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2 Charged After Being Caught by Deputy Ketner

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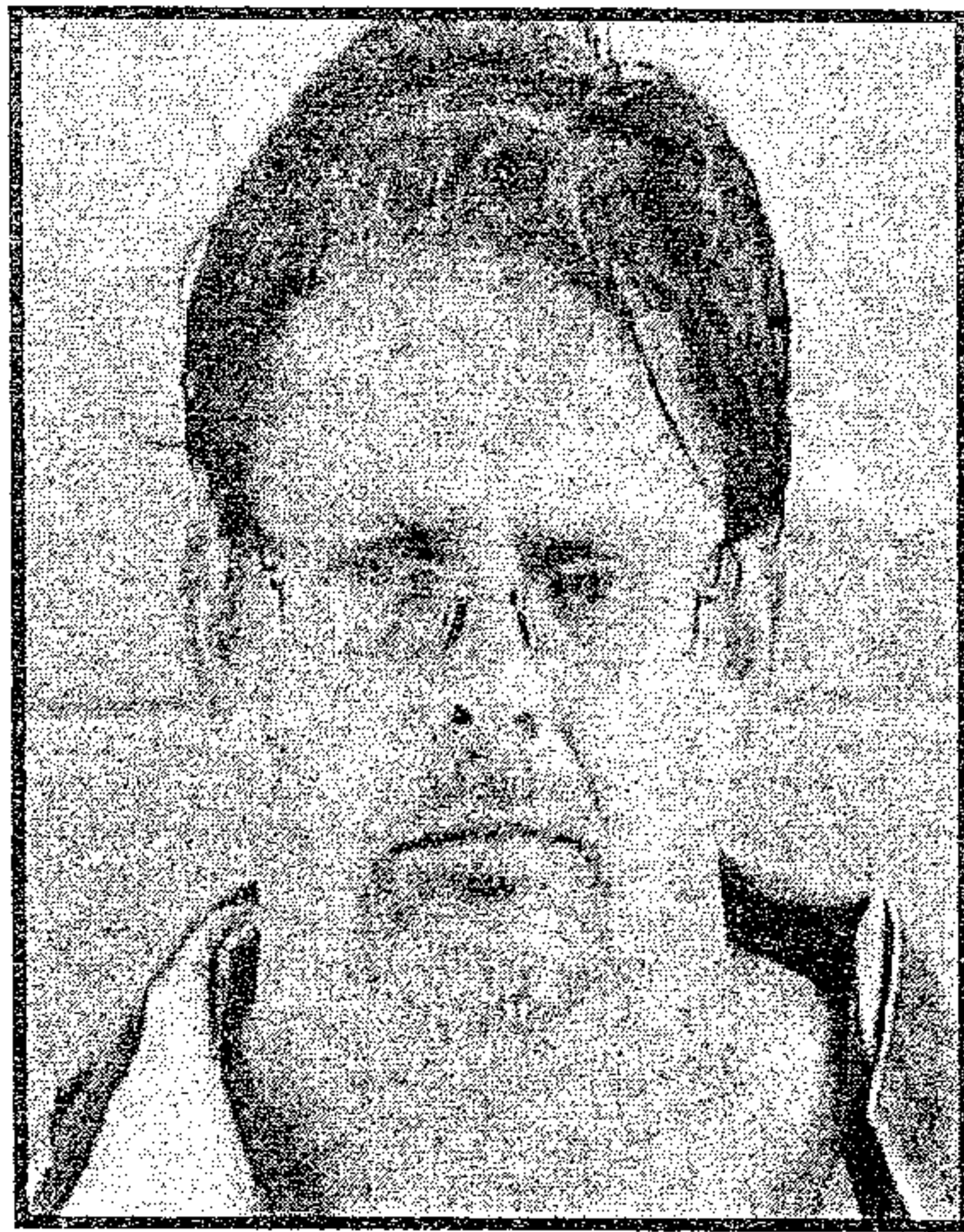


Shanda Gibson



Lesa McCulloch

Meth registry violation



Daryl Moore

(see Capias pg. 5)

Crash ends with DUI and stolen vehicle



Douglas Seivers

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TWRA Requests Public Input for 2015-16 Hunting Regulations Proposals

