

# The Daily Edition

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Monday, June 22, 2015

## Woman charged after fleeing scene of burglary and cashing stolen check

Deidra Hammons, 22, Homeless was charged with Aggravated Burglary, Theft of Property, Forgery, Vandalism.

According to the report, on 5/26/2015 at approximately 12:10 am, Deputy Jamie Ketner I.C.S.O., was dispatched to Chota View Cir. on a suspicious vehicle. Deputy made contact with the witness. The witness stated that there was a black S.U.V. parked in her parking

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Deidra Hammons

Victim refuses charges; man charged even after walking away



Jeffrey Einkorn

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## Two charged after shootout in the Village

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Jimmy Porter



Brian Moore

## The Good News

by Jeff Vittatoc



### The Joy of Missions

It's no secret that Angie and I have had an unquenchable heart for missions since reading David Platt's first book called "Radical" and participating in our first short term mission trip to Guatemala back in 2010. We quickly dis-

covered that serving the Lord in another context not only helps a Christian to understand what it means to "Love like Jesus", but we believe it is vital to one's personal spiritual growth. While we are currently

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### "The Flag Lady", Rochelle Cordova visits American Legion Post 256



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### Verse of the Day

Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit."  
— John 3:5

### Obituaries

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**Wazzup**

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Today: Mostly sunny skies. High 97F.  
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### Horoscopes

Cancer 6/22-7/22  
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**Police Beat**

Stephanie Armstrong, 29, Kelley Lane Lenoir City, was charged with Failure to Appear. Deputy Olwin Norman LCSO, served a FTA Warrant on Stephanie at the Loudon Co Jail.

Christopher Hutchison, 32, Martmill Knoxville, was charged with Contempt of Court. Deputy Jordan Samuels LCSO, served a Contempt Warrant on Christopher at the Loudon Jail.

Joshua McCowan, 35, Broad Street Sweetwater, was charged with Violation of Probation. Officer David Arden LCPD, served a VOP Warrant on Joshua at the

Loudon Jail.

Charles Thaxton, 51, West Lee Hwy Loudon, was charged with Violation of Community Correction x5. Deputy Jordan Samuels LCSO, served Charles with 5 VOCC Warrants at the Loudon Jail.

