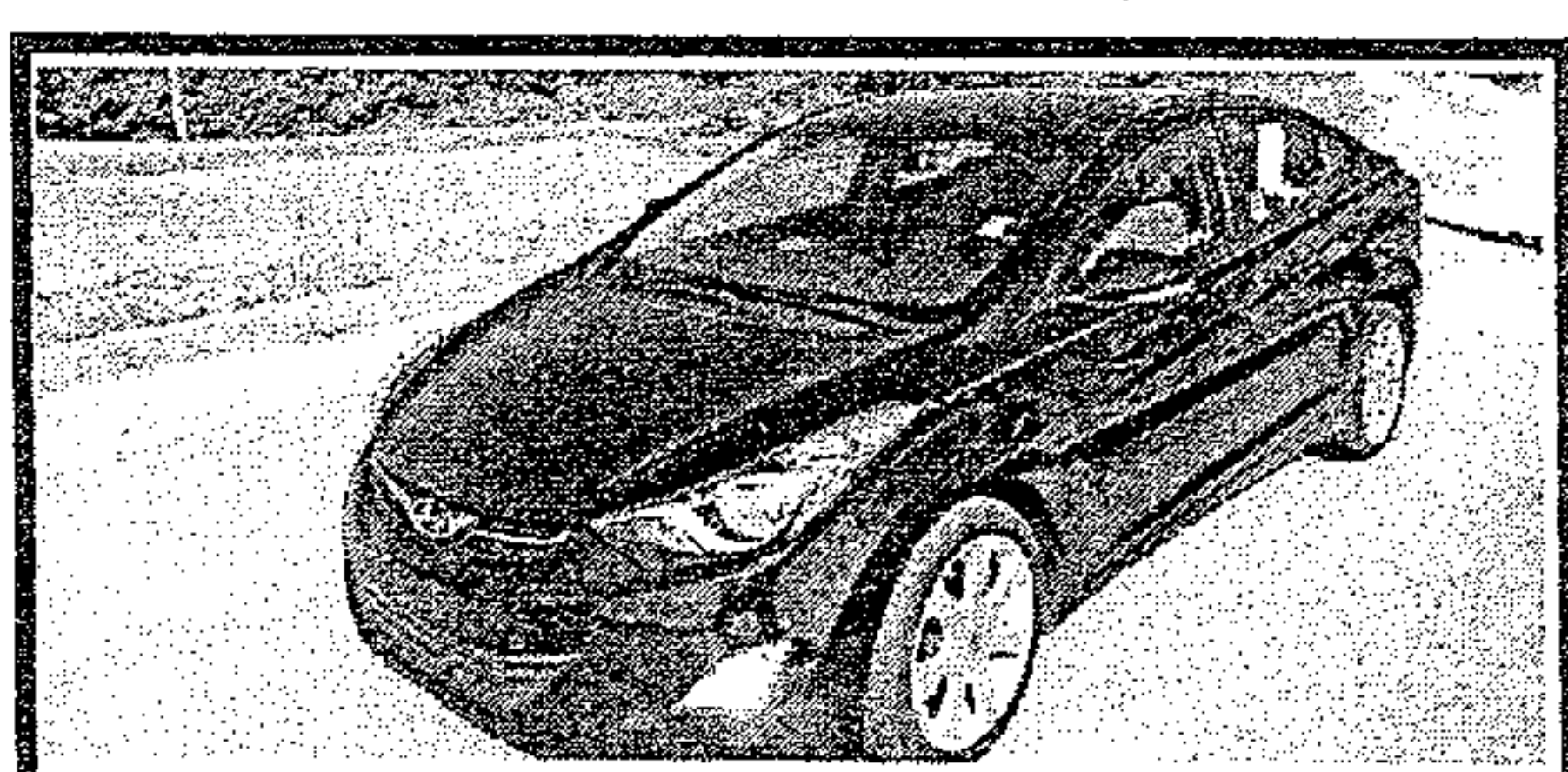
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**sentenced**