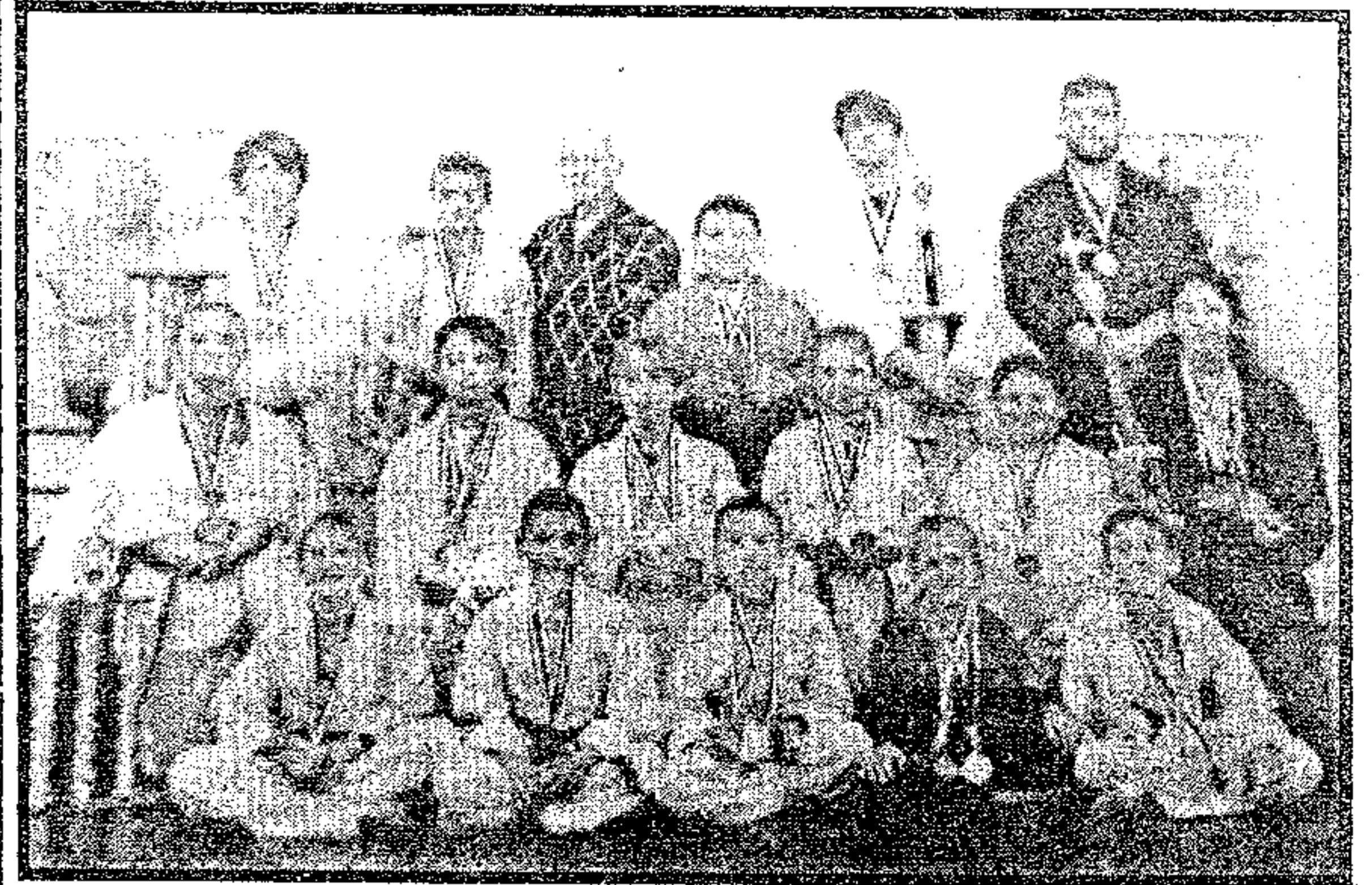
As announced at the April meeting of the Tennessee Fish and Wildlife Commission, The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency is now soliciting comments for its 2015-16 hunting seasons' regulations proposals. This is an opportunity for the public to share ideas and concerns about hunting

regulations with TWRA staff.

At the April meeting, Agency staff presented the TFWC Wildlife Management Committee with recommendations including increased deer hunting opportunities in Claiborne and Rhea counties. The Wild-

(see TWRA pg. 3)

TTJC Martial Arts Expo



TTJC Loudon and Master Patterson hosted the 2nd Annual Martial Arts Expo Tournament on March 28, 2015 at Philadelphia School. The Loudon students took home multiple gold, silver and bronze medals in the event.

Verse of the Day

And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. — Philip-
pians 4:19

Obituaries

see inside

Wazzup

A Big Shout Out to DD and Bob! Hope the Hootenanny went well and y'all had a memorable weekend.

Weather

Today: A mix of clouds and

sun in the morning followed by cloudy skies during the afternoon. High 69F.

Tonight: Some clouds early will give way to generally clear conditions overnight. Low 46F.

Saturday Except for a few afternoon clouds, mainly

sunny. High 78F.

Saturday Night A mostly clear sky. Low 49F.

Sunday Except for a few afternoon clouds, mainly sunny. High around 80F.

Sunday Night Clear skies. Low 54F.

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Lawsuit filed in fatal Loudon bus crash

The family of a Knoxville woman killed in a head-on collision with a Loudon County school bus in February has filed a wrongful-death lawsuit against the bus driver and the bus contractor.

The complaint, which seeks

\$6 million in damages, was filed in March in Loudon County Circuit Court by Cynthia Montooth's mother, Donna Millsaps of Monroe County.

Montooth, 45, died Feb. 5 after her SUV collided head-on with the bus driven by Larry Harbin on U.S. Highway 11 near Calloway Road. Harbin and three Loudon High

School students were injured.

The lawsuit contends Montooth was traveling southbound on U.S. 11 in the proper lane when the bus suddenly veered across the centerline and into her path.

A report by Tennessee High-

way Patrol Trooper Alexander Evans lists Montooth's SUV as the first to cross the centerline.