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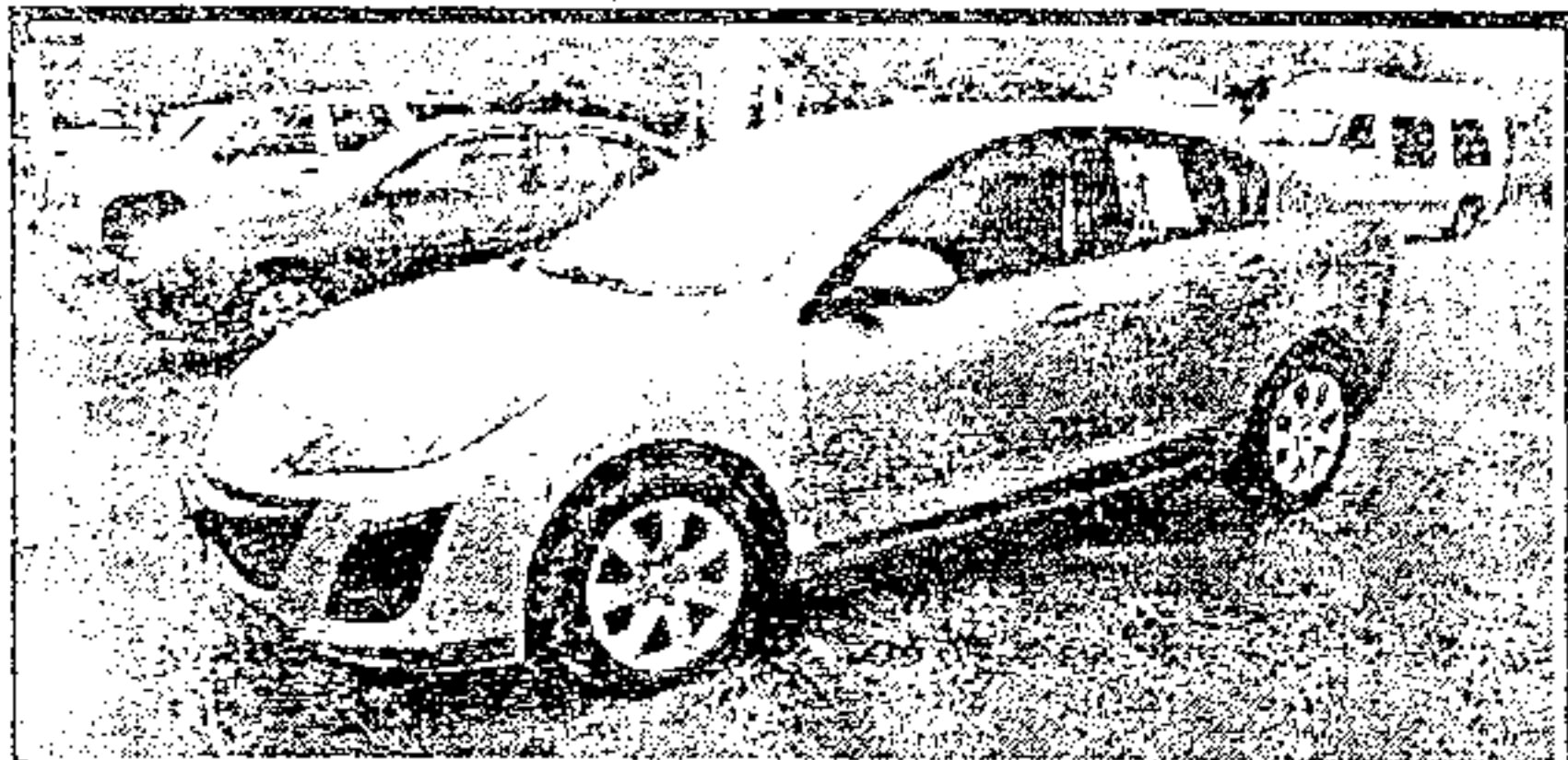
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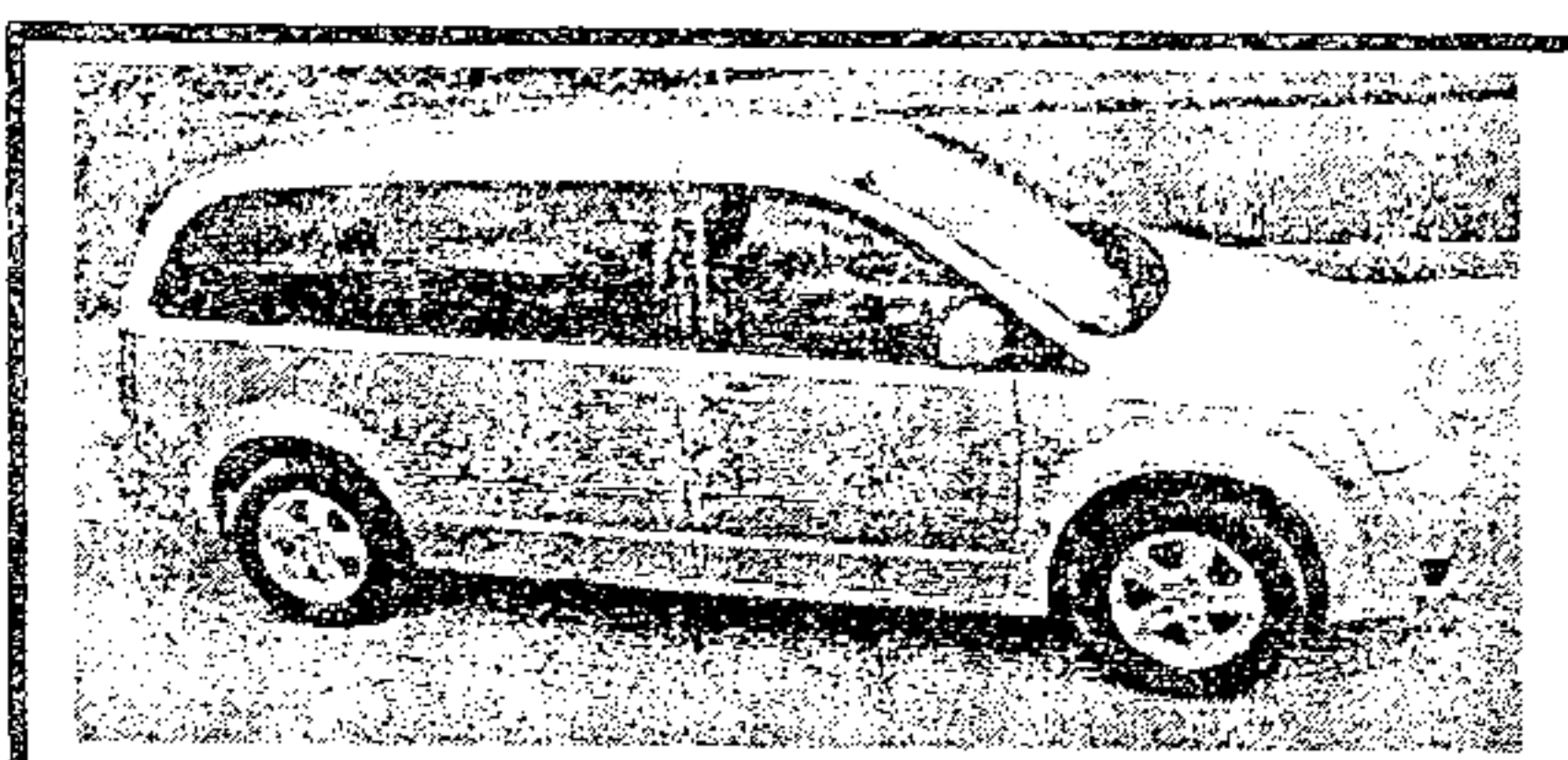
