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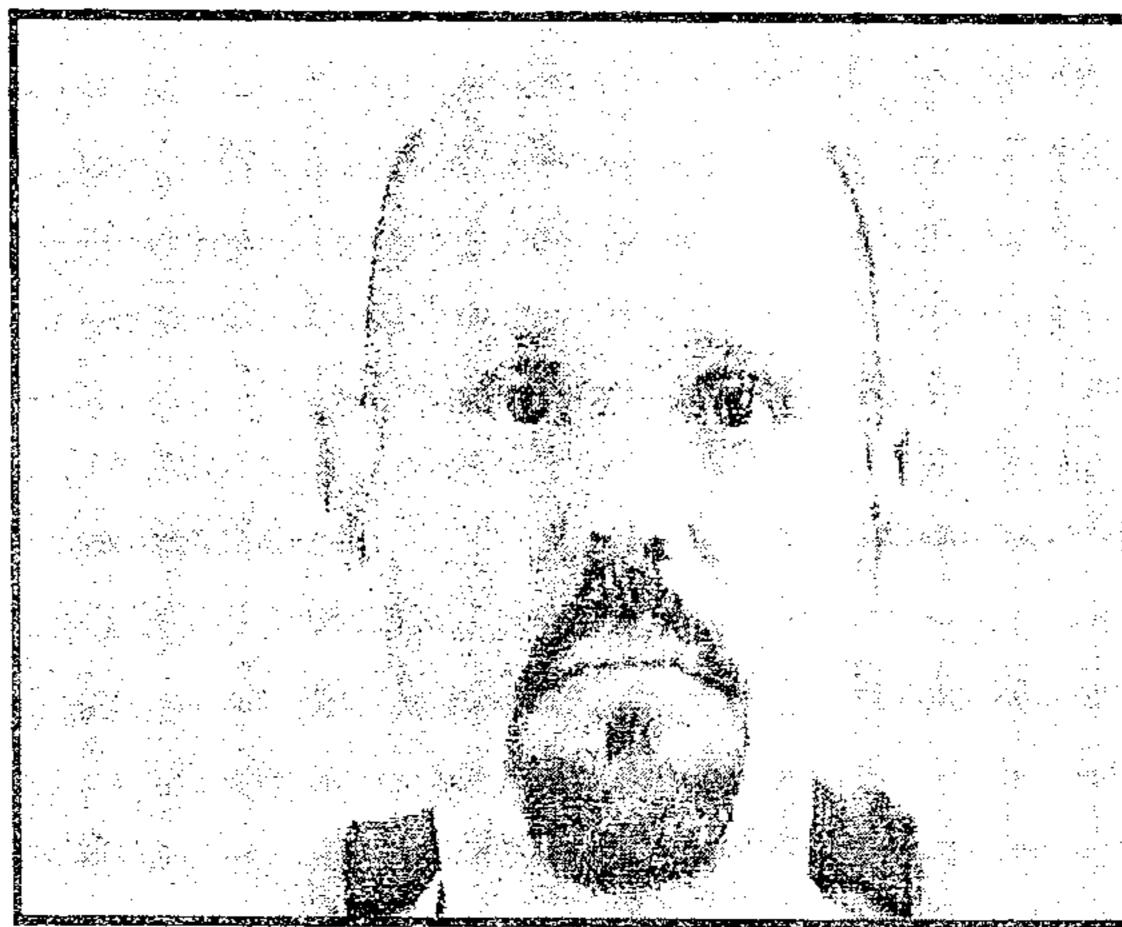
Wednesday, June 24, 2015

Knife brandished during vehicle theft of property arrest burglary at ingles in LC

Ronald Taylor, 42, East 1st Ave Lenoir City, was charged with Theft of Property x2, Aggravated Assault, Aggravated Burglary, and Burglary to a Motor Vehicle.