"The driver of (the bus) made an unsuccessful attempt to avoid" the SUV, Evans

(see Lawsuit ctd. pg. 7)



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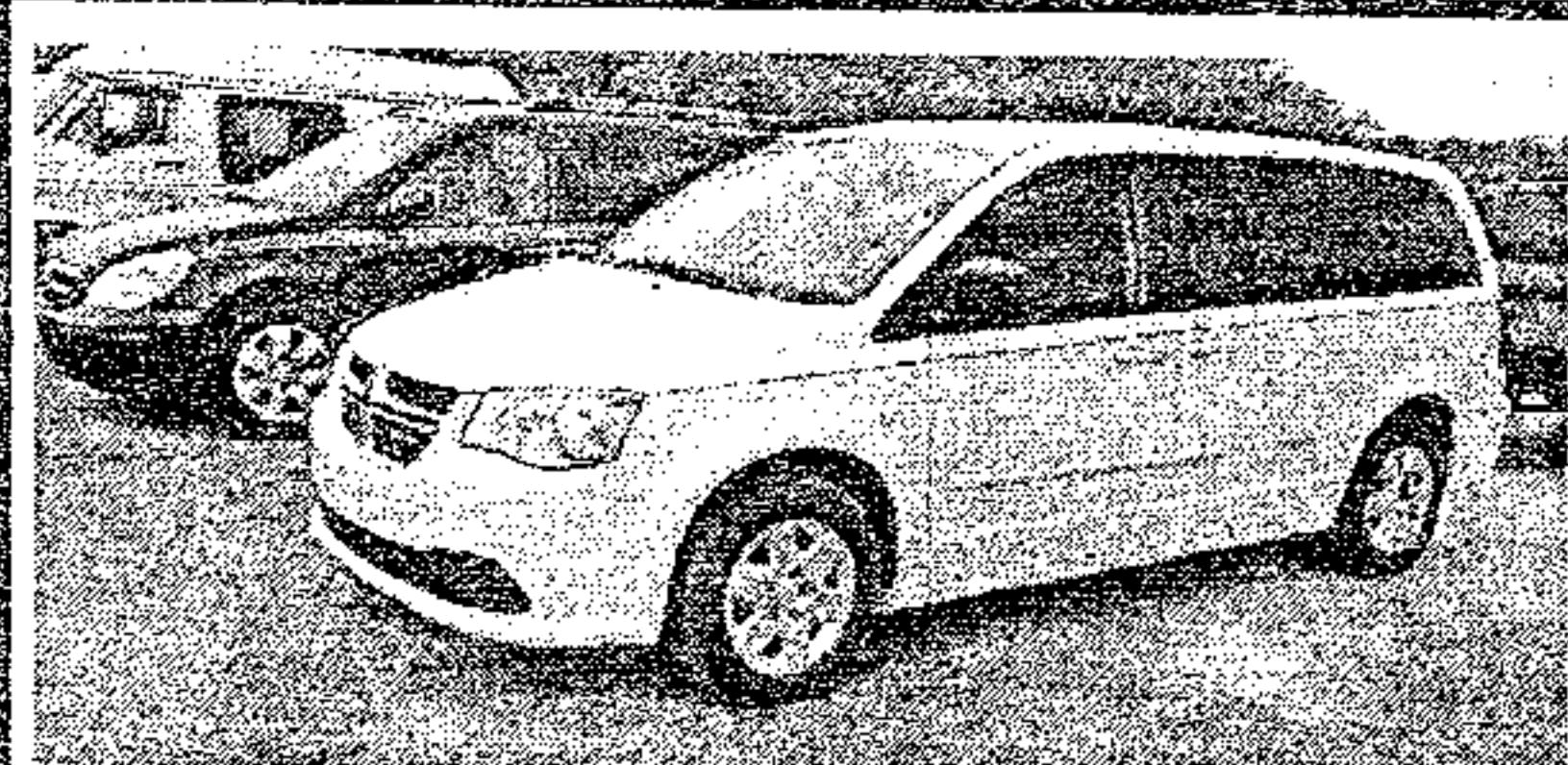
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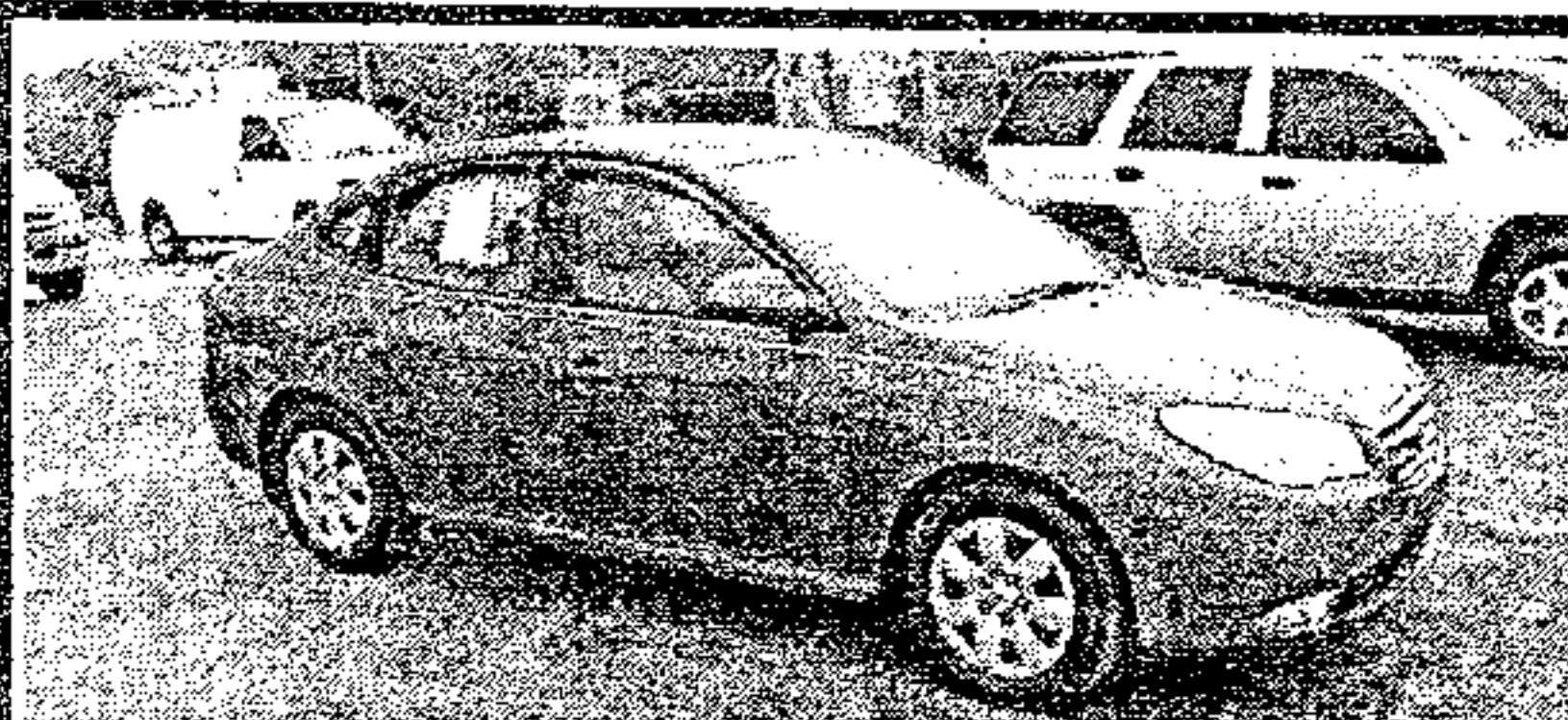
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life Committee passed a motion directing TWRA staff to develop a proclamation for a two-buck limit; which allows for public discussion and comment on this potential change in deer harvest regulations. An increase in elk zones from 5 to 7 with no increase in permits issued was proposed to reduce harvest pressure on certain zones.