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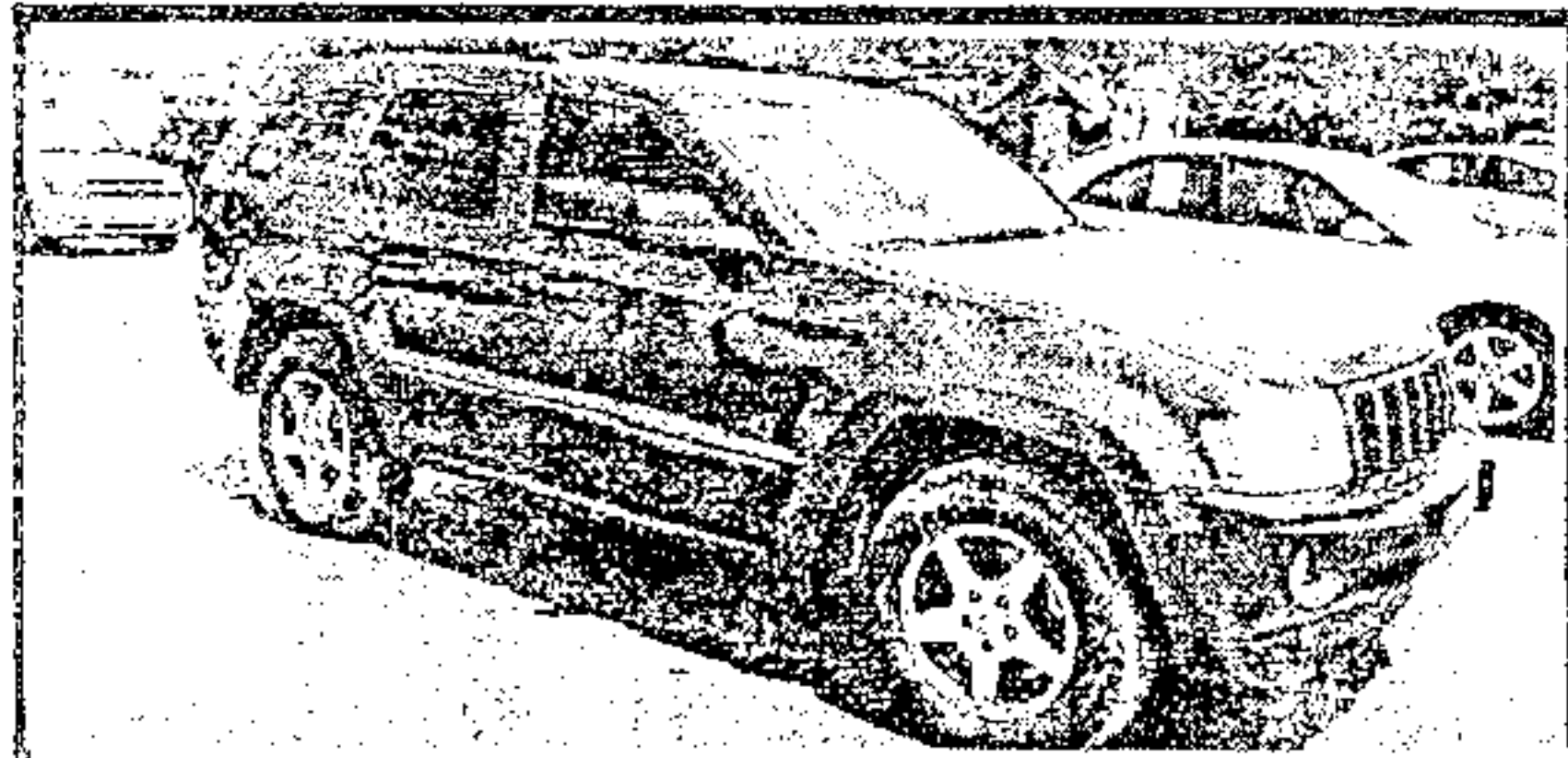
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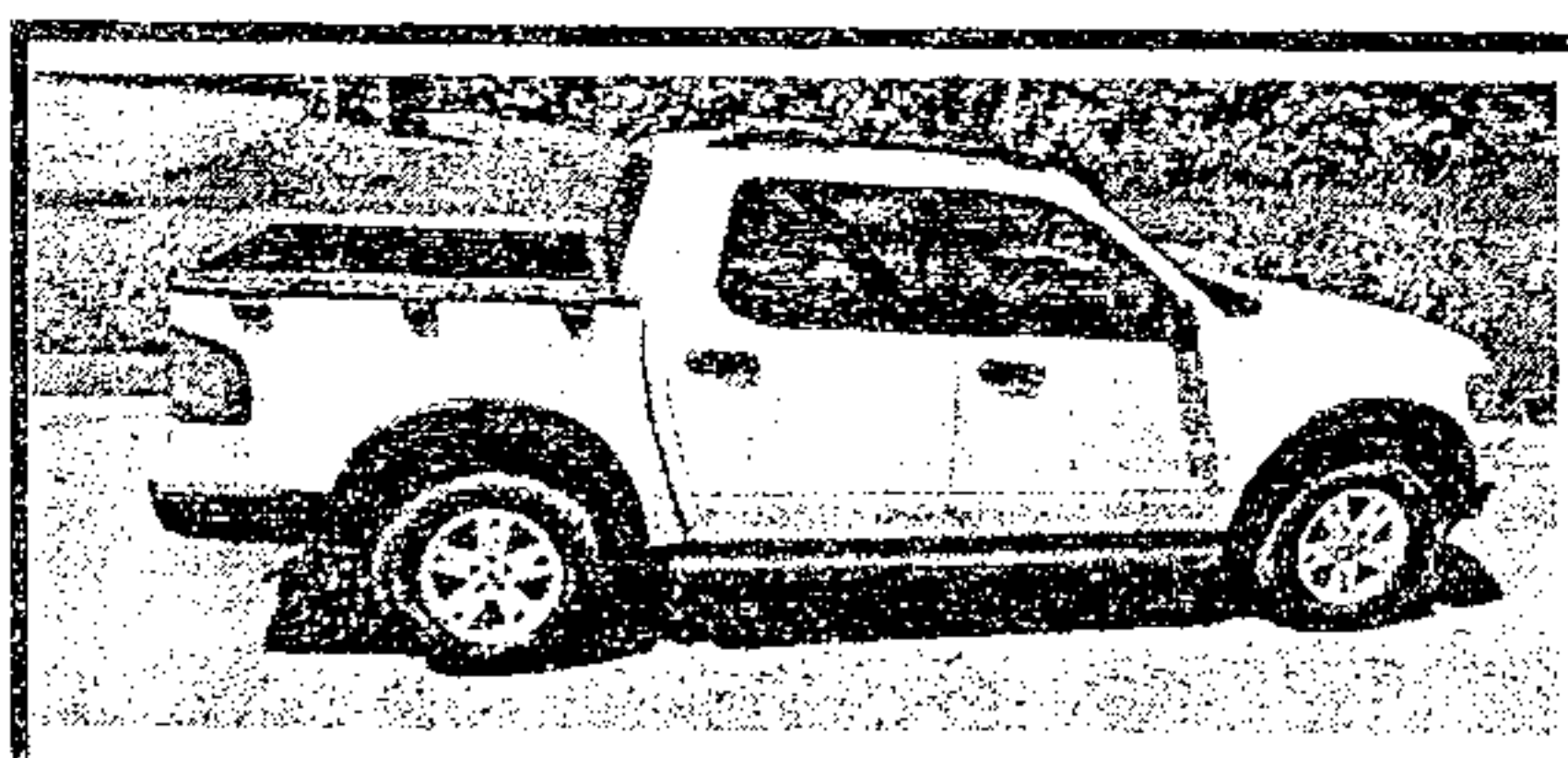
