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Wednesday, February 18, 2015

Powder substances found on speeding driver with infant in car

Melissa Ashburn, 32, Laura Court Centerline, Mi., was charged with DUI, Poss. of Drug Para., Reckless Driving, Reckles Endangerment, and Simple Possession.

SGT Jerramie Bowen LCSO, was running radar on I-75 north at the 72 exit. The above vehicle a white jeep Cherokee with Michigan registration did come

(see Reckless pg. 4)



Melissa Ashburn

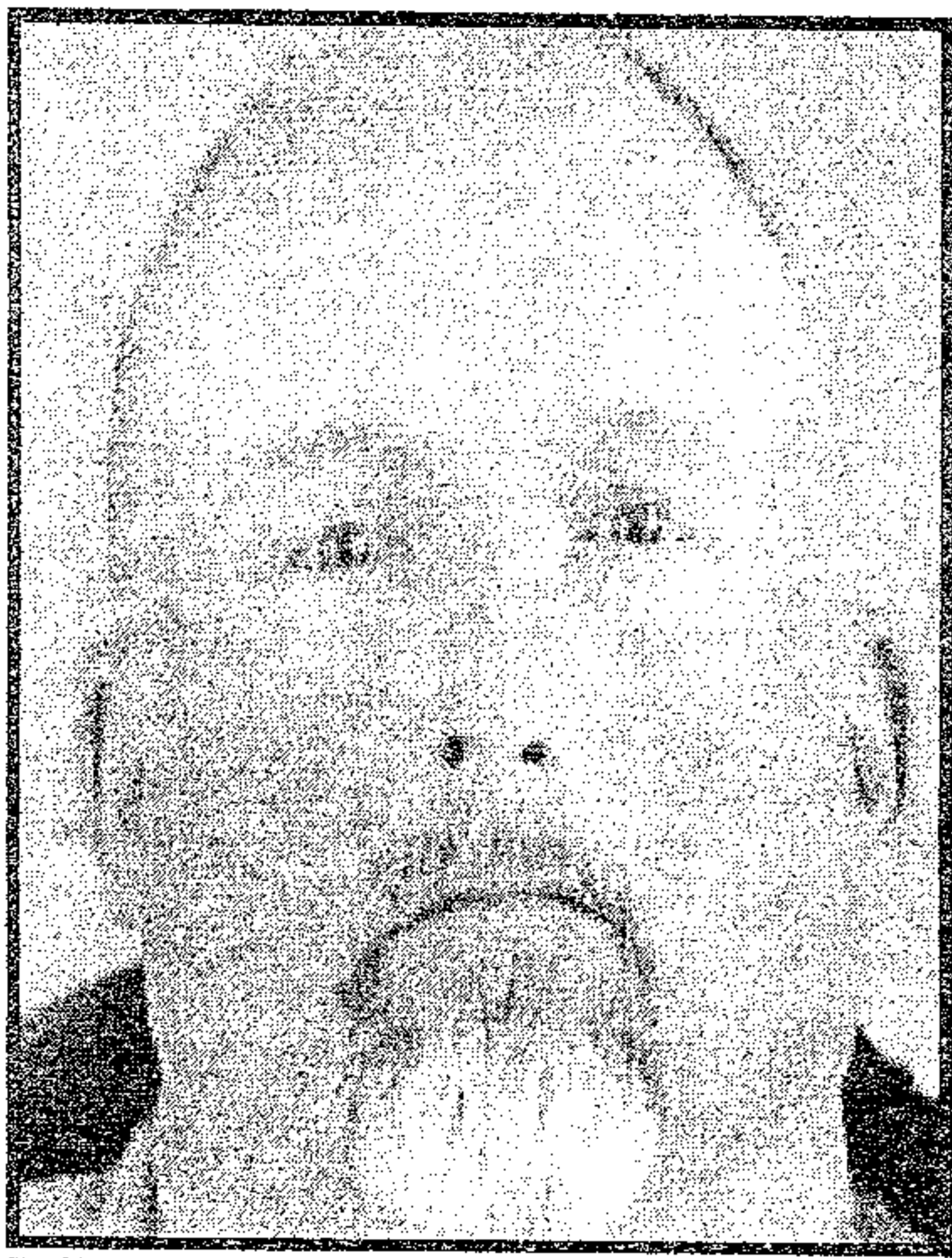
LC man charged after violent attack on victim and law enforcement



Cletis McCurry

(see Attack pg. 3)

Switching tags still don't work



Mitchell Presley

(see Theft pg. 5)

THP charges man after wreck



Jason Hirn

(see THP pg. 5)

Electrical Inspector Defrauds Contractors and State of TN

A special investigation by the Comptroller's Office has revealed that Susan Scearce, a former state deputy electrical inspector, overcharged electrical contractors at least \$5,033. This investigation was completed in conjunction with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation.