There was also a recommendation to change turkey regulations on bottomland Wildlife Management Areas in West Tennessee by moving 14 WMAs from quota hunts to non-quota hunts and five WMAs from statewide regulations to non-quota hunts. Fall turkey hunting in Middle Tennessee was proposed to be closed in four counties and reduced in 16 others due to hunter concerns over population levels in the specific counties.

A date change to the bear dog training season and a zone expansion to include all of Hamilton County were proposed. New regulations were recommended for the recently acquired 1,800 acre Happy Hollow WMA in Hickman County. Several other minor WMA regulations were proposed and a copy of all the regulation proposals can be found on the TWRA website, by clicking here.

Public comments will be considered by TWRA's Wildlife Division staff and may be presented as proposals for regulation changes. Comments may be submitted by mail to: 2015-16 Hunting Season Comments, TWRA, Wildlife Management Division, P.O. Box 40747, Nashville, TN 37204 or emailed to twra.comment@tn.gov. Please include "Hunting Season Comments" on the subject line of emailed submissions.

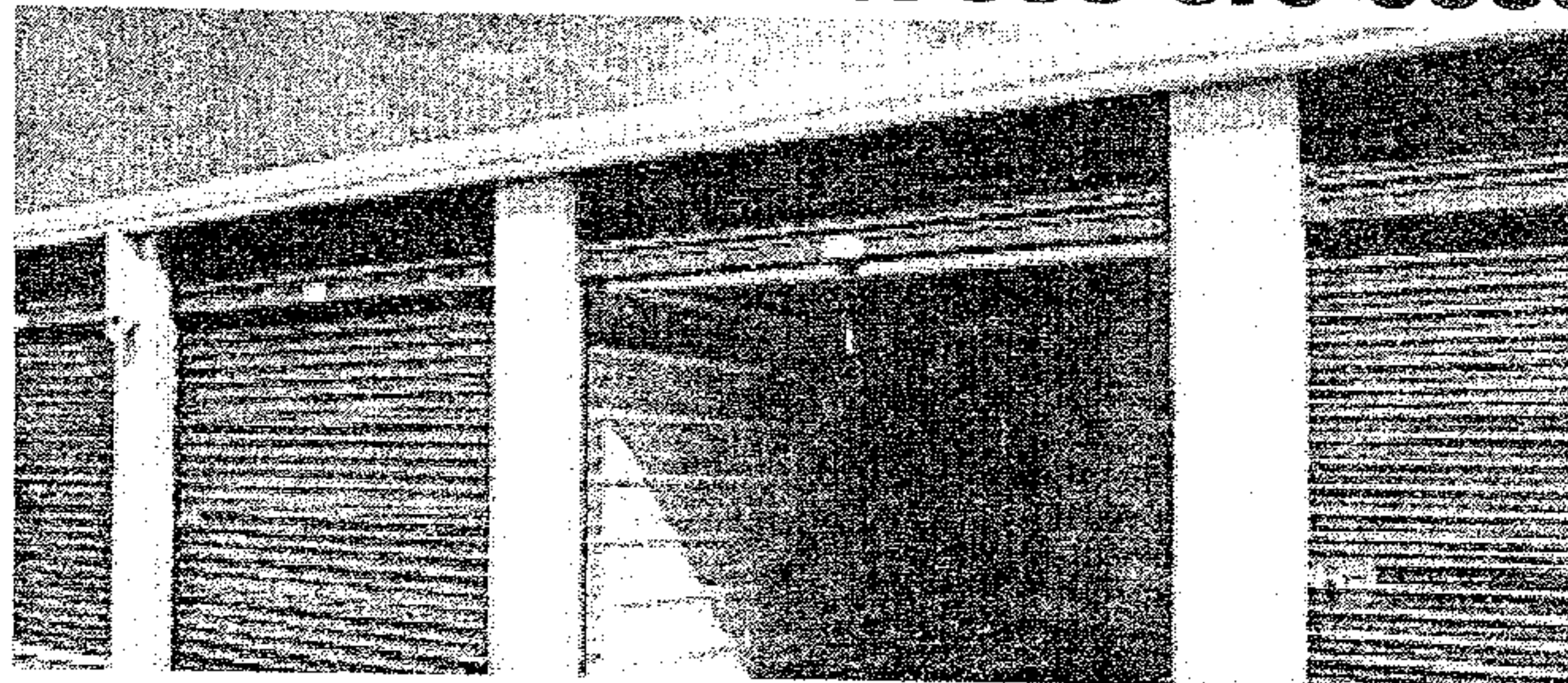
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cerning the 2015-16 proposed hunting seasons regulations will be open until May 18, 2015.