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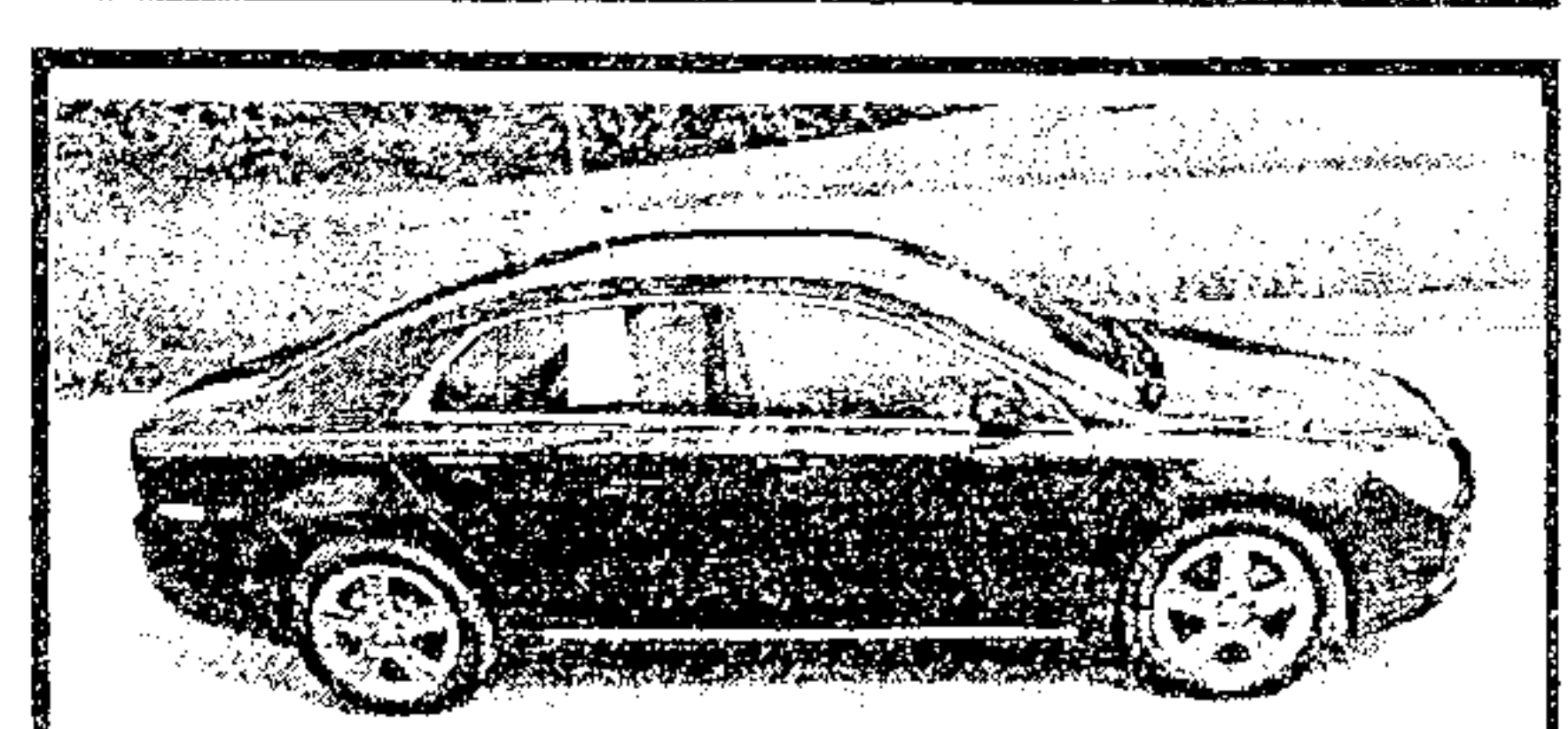
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**TGN**