Susan Scearce, who resides in Lauderdale County, is the sole proprietor of SNS Electrical Inspections, P.C., and worked as

a contract inspector for the Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance (TDCI) from October 2006 to February 2012.

Investigators found that during the period March 2011 through November 2011, Scearce overcharged electrical contractors and then submitted paperwork to TDCI resulting in excess compensation of at least \$2,512 paid to her by the State of Tennessee.

(see Fraud pg. 2)

Verse of the Day

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. — 1 Peter 5:6-7

Obituaries

see inside
Wazzup
A HUGE Shout Out to Tommy and the crew at the Stop N Shop in Loudon! Thanks for having a WiFi spot!

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Weather

Today: Today: Mainly cloudy with snow showers around in the morning. High 29F.

Tonight: A few clouds. A few flurries or snow show-

ers possible. Low -2F. Thursday Intervals of clouds and sunshine. A few flurries or snow showers possible. High around 15F. Thursday night: Clear skies. Low -12F.

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Fraud

Ms. Searce was able to facilitate her scheme by misclassifying some standard inspections as more costly "non-standard" inspections and, in several instances, charging for inspections she did not perform. She also forged contractor signatures on some permits and inspection forms.

Dyer County Grand Jury indicted Susan Searce on two counts of theft over \$1,000.

The Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance has corrected its processes that allowed these overcharges to occur and not be detected timely.

"Ms. Searce not only defrauded contractors, she also submitted false forms to the

State of Tennessee," Comptroller Justin P. Wilson said. "Most of Tennessee's electrical inspectors are contract workers, and I'm pleased to see the TDCI take steps to prevent overcharges from occurring."

To view the special investigation report online, go to: <http://www.comptroller.tn.gov/ia/>.