According to the warrant, on 3/28/2015 the defendant, Ronald Jack Taylor, did make entry into a parked and unattended 1992 Dodge Dakota that was parked in the parking lot of the Ingles grocery store in

(see Burglary pg. 4)



Ronald Taylor



Jeffrey Graves

(see theft pg. 3)

DUI driver



Chelsea Sims (see Reckless pg. 7)

.165% for reckless | LCSO's Brewer busts speeding DUI driver



(see GB pg. 5)

Matthew Bingham

Letter to the Editor A Special Thank You

Dear Editor:

My name is Rhonda Riccardi. I want to take this opportunity to Thank everyone for their prayers and to those who made donations to bring my nephew, Aeydon Riccardi, 22 months old, home to the family that loves him so very much.

Recently on April 30, 2015, we suffered an unimaginable loss. My sister, Rebecca Riccardi, 32, passed away suddenly in Detroit, Michigan. Not only



Aeydon Riccardi

<u>Obituaries</u>

see inside

Wazzup

If you are trying to stay cool this summer check out the pool in Lenoir City and in Loudon. Both will definitely help you beat the heat at a great price.

Weather

Today: Cloudy skies early, followed by partial clearing. High around 95F.

Tonight: A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible early. Partly cloudy skies. Low 71F.

Thursday Sunny skies. High

Thursday Night Clear skies. Low 74F.

Horoscopes

Cancer 6/22-7/22

Although you may be talking a mile a minute today, you still might

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(see Letter pg. 4)

Verse of the Day

We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

— 2 Thessalonians 1:12

Theft

On Friday, June 19, 2015, Jeffrey Jacob Graves, age 28, of 2697 Jackson Bend Road in Lenoir City, was arrested on multiple theft and burglary charges related to car breakins at a location called "The Bluffs" in Lenoir City, an area that is used for swimming and recreation. Victims usually had their vehicle windows broken out and items taken such as cash, credit cards, and electronics.

After surveillance of the area, Graves was determined to be a suspect, was interviewed, and admitted to his part in the crimes. Graves has been charged with three (3) counts of Theft of Property and three (3) counts of Burglary of a Motor Vehicle. There is another person of interest that the Loudon County Investigators are pursuing charges against at this time.

Loudon County Sheriff Tim Guider noted that his office has tried making people using this remote location aware that there were ongoing thefts in this area, and still recom-

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mends anyone using this area to use common sense and exercise caution, as this is on private property.

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low at 7 p.m. with Rev. Bill Vest and Rev. Glenn Gamble officiating. Graveside services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 26th in the Blue Ridge Memorial Gardens in Beckley, WV. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Glen Marcus Bright

- "Shorty" age 93 of Loudon,
passed away Saturday, June 20,
2015 at Kindred Health Care.,
Loudon. Shorty was a veteran of
WWII serving in the US Army;
a member of Corinth Baptist
Church and a retired machinist
from Maremont. He was preceded in death by his parents, John
Allen and Lydia (Nix) Bright;