living and sharing the gospel with people here in Montana, we are saving our pennies and dreaming of our next short term mission trip to work with impoverished people in other countries as soon as possible.

This week, however, about thirty to forty Christians from the Southeast (Mainly Texas) have flown or driven to our church here in Missoula, Montana, to help us build a new sanctuary. Angie and I have recently joined Crosspoint Community Church and are seeing God do amazing things all around us. Our church is quickly growing by people making disciples and then training and equipping THEM to go out and make disciples. Hence the need for a new sanctuary!

Angie and I have parked our camper at the church for the

next 7-10 days and are serving as the "night watchmen" to keep an eye on everyone's tools and the building materials. We are planning to work with the mission team on the building project during the weekend and I am hoping to take Monday off and work with them as well. We have already met so many awesome Christians from age twenty to age eighty five and cannot wait to spend more time with these fellow believers in the days ahead. As the "night watchmen" we are considered to be part of the crew and have been invited to share the evening meal with this team every night through next week.

Tonight as we finished dinner and were all spending time together in our current sanctuary, I noticed a piece of paper

taped to the sanctuary door that contained the following prayer and wanted to share it here in hopes that you would understand the heart of the people God has placed in our lives this week.

"Dear God, as we begin this day of service to you, we know that Satan will be prowling to steal our joy and discredit You through us. We enter this battle by girding ourselves with Your TRUTH.

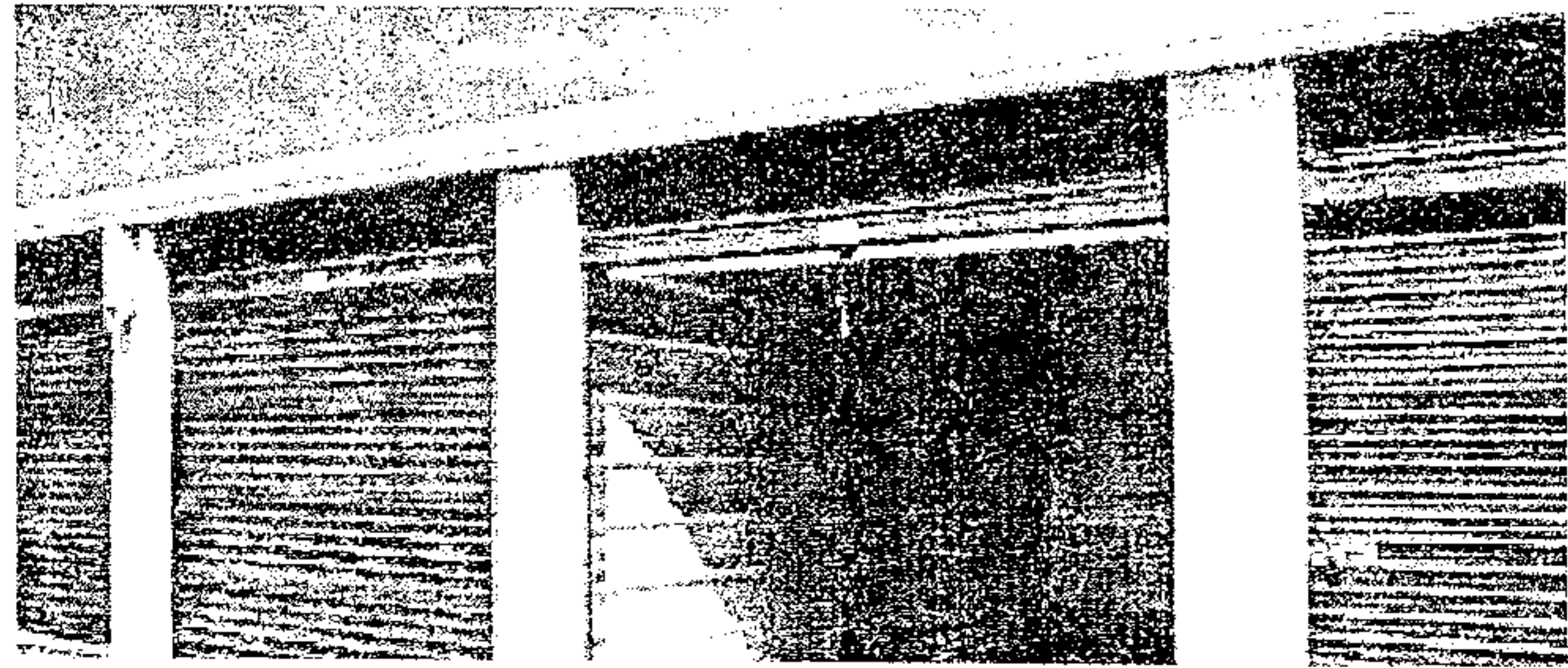
We put on the breastplate of righteousness as You see us in the righteousness of Christ and we desire to reflect that righteousness in our walk of service today.