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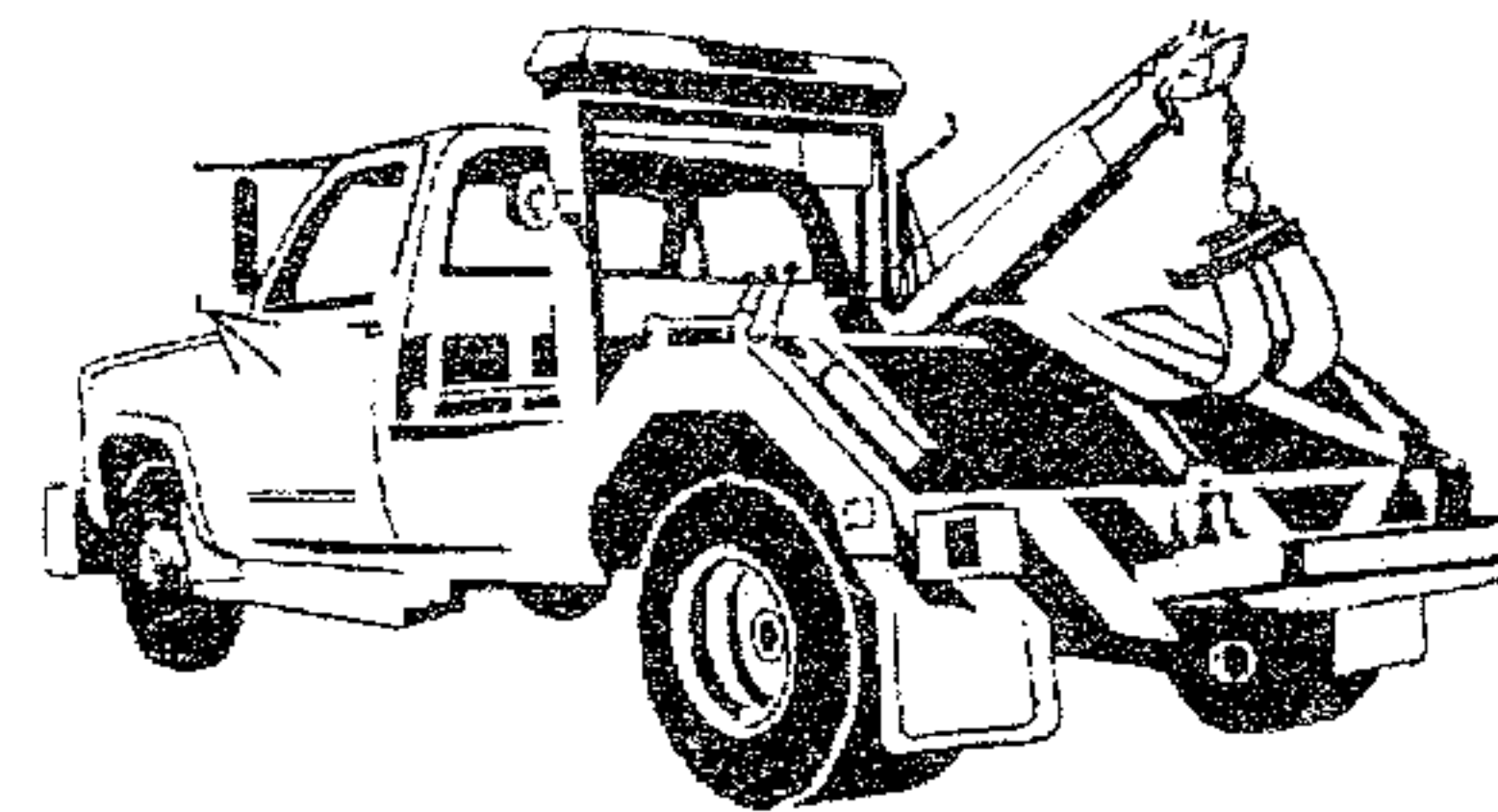
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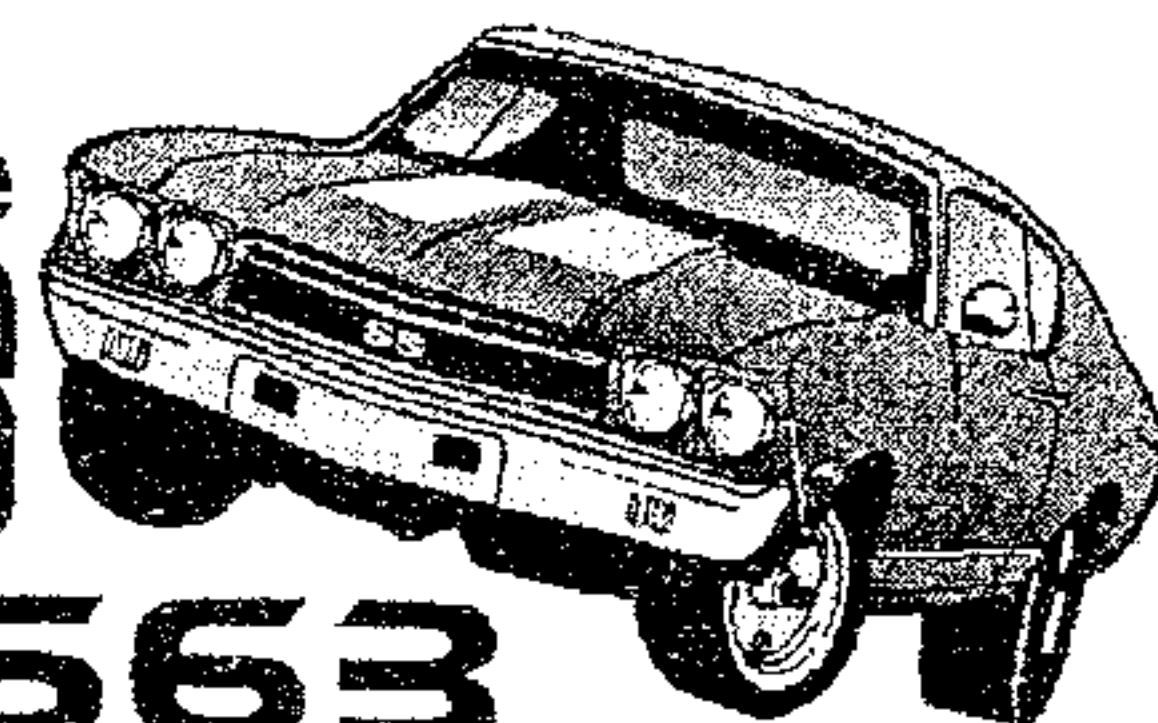
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Caught