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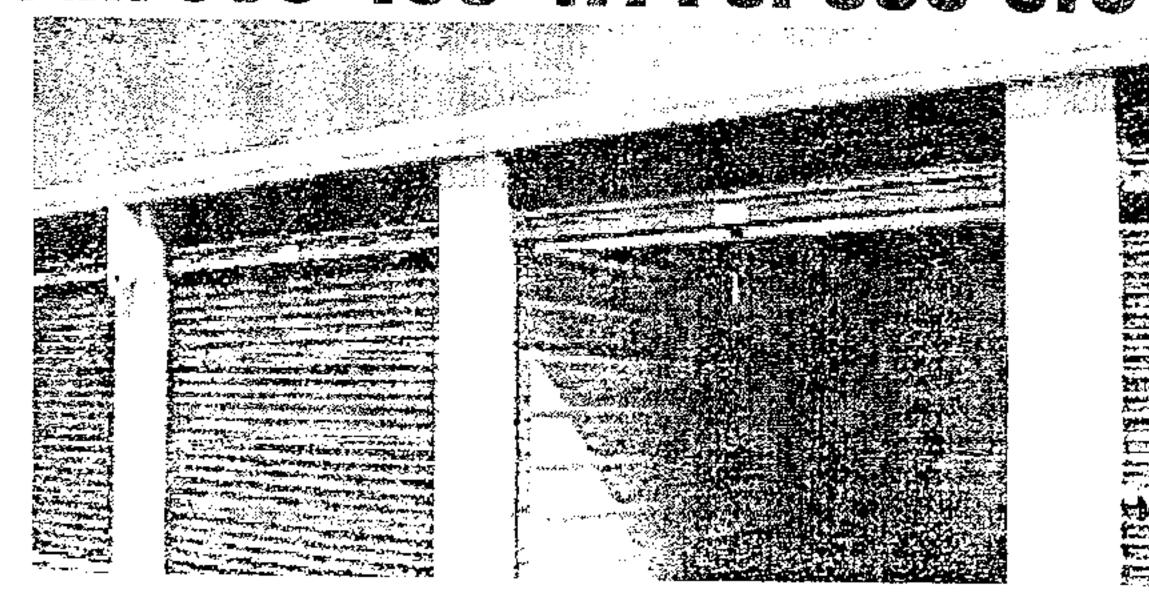


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brothers, Ray, Jim and Avery Bright; sister, Annis Wilson and son, Rick Dixon. Survivors include his wife of 45 years, Shirley (Parks) Bright; daughters, Vicky and husband, Reed Pendleton of North Pointe, AL, Judy Dixon, Loudon, Terry Acha, Austin, TX; grandchildren, Kaitlyn Pendleton, Auburn, AL, Chris Dixon, Myrtle Beach, SC, Lori and husband, Joey Walker, Powell; great grandchildren, Alex, Lance and Jett; sisters in-law, Ruth Bright, Loudon, Alice Bright, FL; close

family friends, Kay and Michael Flanagan, Loudon; several nieces and nephews. Services honoring and remembering Shorty Bright will be held 11:30 AM graveside, Friday, June 26th in the Loudon County Memorial Gardens with Rev. Rick Harrell officiating and full military honors provided by the Loudon County Veterans Honor Guard. The family will receive friends 10:00 – 11:00 AM Friday at McGill-Karnes Funeral Home, 406 Wharf St. Loudon.

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rglary

Lenoir City, Tennessee. The owner of the 1992 Dodge Dakota, is an employee of Ingles and was notified by his manager, that there was a man inside his truck. The victim approached the man and observed that he was attempting to remove the radio from the truck console. Victim grabbed the man and turned him around. When the man turned around he brandished a knife toward victim.

Mr. Yarber backed up in fear whereafter the man ran away. The perpetrator was later identified as the defendant, Ronald Jack Taylor. Victim found his check book was missing after this incident. Ronald also broke into a camper and took a flat screen TV at an address on Grove St. in Loudon. Deputy Olwin Norman LCSO, served Ronald with the Warrant at the Loudon Jail.

Letter

were we faced with the loss of a dear family member, but we had to figure out how to get Aeydon home. At the time, since it was sudden, we didn't have the financial means to go to Detroit. So, we contacted a near and dear longtime family friend, Lisa McNew Armstrong.

Lisa has always been there for us, no matter what the situation, and this was no different. She started taking up donations, and didn't give up until we got Aeydon home. She is a true miracle worker. I want to thank everyone who said a prayer, who donated, who were willing to help, even though you didn't know us. It means so much to us, because without you, we would have never been able to

bring Aeydon home.

I can't put into words how much each and everyone of you mean to us. It's amazing what good can happen if only people pull together Anything's Possible. God Bless You All!