We wear the shoes of the Gospel of Peace knowing that we are at peace with You and secure in Your peace.

We use Your shield of our faith to deflect the darts that Satan will throw at us this

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**Burglary**

space and it was occupied by a white male.

The witness asked the male what he was doing and he stated that he was waiting for "Deadra" and she work / lives with the victim.

The witness then went inside and she saw a female running toward the parked S.U.V. The female then got into the vehicle and went to the side of the house and left with an unknown object. Deputy spoke with victim and he stated that he heard a noise on his front porch and he went outside and the screen was missing on his sliding door. victim stated that he fixed the screen and he saw a female running across his yard. The witness then went to check on the victim and he realized that he had been burglarized. Victim stated that he did know Deadra and that she had

stolen checks from him in the past. He asked Deadra to stop coming to his house.

There was broken glass at the back of the house that came from the kitchen window. The window was pushed up. Three screens had been removed from three different windows at the back of the house. There was one screwdriver and a set of pliers laying next to the broken glass. Deputy took pictures of the windows, screens and the tools. Deputy collected the evidence (tools) and Deputy also spoke with Inv. Russell. Victim did notice that his desk drawer was opened. Victim did not notice anything missing at this time. On Tuesday, May 26th, 2015 Victim called and reported that a check had been cashed at the Tellico Village branch of First National Bank. The check was cashed by teller and she stat-

ed that the check was number 505 on victim account. She stated that the check was written to the suspect Diedra Hammons and was cashed for \$300.00. Victim advised that Ms. Hammons was seen leaving in a black SUV. Victim checked his residence and discovered check numbers 505, 506 and 507 had been stolen from his home. On 6/16/2015 Officer Tim Holloway LCPD, arrested Deidra at Hwy 321 Lenoir City on Warrant and transported to Loudon Jail.

**Legion**

With Flag Day being in the month of June, it was only appropriate to ask Rochelle Cordova, "The Flag Lady", to come and speak to American Legion Post 256. Not only is Rochelle knowledgeable and well versed on the history of the American Flag, but she can also tell you many things about your Tennessee Flag that you may not be aware of. A Flag Historian in her own right, Rochelle Cor-

dova loves to share her information and fine collection of flags with schools and civic organizations that would like to schedule her for their next meeting or event. Post Commander, Vic Vickery, says "...be

proud of your flag and know it's history!". For additional information about the American Legion contact Commander Vic Vickery, 423-884-6476; to contact Rochelle Cordova, email, Rcordova@woodmen.org.

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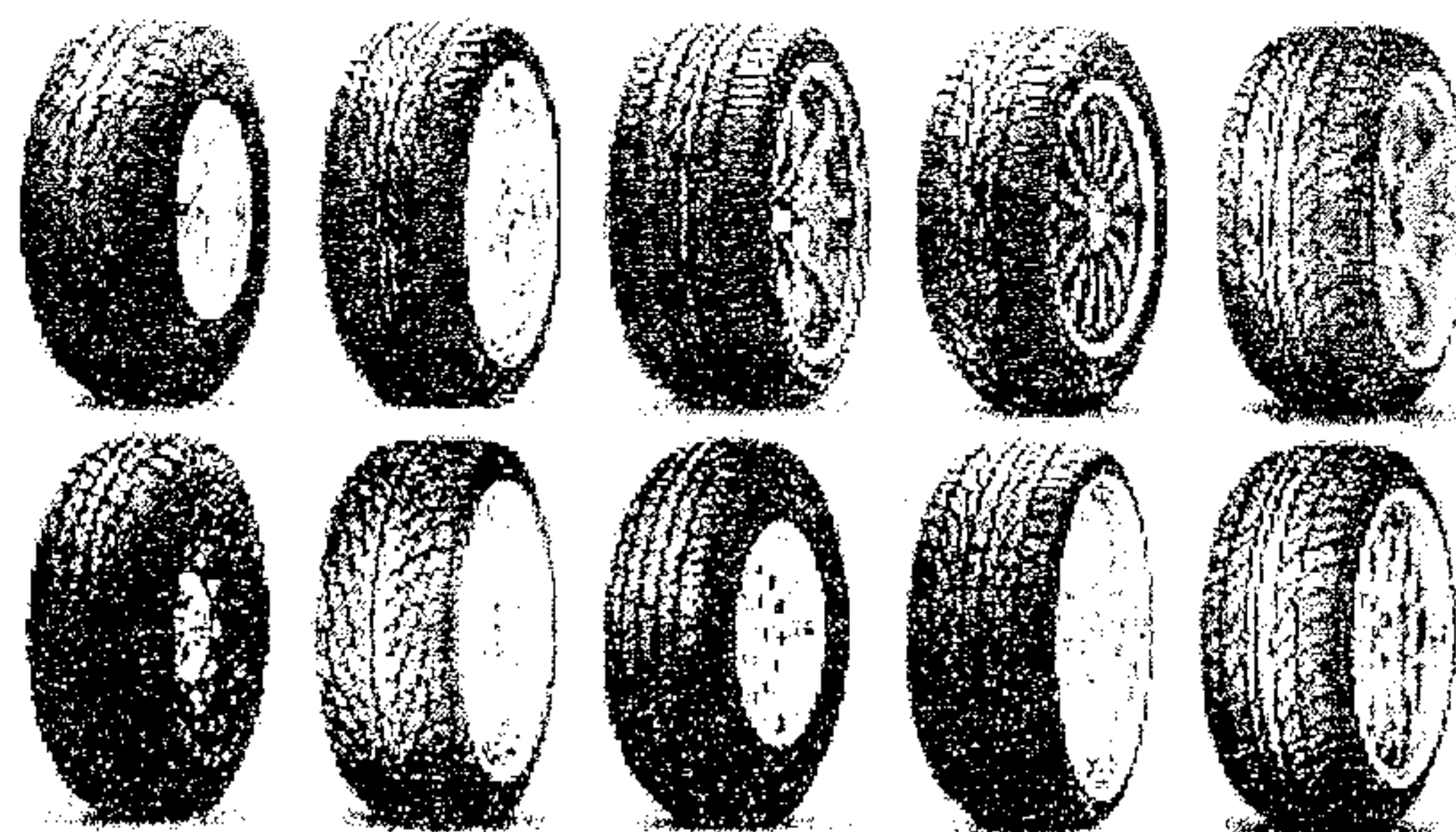
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<u>Agency</u>	<u>Amount</u>
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Loudon County Soil Conservation District	2,000
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Loudon County Visitors Bureau (29% Hotel/Motel Tax)	115,000
Loudon County Economic Development Agency	162,545
Loudon County Veteran's Honor Guard	1,800
Child Advocacy Center of the 9th Judicial District	32,000
Little Tennessee Valley Educational Coop	3,000
Loudon County Community Channel	6,100
Iva's Place Crisis Center for Women	8,000
Good Samaritan Center of Loudon County	12,000
Loudon County Library Board	14,344
(or an amount sufficient to meet MOE)	