Lesa McCulloch, 52, Monroe Street Madisonville, was charged with Poss. of SCH. II & III Drug, Poss. of Drug Para., Simple Possession, and Tampering/Fabricating with Evidence.

Shanda Gibson, 35, Hill Loop Madisonville, was charged with Poss. of SCH. II & III, Poss. of Drug Para., Simple Possession, and Tampering/Fabricating with Evidence.

Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, was behind a red vehicle on Spring Street. The vehicle was driving at a slow pace, and turned into Philadelphia Elementary School. Deputy pulled up beside the driver and the driver Lesa McCulloch stated she was lost. Deputy got out of the patrol car to give directions and noticed a open bottle of beer in the console. Lesa stated the beer belonged to her husband. Deputy identified the passenger as Shanda Gibson. Deputy ask if there was anything illegal inside the vehicle they stated no. Lesa gave consent to search the vehicle and inside Lesa's purse following items was found: 3 straws, baggie with white powder, 5 grams of marijuana, set of digital scales, and pack of rolling papers. In the back floorboard behind the driver seat there was a small hand bag the following items were found: meth pipe, marijuana pipe, set of scales, calcula-

tor, 4 tweezers, 2 pipe cutters, 6 batteries, 7 pipes, 1 needle, 1 white pill(3203 Watson), 2 boxes of razor blades, and 1 gram of marijuana. On the passenger side door there was 1

needle with a clear substance in it. Also found was a baggie with a crystal substance in the floorboard. The crystal substance was tested at the jail and tested positive for methamphet-

ine. Both were placed under arrest. Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, made the arrest.