admitted to conspiring to distribute marijuana for many years in the Eastern District of Tennessee. In a recorded July 2013 meeting in Bristol, Va., Williams told an individual working with law enforcement that he had hauled marijuana for the last 17 years and that he was interested in purchasing up to 50 pounds of marijuana at a time. He discussed, with this same individual, the best times of the day to transport marijuana and the fact that Tennessee was making it hard on smugglers. Williams also admitted to dealing in marijuana with one particular co-conspirator for 10 years, to which he owed a drug debt. However, since that individual was now deceased, he considered the debt to be severance pay. He further admitted to knowing the location of 256 pounds of marijuana that has been missing since this co-conspirator passed away. Law enforcement agencies participating in the investigation which led to the indictment and subsequent

conviction of Larry Thomas Williams include the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, IRS Criminal Investigation Division, Second District Judicial Drug Task Force, Kingsport Police Department and Russell County, Virginia Sheriff's Office. Assistant U.S. Attorney Wayne Taylor represented the United States.

**TRICOR Audit Reveals Financial Misstatements and Cook Chill Concerns**

The Tennessee Comptroller's Division of State Audit has released its report on the Tennessee Rehabilitative Initiative in Correction Board (TRICOR). TRICOR provides occupational and life

skills training for Tennessee's incarcerated population through job training. Auditors wrote five findings, one of which was also repeated from TRICOR's July 2013 audit.

Auditors found that TRICOR has pervasive weaknesses resulting in a failure to accurately report financial information, record all accounts

receivable, and promptly follow up on past-due receivables. Auditors also reported that management and staff lack knowledge of governmental accounting and state accounting policies.

The failure to accurately report TRICOR's financial condition renders management, the board, and external users unable to make sound

(see audit ctd. pg. 5)

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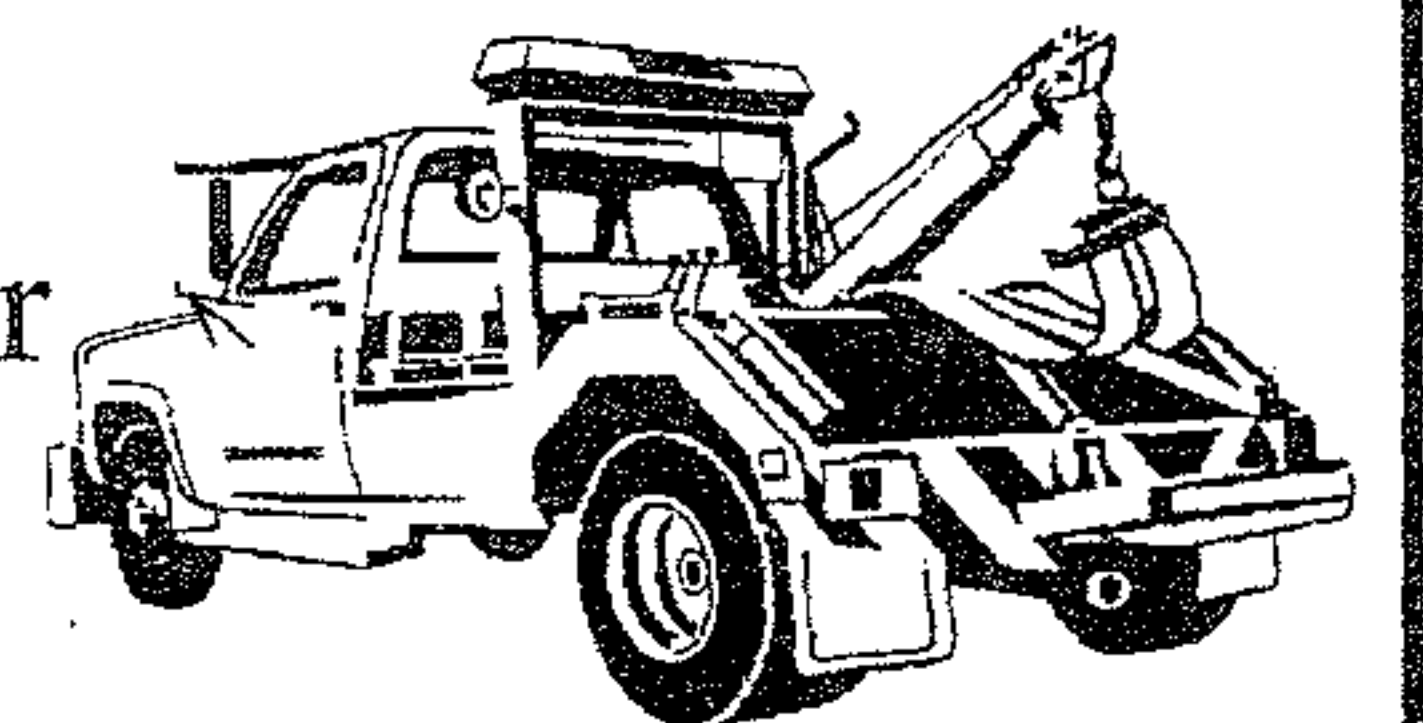
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**Charged**