**Shootout**

Jimmy Potter, 68, Ootsima Lane Loudon, was charged with Aggravated Assault.

Corporal Rondel M. Branam LCSO, was dispatched to a possible physical domestic altercation involving shots fired at Ootsima Lane in Loudon, TN. Dispatch advised Deputy the altercation was between the complainants husband and her son. The caller stated her husband, Jim-

my Potter, was shooting at her son, with a pistol. Contact was made with the two men at the intersection of Ootsima Lane and Ootsima Way in Loudon, TN. Jimmy Potter did state out loud that the gun was just up the street and it was loaded. Deputy and Sgt. Detective Jeff Russell did locate a black shot gun laying on the side of the road. The shot gun was loaded with three buck shot rounds, with

one of those rounds being in the chamber. The weapon was secured at that time and Deputy then went to the Ootsima Lane address to speak with the complainant. Upon speaking with complainant she stated that her son had showed up at the residence approximately thirty minutes earlier in an attempt to speak with her husband about past family problems. Complainant stated

that Jimmy told her son to leave the residence or he would kill him. Complainant stated that Jimmy picked up a brick and told the son to leave. During this altercation Complainant stated that Jimmy picked up a pistol and began firing at the son with a hand gun in the door way of the residence. The shotgun, pistol, one spent shotgun round, three live shotgun rounds, and three spent .22 caliber rounds were

taken in to evidence by The Loudon County Sheriff's Criminal Investigations Division. Both Jimmy and son were transported to the Loudon County Sheriff's Office to be interviewed. Inv. Jeff Russell LCSO made the arrest.

Brian Moore, 48, Evansville Mtn. Road Evansville, was charged with Public Intoxication.

Corporal Rondel Branam LCSO, was en route to a call of a possible domestic assault call involving shots fired on Ootsima Lane in Loudon, TN. Deputy did make contact with both parties involved in the domestic altercation at the intersection of Ootsima Lane and Ootsima Way in Loudon, TN. Upon speaking with Mr. Brian Keith Moore Deputy did observe a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his person, and he did have red watery eyes. Mr. Moore's license is currently revoked for Driving Under The Influence and his vehicle was parked in the driveway of Ootsima Lane. After speaking to his victim she stated that he does not live at the residence and did drive to the residence. In plain view in Mr. Moore's vehicle Deputy did see an open beer can sitting between the driver and passenger seat in a cup holder. Mr. Moore, in his current state, was a danger to himself and others if left in public so he was taken in to custody for Public Intoxication and transported to the Loudon County Jail. Cpl. Rondel Branam LCSO, made the arrest.