Obituaries

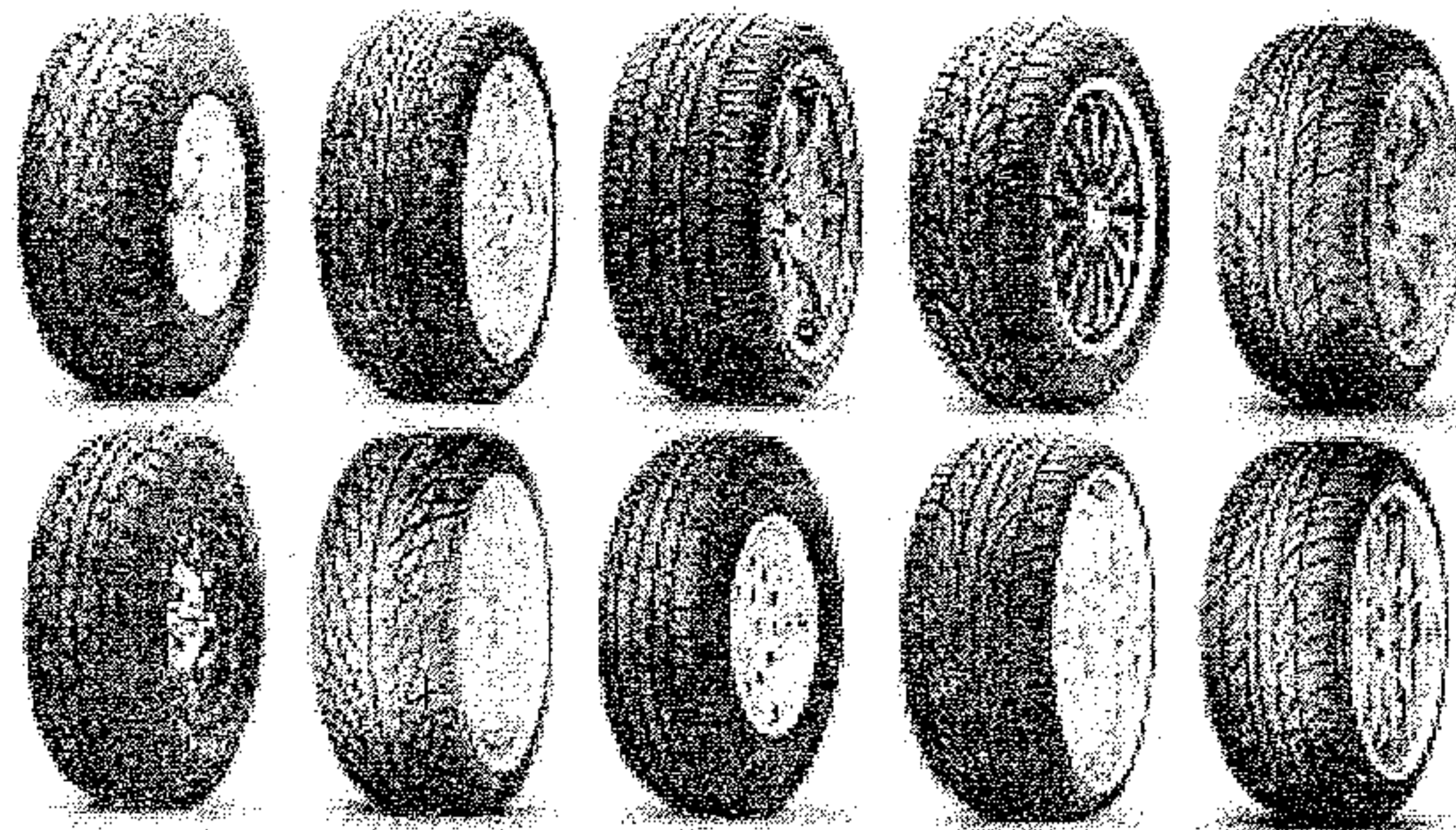
Bradley Lee Allen - age 82 of Loudon, formerly of Farragut went to be with the Lord, Wednesday, April 22, 2015. He was born in Charleston, W. VA. Brad was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather. In 1992, he retired from Keebler Co. as an account manager. Brad enjoyed boating and being with his family, especially his grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, George B. and Sylvia and brother, George H. Allen.

Brad is survived by his wife of 63 years, Sophia Allen; daughter and son-in-law, Resa and David Bryant; son, Brad Allen; grandchildren, Bradley Allen (Rachel), Brayden Allen Hanson (Rachel), Corey Allen (Gracie); great-grandchildren, Natalie, Landon, and Corbin; sisters, Barbara Haynes and husband, Frank, Joyce Ann Dawson and husband, Audrey; brother, Paul Allen and wife, Edith; several nieces and nephews. A Celebration of Life will be held at 12 noon on Saturday, May 2, 2015 at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. The family will receive friends immediately following the service until

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Loudon County Budget Committee meeting schedule:

The following meetings will begin at 4:30 PM at the County Office Building:

- Wednesday, May 6th
- Monday, May 11th
- Wednesday, May 13th
- Thursday, May 14th

The regular May monthly meeting will proceed as previously scheduled, on Monday May 18th, 4:00 PM at the County Office Building

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DUI

Douglas Seivers, 18, Hannah Ave Knoxville, was charged with DUI, and Theft of Property. Trooper Eric Miller THP, was conducting a patrol operation on Hwy 95/321. Contact was made with a white vehicle that appeared in a traffic crash. Contact was made with

the drive identified as Douglas Seivers, who stated to Trooper that he had struck a curb. Douglas displayed slurred speech, droopy eyes, was sluggish, and appeared to be drowsy. Douglas was ask to perform sobriety test and could not perform as instructed. A vehicle registration was conducted revealing the white vehicle was

stolen out o Knoxville. Douglas was placed under arrest. Trooper Eric Miller THP, made the arrest.

Capias

Daryl Moore, 52, County Road Niota, was charged with Criminal Court Capias. Cpl. Rondel Branam LCSO, arrested Daryl Moore on a Capias Warrant for Purchase/Attempt

to Purchase while on Meth Registry x2 on Sunny Side Road Philadelphia, and transported to Loudon Jail.