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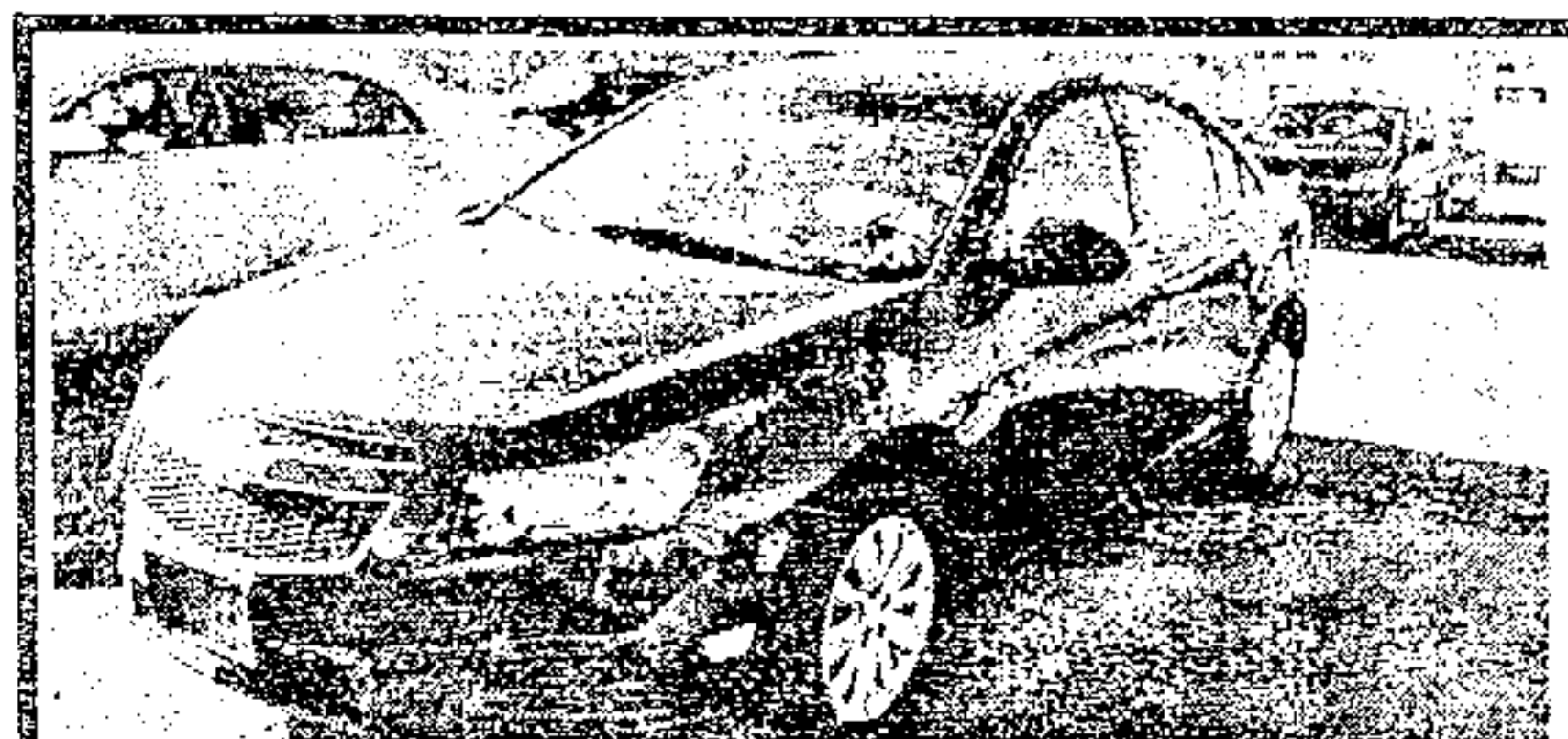
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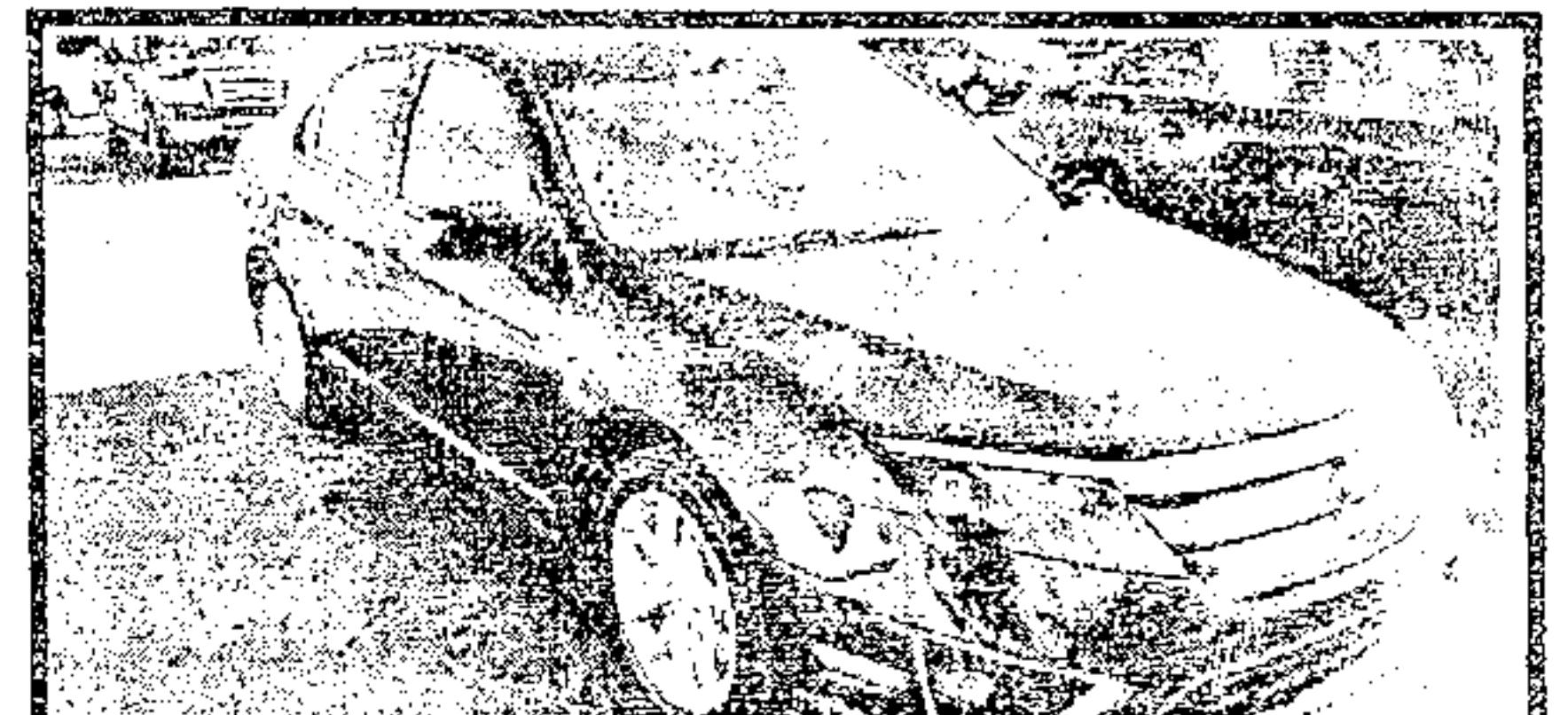