The Riccardi Family

TN Rep. Joe Armstrong indicted for conspiracy and more

On June 16,2015, a federal grand jury returned a three-count indictment against Tennessee State Representative Joe Armstrong charging him with conspiracy to defraud the United States, tax evasion and filing a false federal income tax return.

Armstrong appeared in U.S. District Court on June 19, 2015, and pleaded not guilty to the charges. A trial has been set for 9:00 a.m., on August 25, 2015, before the Honorable Thomas A. Varlan, Chief U.S. District Court Judge.

The indictment, which is on file with the U.S.

District Court, alleges that Armstrong utilized his position as a legislator to profit from the sale of Tennessee cigarette tax stamps and avoid the payment of federal income taxes.

Agencies involved in

this investigation include the Internal Revenue Service. Criminal Investigation Division and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Assistant U.S. Attorney Charles E. Atchley. Jr., represented the United States.

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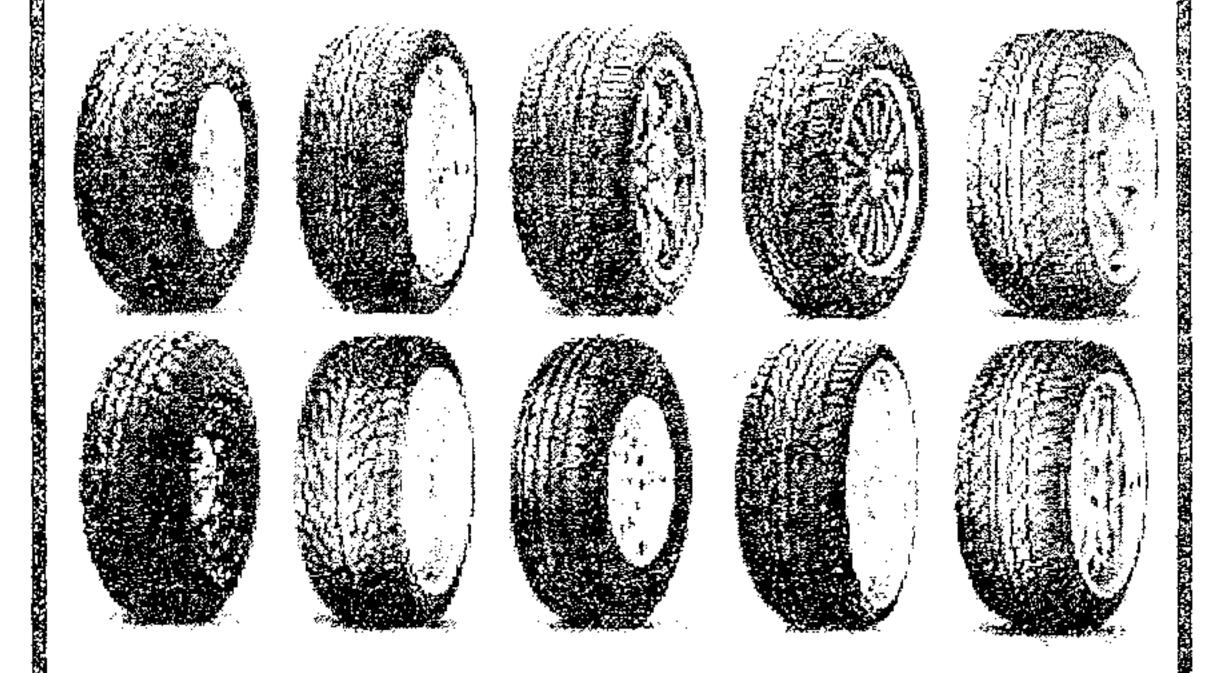
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On June 29, 2015, 6 PM at the Courthouse Annex in Loudon, Tennessee, Loudon County Commission will consider appropriating funds to the following organizations to provide assistance in continuing their respective services for the citizens of Loudon County for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015:

Agency	Amount
Philadelphia Fire Department	25,000
Greenback Fire Department	30,000
Tellico Village Fire Department	25,000
Loudon County Fire Rescue	115,000
Loudon County Emergency Communications District	540,000
Rarity Bay First Responders	1,500
Adult Community Training	2,500
Loudon County Soil Conservation District	2,000
Sweetwater Creek Water Shed District	2,000
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)	,

GB

Bingham, Matthew 36, Coytee Road Greenback, was charged with DUI, and Driving on Revoked License.