Andrew Kotronias, 21, Waller Ferry Road Lenoir City, was charged with Poss. of Drug Para., Public Intoxication, Simple Possession. Officer Jeremy Dishner LCPD, was dispatched to speak with a Andrew Kotronias, in reference to a missing cell phone. Officer made contact with Andrew in front of the United Community Bank on Broadway. Andrew was unsteady on his feet, had slurred speech, and smelled of alcohol.

Andrew was placed under arrest. A search of Andrew produced a plastic bag with several hypodermic needles, a pill bottle and a medical container. Inside the container was a methadone disket, and a vialium. Andrew did not have a prescription for either. Officer Jeremy Dishner LCPD, made the arrest.

**Loudon County Sheriff's Office Toys for Tots 2015**

Thanks to the generosity year after year of the Loudon County residents, churches, businesses and industries, the Loudon County Sheriff's Office is once again able to of-

fer the Toys for Tots program. We are beginning our 31st year of providing toys to the needy children of Loudon County, and thanks to generous contributions of time, money and gifts, we are able to make Christmas a more joyful time for more and more children. In 2014, approximately 500 children were helped by the Loudon County Sheriff's Department Toys for Tots program through their partners. Even with the difficult economic times we are experiencing, we hope that the people of Loudon County will be there once again to help. Beginning Tuesday, September 8, the 2015 appli-

cations will be available at the Loudon County Sheriffs Office. Applications will be accepted for children from Age 1 through 8th grade that are enrolled in the Loudon County or Lenoir City School systems. ALL applications must be returned to the Loudon County Sheriff's Department by 4 PM, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2015. It is requested that everyone please submit their application as soon as possible. Applications must also include a copy of the parent or guardian's current income information. A current Tennessee Driver's License

or State Issued ID is required from the parent, and a copy of the child's social security card is also required.

Names will be available beginning in mid-October through business and churches. If you are considering helping a child this Christmas, please be assured that applicants are thoroughly checked to make sure they require this assistance. Names are also compared with the school systems to make sure no one is receiving duplicate assistance.

If your business or church would be willing to take names please call Debbie Hines, Toys for Tots Coordinator at 986-4823.

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**DUI**

Albert Hamilton, 43, Leisre Lane Kingston, was charged with DUI. Deputy Lance Anderson LCSO, responded to Interstate 75 at mm 77 in reference to a disable vehicle.

Upon contact Deputy made contact with Albert Hamilton who was sitting behind the wheel of an orange vehicle. While speak-

ing with Albert Deputy could smell a strong odor of alcohol emitting from his person and unsteady on his feet. Albert stumbled backwards and almost fell into oncoming traffic.

Albert failed sobriety test and was placed under arrest. Deputy Lance Anderson LCSO, made the arrest.

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decisions about the viability of TRICOR's programs or continued existence.