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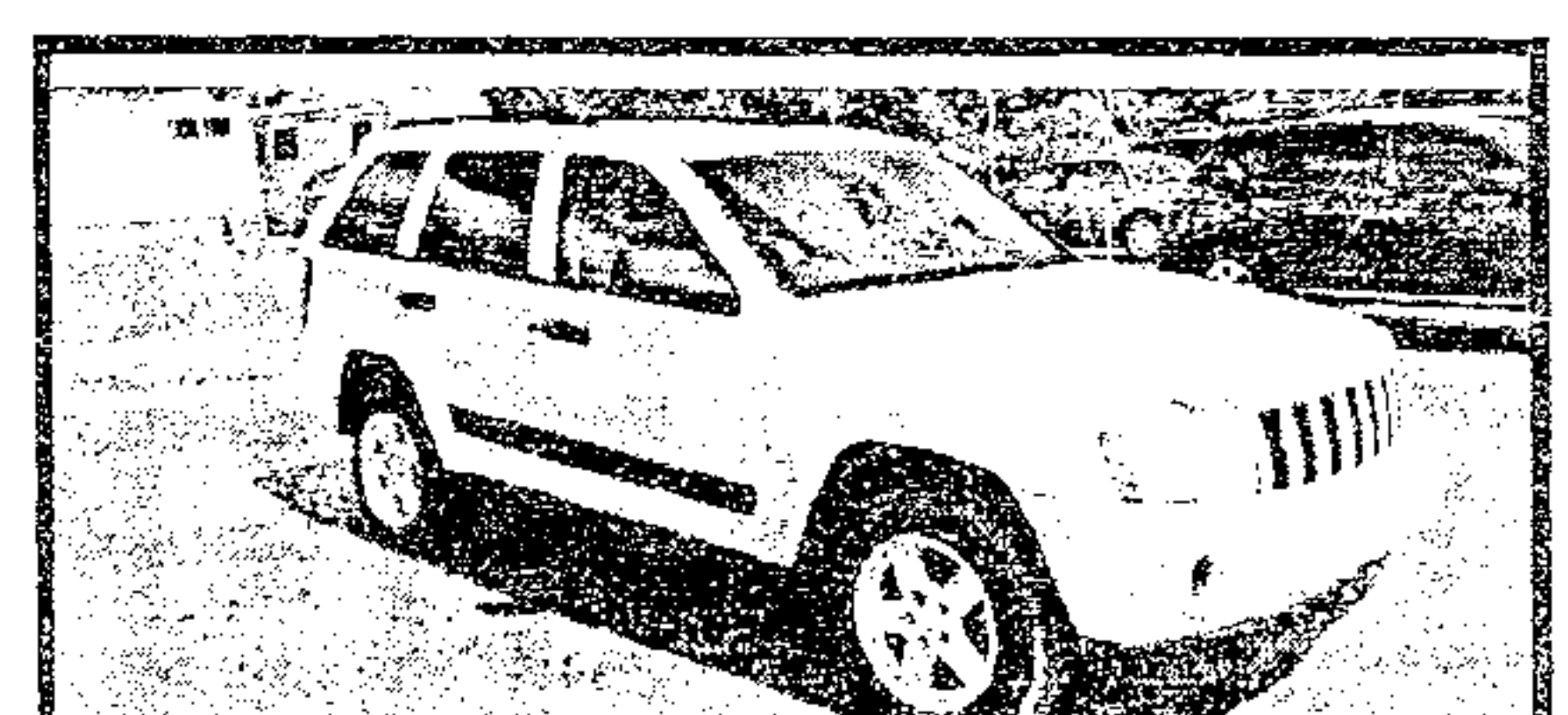
2012 Ford Fusion SEL - 84k, Back Up Camera, Auto, Loaded, PW, PL, Gas Saver