Deputy Craig Brewer LCSO, observed a black Ford Escape traveling at high rate of speed on Morganton Road in Greenback Tennessee. On checking the speed on radar it was running 70 miles per hour in a 35 mile per hour zone. On turning around on the

vehicle it had turned up a driveway at Morganton Road and went all the way up to the residence. On following the vehicle up the driveway Deputy saw Matthew Bingham get out of the driver's seat of the vehicle. On stopping him he had a strong odor of a intoxicating beverage about his breath and person. On talking further to Mr. Bingham he stated that he had to much to drink. Could not do field so-

briety on the scene due to subject being a flight risk.

On arrival at the jail he was read implied consent law and agreed to having breathe given for purposes of blood alcohol content to witch the results showed his blood alcohol to be a .139. On checking the status of his driver's license through NCIC it showed him to revoked in Tennessee with a prior conviction for driving on revoked license on 4/14/14. Deputy Craig Brewer LCSO, made the arrest.

Criminals Continue to Defraud and Extort Funds from Victims Using CryptoWall Ransomware Schemes

Data from the FBI's Internet Crime Com-(IC3)plaint Center shows ransomware continues spread and is infecting devices around the globe. Recent IC3 reporting

identifies CryptoWall as the most current and significant ransomware threat targeting U.S. individuals and businesses.1 CryptoWall and its variants have been used actively to target U.S. victims since April 2014. The financial impact to victims goes beyond the ransom fee itself, which is typically between \$200 and \$10,000. Many victims incur additional costs associated with network mitigation, network countermeasures, loss of productivity, legal fees, IT services, and/or the purchase of credit monitoring services for employees or customers. Between April 2014 and June 2015, the IC3 received 992 CryptoWall-related complaints with victims reporting losses totaling over \$18 million.

These financial frauc schemes target both individuals and businesses, are usually very successful, and have a significant impact or victims. The problem begins when the victim clicks on an infected advertisement, email, or attachment, or visits ar infected website. Once the victim's device is infected with the ransomware variant, the victim's files become encrypted. In most cases, once the victim pays a ransom fee, he or she regains access to the files that were encrypted. Most criminals involved in ransomware schemes demand payment in Bitcoin. Criminals prefer Bitcoin because it's easy to use fast, publicly available. decentralized, and provides a sense of height-

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Reckless

Chelsea Sims, 22, Ditch Gap Rd Whitwell, was charged with DUI.

Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, was dispatched to a reckless driver on I-75 North Bound. There had been two separate calls about the way the driver was driving. The complainant stated that the driver of a white S.U.V. with a tire on the back, almost hit two vehicles. Deputy did observe the vehicle, a 2006 white Jeep Liberty with a tire on the back, leave the roadway. Deputy stopped the vehicle at MM73 N.B. and identified the driver as Chelsea Sims. Ms.Sims did have a strong odor of alcoholic beverage on her per-

Deputy \(\) demonstrated the S.F.S.T for Ms.Sims and she stated that she understood. Ms.Sims did perform poorly on the tasks. Ms.Sims also got confused on her alphabets starting from E and going to Q.several times. Ms.Sims stated that she had one beer. Deputy arrested Ms.Sims. Ms.Sims did agree to Tennessee Implied Consent Advisement. Deputy transported Ms.Sims to the Loudon County Jail at which point she blew a .165 on the Intox EC/ IR-II Evidential Test. Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, made the arrest.

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ened security/anonymity.