Additionally, auditors found that TRICOR is operating the Tennessee Cook Chill program without an executed agreement with any of its customers. Since implementing the Standard Menu Program with

the Tennessee Department of Correction in 2014, the Cook Chill program reported a net loss of more than \$4 million. These losses were covered by TRICOR's reserves. TRICOR cannot continue to absorb losses through its reserves indefinitely and creates a going concern for the agency.

Other audit findings

include failing to submit annual risk assessments to the Department of Finance and Administration and the Comptroller of the Treasury, and insufficient monitoring of professional service contracts.

"Our auditors have recommended several changes that can help TRICOR improve its financial operations," Comptroller Justin P. Wilson said. "These findings should allow management to address problems and concerns by taking the necessary steps to correct weaknesses."

Auditors will present their findings at a meeting of the General Assembly's Judiciary and Government Joint Subcommittee of Government Operations on October 21. The meeting is scheduled to be begin at 9 a.m. in Legislative Plaza Room 12.

To view the audit report online, go to: <http://www.comptroller.tn.gov/sa/>

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**Thief**

open the general merchandise door which was locked push the door open and take off down the parking lot with the items. Deputy observed Timothy throwing then items into a vehicle. Deputy pulled up beside Timothy in his personal vehicle in full uniform, and advised Timothy he needed to talk to him. Timothy took off running and Deputy told him to stop. Deputy advised the subject was running and gave description of Timothy. Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, saw a subject matching the description and told him to stop around Zaxby's. Officer Lorenz

detained Timothy at the TVA Credit Union and transported him back to Walmart parking lot. Timothy was ID and placed under arrest. Total amount on items taken was \$1581.32. Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, made the arrest.

**OBITUARIES**

**Larry Paul Proaps** - age 66 of Lenoir City passed away Sunday afternoon, October 18, 2015 at his home after an extended illness. Larry was retired from the Loudon County Sheriff's Office after 31 years of service. He served in the National Guard. Larry was a school resource officer and also served on the Loudon County School Board. He was a member of Central United Methodist Church. Larry touched

many lives over the years and helped many more. He was full of stories and jokes all the while sharing his life. Preceded in death by his parents, Paul and Edna Proaps and sister, Peggy Watson. Survived by his wife of 29 years, Kathy Proaps; daughter and son-in-law, Ashley Kate Galyon and Joshua Galyon; step-son and daughter-in-law, Jonathan Cornwell and Kristi Cornwell; grandsons, Tyler and Jordan Galyon; sister and brother-in-law, Paula (Pod) and Allen Cathy; brother-in-law, Phil Watson; many nieces, nephews, cousins, and aunts. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, October 22nd at Central United Church in Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at 7 p.m. with Rev. Micah Nicolaus officiating. Family and friends will gather at the funeral home

by 10:30 Friday morning and proceed to the Lakeview Cemetery for 11 a.m. graveside services. Full honors will be conferred by the Loudon Co. Sheriff's Department. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Central United Methodist Church or the School Resource Officers Program.

**Don E. Petty** - age 57 of Lenoir City went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at Parkwest Hospital. Don was a devoted husband and father. He enjoyed attending Fellowship Baptist Church in Lenoir City. Preceded in death by his parents, Rev. Sam and Thelma Petty, and brother, Charles Petty. Survived by his wife of 38 years, Teresa Quillen Petty; sons, Chad Petty (Katelyn Samuels), Bradley Petty and Shawn Petty; brothers, Luther Petty and Ray Petty; sev-

eral aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. The family will receive friends from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, October 25th at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at 3 p.m. with Rev. Eddie Chasteen and Rev. David Coffman officiating. Burial will follow in the Lakeview Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the funeral home to help with funeral expenses.

**Sammie Ray Arnold**, age 91, went to his Heavenly home on October 16th. A longtime resident of Tullahoma, Sammie was born on February 11, 1924 in Jackson County, AL to Alfred and Annie Arnold. Following his WW2 service in the US Army, Sammie joined an apprenticeship program with TVA, and later accepted a position at AEDC, where he see Obits ctd. pg. 8

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