2009 Dodge Caravan- keyless entry, dvd, pw, pl, low miles, a/c, heat



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Attack

Cletis McCurry, 47, Hall Street Lenoir City, was charged with Domestic Assault, Aggravated Assault, and Resisting Arrest.

Deputy J.C. Schultz LCSO, answered a domestic call at Hall St. Upon arrival Deputy contacted one party of the domestic, Mr. Cletis McCurry, whom smelled strongly of alcohol. Deputy asked Mr. McCurry to come outside and talk with the officer and he refused to do so. Mr. McCurry refused to comply with this Deputy's commands to put his hands behind his back, and tried to lunge at this Deputy with his left hand that had a copper colored lockblade razor knife inside it. This Deputy used empty open hand techniques on Mr. McCurry to attempt to affect an arrest. Mr. McCurry continued to resist, and refused to drop the knife, at which point this Deputy deployed a Taser to minimize injury to Mr. McCurry. Mr. McCurry was arrested and transported to the Loudon County Jail by this Deputy. On the way to the jail Mr. McCurry became verbally abusive and started kicking Deputy's cruiser ceiling and door in an attempt to knock out

the light above his head. The other party of the Domestic, gave a written statement that said her step father, Mr. Cletis McCurry had pushed her down and put his foot on her stomach and choked her, at which point she threw sheep Sheers at him and got up and destroyed his house. Another party whom witnessed this event, also lives at Hall St. and gave a written statement that said Mr. McCurry had put his foot in victims face when she and Mr. McCurry had argued over victim boyfriend. Witness further stated that she had broke up the fight, and later they heard Deputy and Sgt Watkins at the door and Mr. McCurry stated that he had something in his hand for whoever came inside his house. Victim was transported to Fort Loudon Emergency Room.

Both victim and witness stated that they would be staying at a friends house. Deputy JC Schultz LCSO, made the arrest.

Obituaries

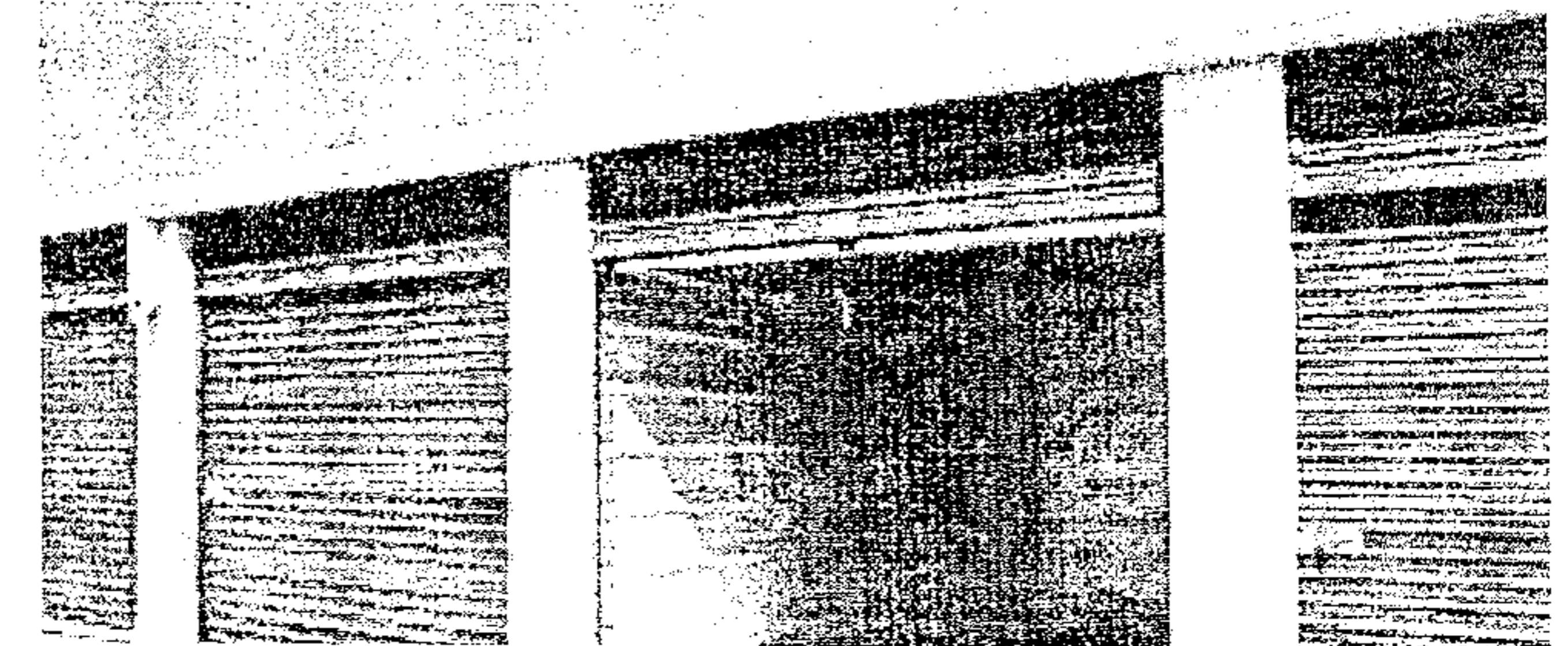
John Thomas Everly - age 71 of Lenoir City, passed away Saturday, February 14, 2015. He was a member of Grace Baptist Church in Knoxville. He was a veteran serving in the United