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2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to your favorite charity to remember Brad. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Loretta Joyce Werner, 81, of Loudon, Ten-

nessee, passed away unexpectedly April 20, 2015. She was born on September 4, 1933 in Alexandria, NY, the second daughter to the late Alice and Harold Stakel. Loretta graduated from Batavia High School in 1951 where she had been an active member of The Choristers chorale. She married the late William Werner in 1952 and they lived a life of love and adventure in New York, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, and England before settling down in their beloved Tellico Village home. Loretta enjoyed playing Jokers and Pegs, Euchre, and Bridge with her neighbors and friends as well as the personal challenge of the daily crossword and cryptogram puzzles. Her passion for the last six years was learning to play the organ and she enjoyed taking classes at the Bill Jones Studio. She is survived by her children; Deborah Werner of Royal Oak, MI, Pamela Munsell and husband John of Grand Blanc, MI, and Todd Werner of Kalamazoo, MI; her grandchildren; Bentley and Emery Shriver Munsell, Andrea Huls, Ian Munsell, Megan Werner, Kyle Werner and one great-granddaughter; Brianna Huls. Also surviving Loretta are her sister, Audrey Schurr of Ada Michigan, and Sister-in-law Lois Kedzierski of Pittsburgh, PA as well as many nephews and nieces. She is preceded in death by her husband William Werner and her parents Alice and Harold Stakel. A memorial service is planned for Saturday, May 9, 2015 at 10 a.m. at the Community Church at Tellico Village, 130 Chota Center, Loudon, TN 37774 with Dr. Timo-

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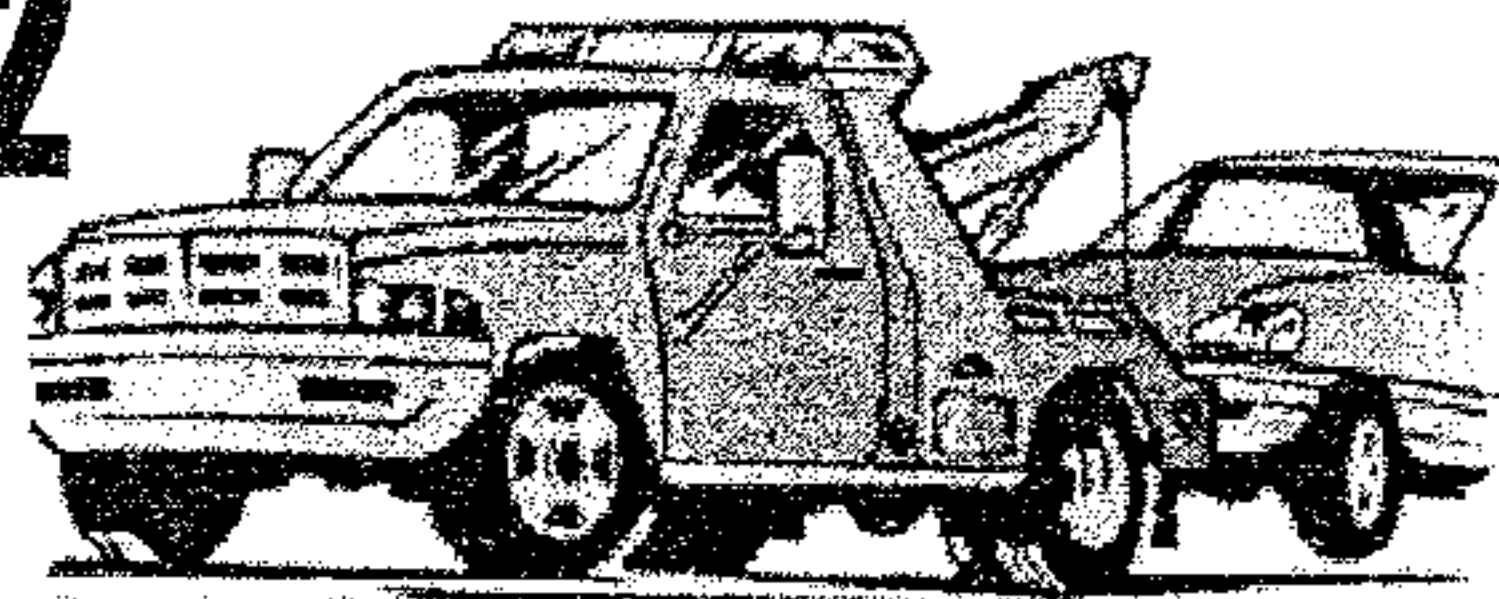
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Lawsuit ctd from pg. 3

wrote. Attorneys Randy Rogers and Jay Kohlbusch represent Monttooth's family. Rogers said photos taken at the crash scene show Monttooth's SUV was in the correct lane.

"If you look at the photos, it's a very different story," he said.

The results of routine drug and alcohol tests on both drivers have not yet been received, according to THP Lt. Bill Miller.

The lawsuit names Harbin and Scott Franks, owner of the bus, as defendants. Neither could be reached for comment.

TBI finds no wrongdoing by Loudon County clerk

A grand jury and the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation have found no evidence of improper conduct by Loudon County Clerk Darlene Russell, but a federal lawsuit filed by a former employee is still progressing.

Former employee Kristy Russell, who is not related to the clerk, filed the lawsuit in U.S. District Court in Knoxville in July alleging she was fired after witnessing violations of state and county policy during her seven years with the clerk's office.

The violations included acceptance of

gifts, a ban on interracial marriage and violations of vehicle registration policies, according to the lawsuit. Kristy Russell also claimed Darlene Russell engaged in campaign activities during work hours and fired her after she supported another candidate in the 2014 primary.

During last week's grand jury meeting a summary report was presented from the office of 9th Judicial District Attorney General Russell Johnson into the allegations of misconduct in Russell's office.

According to an addendum to the grand jury's report, the state Comptroller's Office, the state Department of

Revenue and the TBI all performed parallel investigations into the claims. All three found no evidence of misconduct and no violations of law, according to the report.

Knoxville attorney Katherine Young, who represents Kristy Rus-

sell, said the investigation dealt with specific claims related to the finances of the clerk's office but did not address the wrongful dismissal case.

That case is set for trial in February 2016, Young said.

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