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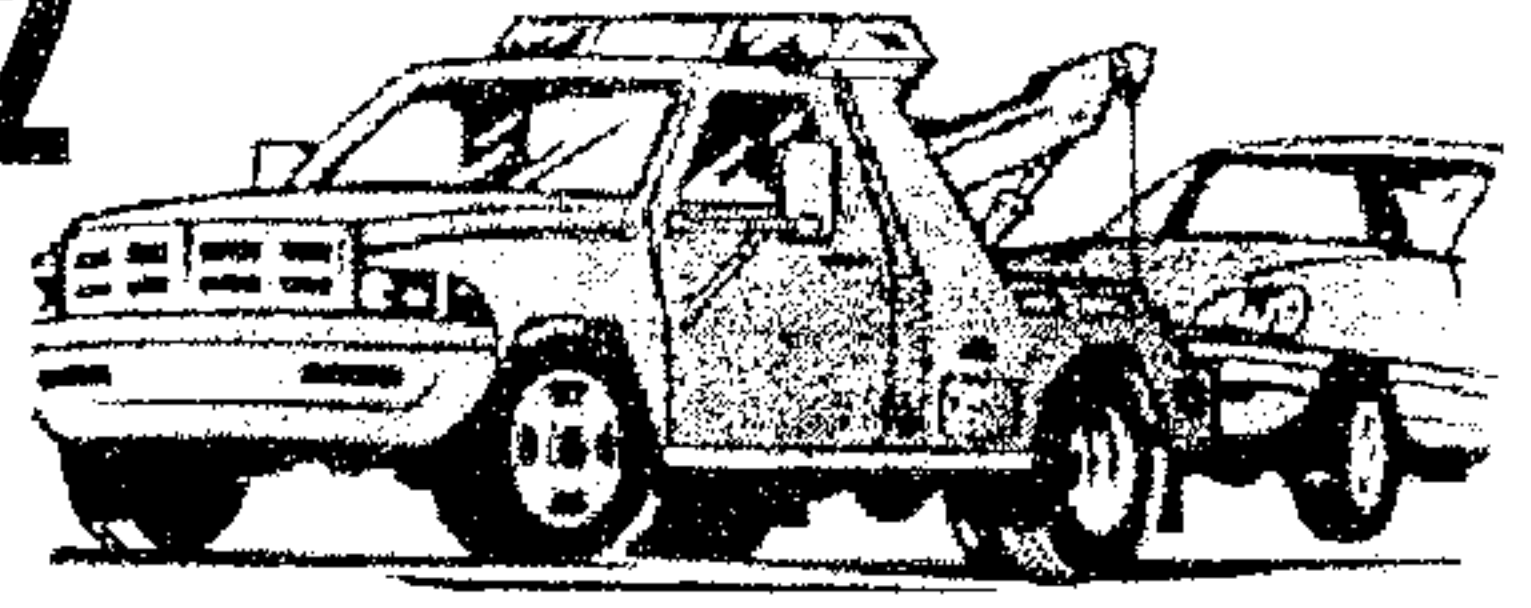
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DV

Jeffrey Einkorn, 31, Stonebrook Lane Lenoir City, was charged with Domestic Assault.

Deputy Brian Smith LCSO, did observe a green Ford Expedition with their hazard lights on pulled over on the side of Highway 70 East in Loudon County near Avalon subdivision.

Upon turning around Deputy observed a male walking on the side of the road and the Expedition had moved to the entrance of Avalon subdivision.

Upon making contact with the male (Mr. Jeffrey Leroy Einkorn) he stated that he and victim (his girlfriend) had been in an argument and she was in the Expedition trying to get him to come back home.

Upon speaking with victim, she stated Mr. Einkorn had been talking to another woman, had got mad at her, pushed a table across the room breaking some pictures and approached her in a aggressive manner placing her in fear of being harmed. Upon speaking with Mr. Einkorn did state he had pushed the table and had jumped at victim in attempt to make her leave him alone then left walking down Highway 70.

Victim did refuse to write a statement and stated she did not want to press charges. Deputy Brian Smith LCSO, did place Mr. Einkorn in custody for Domestic Assault and transported him to the Loudon County Jail.

**Convicted felon found guilty of possessing firearm in facebook photos**

Following a two-day trial in U.S. District Court, on June 17, 2015, Malik First Born Allah Farrad, a.k.a. Marvin Maurice Buckles, 41, of Johnson City, Tenn., was convicted of being a felon in possession of a firearm. Sentencing is set for 10:00 a.m., Oct. 29, 2015.

Farrad faces a baseline punishment of a maximum of 10 years in prison. However, possible sentencing enhancements could result in a mandatory minimum term of 15 years up to life in prison. There is no parole in the federal system.

In the fall of 2013, officers with the Johnson City Police Department began an investigation into suspected illicit conduct by Farrad. In so doing, law enforcement examined his use of social media, specifically, Facebook. Investigators found that in October 2013, Farrad uploaded a photograph of three handguns placed atop the toilet seat in his bathroom. Having previously sustained

numerous felony convictions for drug, gun, and violent offense, it was illegal for him to be in possession of such weapons.

Subsequently, investigators, working in conjunction with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), obtained a search warrant for the entirety of Farrad's Facebook account. Once executed, law enforcement discovered a variety of photographs showing him holding, posing with, and displaying a Springfield, Model XD, .45 caliber, semi-automatic pistol. The pictures were taken from inside Farrad's bathroom, and were uploaded in quick succession in October 2013.

At trial, Corporal Kenny Hinkle of the Morristown Police Department testified in great detail as to the distinguishing characteristics of the firearm seen in the seized Facebook photos. Those characteristics both confirmed the identity of the firearm, and dispelled any possibility of it being a toy, fake, replica, or

imitation.

This investigation was the product of a partnership between the Johnson City Police Department and the FBI. Assistant United States Attorney Nick Regalia represented the United States.

This case was brought a part of Project Safe Neighborhoods ("PSN"), a comprehensive national strategy that creates local partnerships with law enforcement agencies to effectively enforce existing gun laws. It provides more options to prosecutors, allowing them to utilize local, state and federal laws to ensure the criminals who commit gun crime face tough sentences. PSN gives each federal district the flexibility it needs to focus on individual challenges that specific community faces.

This case was also brought as part of the Safe Street Violent Crimes Initiative, a program which combines the efforts of federal, state, and local agencies in order to stop violent felons from endangering our communities.

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