States Navy and a retired security guard. John was preceded in death by his parents, Sim and Lynette Everly. Survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Tracy and David Harold; granddaughter, Amber Harold and grandson, Michael Harold; great grandchildren, Kalynn and Tucker all of Lenoir City; sister, Brenda Hart and husband, Bill of Florida; brother, Kenneth Everly and wife, Linda of TX, along with nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 12-1 p.m. Tuesday at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Private interment will be in Illinois. Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Linda Kay Bradburn - age 60 of Maryville passed away suddenly Friday, February 13, 2015 in Jonesboro, AR. She was of the Baptist faith and a longtime waitress at Dubb's (see Obits ctd. pg. 7)

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Reckless

by the exit north bound Sgt. did clock the vehicle by radar at 94 mph. Sgt. then caught up to the vehicle and the vehicle did change from the fast lane to the slow lane almost striking a tractor trailer in the front end. The tractor trailer did bright light her. Sgt. then got in behind the vehicle and turned my emergency lights on and the vehicle then went from the slow lane into the fast lane into the median of the interstate. Sgt. then made contact with the driver later identified as Melissa Ashburn. Miss Ashburn had slurred speech and was very lethargic. Sgt. then asked her to exit the vehicle so he could check her eyes because they were pin point. Sgt. then asked Miss Ashburn for consent to search her vehicle and she did consent. Inside the vehicle in the front seat was her wallet with her identification. In the middle part of her wallet was a small pink bag with a white powder substance unknown. Also there was a straw with white powder residue inside it. Also inside a bottle of medicine (Alprazolam) was a clear capsule with white powder residue inside. Also another

bottle of medicine with the same name had a small brown cigarette with what is belived to be Marijuana. Sgt. did read Miss Ashburn her Miranda rights and she stated she did understand them. Sgt. then placed her under arrest for Reckless driving Reckless endangerment DUI Simple possession of Marijuana and Possession of drug Paraphernalia she was also given a citation for speeding. Inside the vehicle was a 7 month old child which was Miss ashburns child. DCS was contacted and took possession of the child. Sgt. then transported Miss Ashburn to the Loudon County Jail. Once at the jail I read her a copy of implied consent which she refused and also refused to continue field sobriety. Sgt. Jerramie Bowen LCSO, made the arrest.

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Restaurant in Alcoa. Linda was preceded in death by her parents, James and Lucille Roberts; brothers: James "Jr." Roberts, Don, Carl

and Sammy Roberts; sisters: Geneva Lucille, Wilma Jean and Evelyn (Roberts) McKee. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Chris and Tonya Scarbrough of Lenoir City; daughter, Jennifer Murphy of Jonesboro, AR; grandchildren: Cody Buchanan, C.J. Scarbrough, Matthew Scarbrough, Hailey Scarbrough, Hayden Scarbrough, Whitney Sanders; great grandchild, Cooper Buchanan; sisters and brothers-in-law: Shirley (Roberts) Shannon, Carolyn Sue and Reed Shoffner, Kathy and Billy Russell, Marie Gladys and Red Purcell; brothers and sister-in-law, Ralph and Ada Roberts. Gary Roberts along with many nieces and nephews. Linda also leaves behind her beloved pet, Angel. The family will receive friends from 3-5 p.m. Wednesday at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at 5 p.m. in the Click Funeral Home Chapel. Family and friends will gather at 1 p.m. Thursday in the Forest Hill Cemetery in Maryville for graveside services and interment. Memorials may be made to the funeral home to