If vou believe you

should reach out to your local FBI field office. You may also file a complaint with the IC3 at www.IC3.gov. Please provide any relevant information in your complaint.

Tips to protect yourself:

-Always use antivirus software and a firewall. It's important to obtain and use antivirus software and firewalls from reputable companies. It's also important to continually maintain both of these through automatic updates.

-Enable popup blockers. Popups are regularly used by criminals to spread malicious software. To avoid accidental clicks on or within popups, it's best to prevent them from appearing in the first place.

-Always back up the

verify, maintain and offline copies of your personal and application data, ransomware scams will have limited impact on you. If you are targeted, instead of worrying about paying a ransom to get your data back, you can simply have your system wiped clean and then reload your files.

-Be skeptical. Don't click on any emails or attachments you don't

recognize, and avoid suspicious websites al together.

If you receive a ran somware popup message on your de vice alerting you to an infection, immediately disconnect from the Internet to avoid an additional infections of data losses. Alert you local law enforcemen personnel and file complaint at www.IC3 gov.

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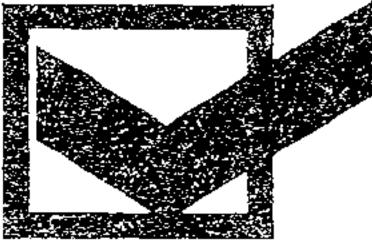
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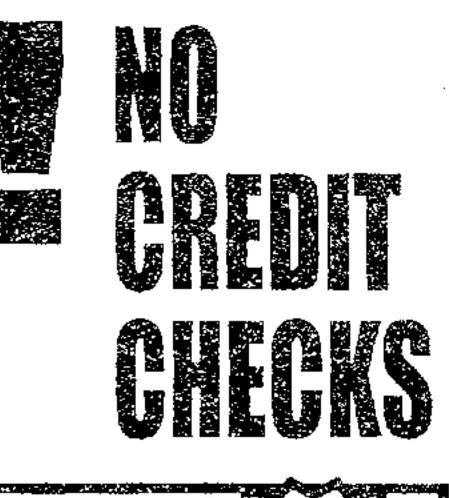
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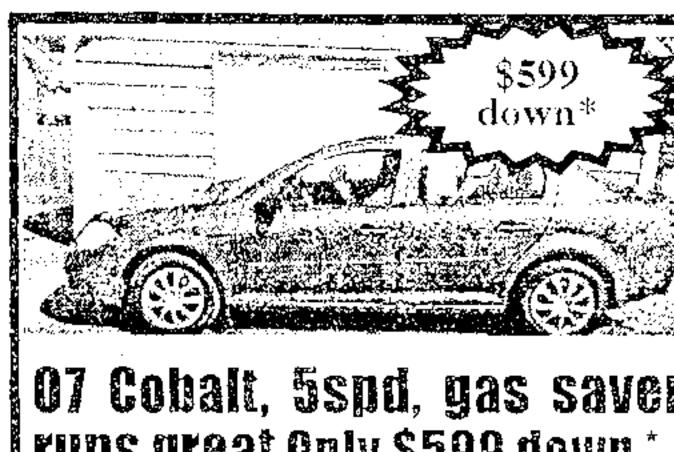
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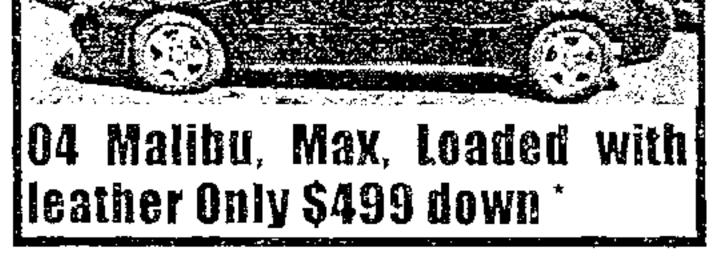




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