help with funeral expenses. Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

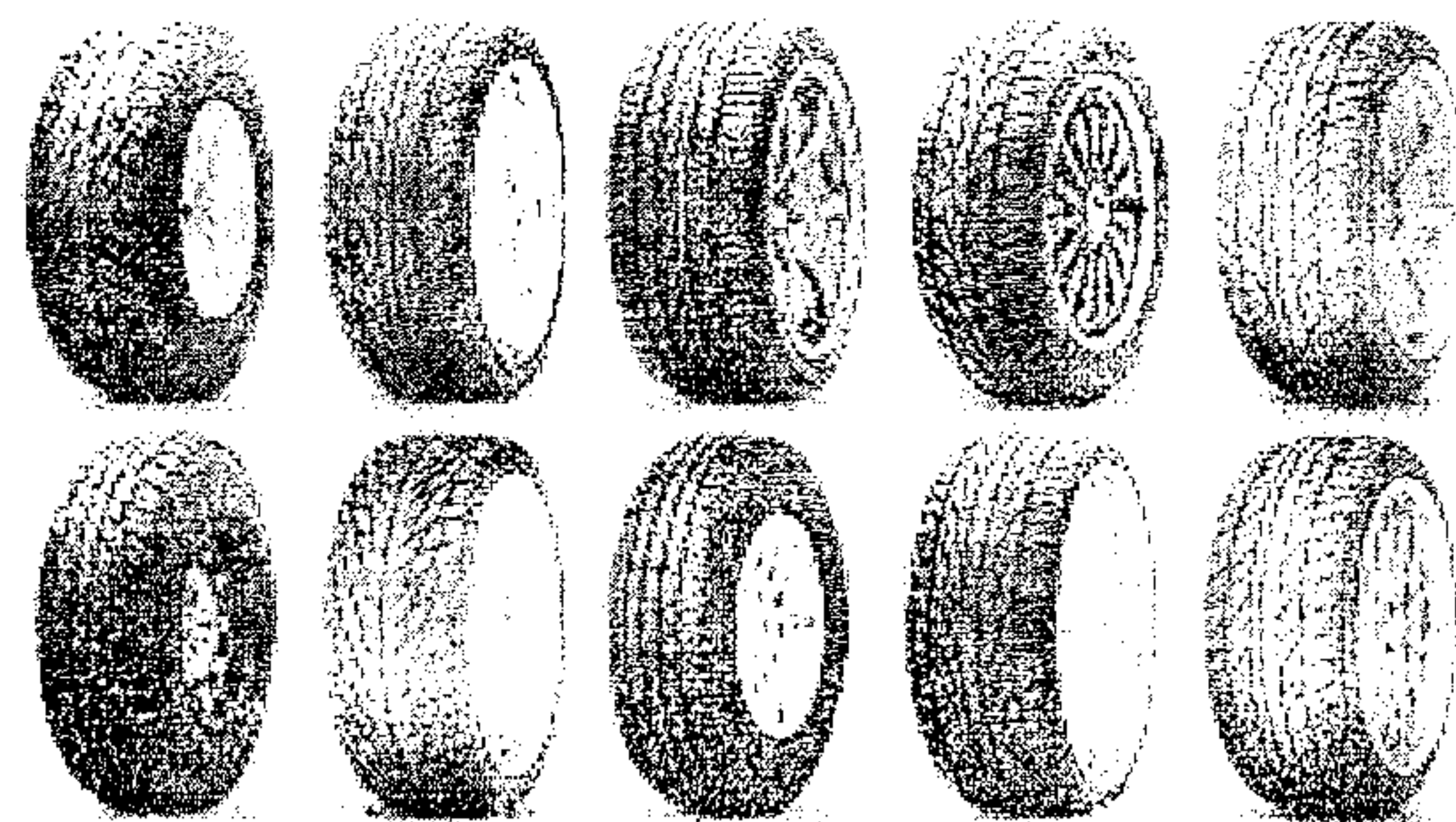
Clarence (Bud) McKenna - age 86 of the Tellico Village Community, Loudon, TN passed away Thurs-

day February 12, 2015. Clarence was preceded in death by his parents Renetta & Harold McKenna. Suvivors include his wife Marilyn, three sons, three daughter in-laws, & three grand

(see Obits conc. pg. 8)

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THP

Jason Hirn, 35, Pry-tania St. New Orleans, was charged with DUI.

According to the report, Trooper Ryan Smith THP, rolled up on a single vehicle accident on Pine Grove Road. The vehicle had ran in a ditch.

Trooper observed a male subject sitting on the hood later identified as Jason Hirn, who

was the driver of the vehicle. Trooper noticed Jason had a strong odor of alcoholic beverage emitting from his person, slurred speech, and could not stand up on his own power without assistance.

The report noted, Jason refused sobriety test and was placed under arrest.

Trooper Ryan Smith THP, made the arrest.

Theft

Mitchell Presley, 43, County Road Athens, was charged with Theft of Property. Officer Christian Dragon LCPD, responded to Walmart on a theft call. Mitchell was observed by loss prevention selecting fishing lures from sporting goods. Mitchell then went to the toy dept. and then began changing bar

codes from less expensive items to the more expensive items, then proceeded to pay for items with the changed bar codes. Mitchell was placed under arrest. Officer Christian Dragon LCPD, made the arrest.

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children. After working for Michigan Bell for 30 Years, he retired & continued his career as Building Superintendent

for Garden City Hospital. He was a member of All Saints Church in Knoxville. A memorial service is planned for sometime in the future. Click Funeral Home is serving the family.

Troy L. Wilson 63 of Lenoir City passed away Saturday Morning at his home. Troy was Maintenance superintendent of Concord Park and preceded in death by his parents; Denver and Iva Burnette Wilson, brothers, Roy, Freddie, Donnie. And Son, Richard Wilson. survivors, wife, Louise Joiner Wilson, daughter, Lora Jane Wilson of Philadelphia, brother, Billy Wilson of Knoxville, sisters, Wanda Faye Ballard of Sweetwater, Lois Wilson of Knoxville, Molly and Danny Larrance of New Market, Barbara Presley of Sweetwater. Grandchildren, Matthew Bright, Natasha Phillips, great-grandchildren, Elana Sanes, Gracie Phillips, Gus Phillips. Many friends and special friends, Chuck James and David James and Tim Burchett of Knoxville. In-lieu of Flowers the family requests donations to the American Cancer Society P.O. Box 154 Loudon, Tn 37774 Funeral service 7 p.m. Sunday Loudon Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Donnie Baker officiating. Family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. prior to the service at Loudon Funeral Home www.loudonfuneralhome.net

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Revoked driver gets pot charge

Nikki Coleman, 27, B Street Lenoir City, was charged Driving on Revoked License, and Simple Possession. Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, observed a vehicle fail to dim their high beam light at on-coming traffic. Deputy stopped the vehicle on Hwy 70. Deputy identified the driver as Nikki Coleman, who had a strong odor of alcohol on her person. Nikki license were suspended. Deputy ask if she had anything illegal on her she stated that she had marijuana inside her purse. Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, made the arrest.



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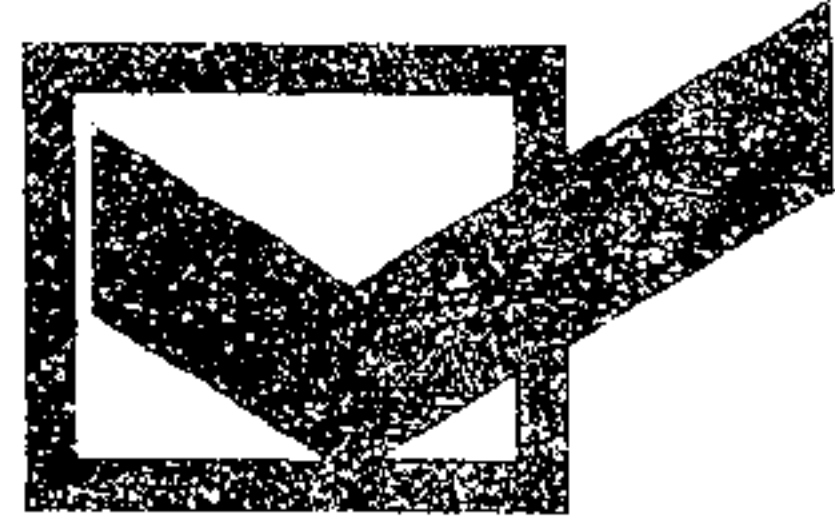
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