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Friday, January 8, 2016

# DTF make controlled pill in Loudon; one charged with resale x3

Agents with the 9th Judicial Drug Task Force under the direction of General Russell Johnson conducted a controlled narcotics buy in Loudon with a confidential informant, and as a result were able to charge one man with three counts of selling pills.

(see pills pg. 7)

New Tazewell resident Jerisen Amundsen sentenced to 127 months in prison for child pornography offenses

On Jan. 7, 2016, Jerisen Lee Amundsen, result of his conviction for distribution of child pornography. (see sentenced pg. 3



Jonathan Brewster

## Passed out in the road and driver thinks he's in Virginia!



Jeffrey Madar

(see DUI pg. 5)

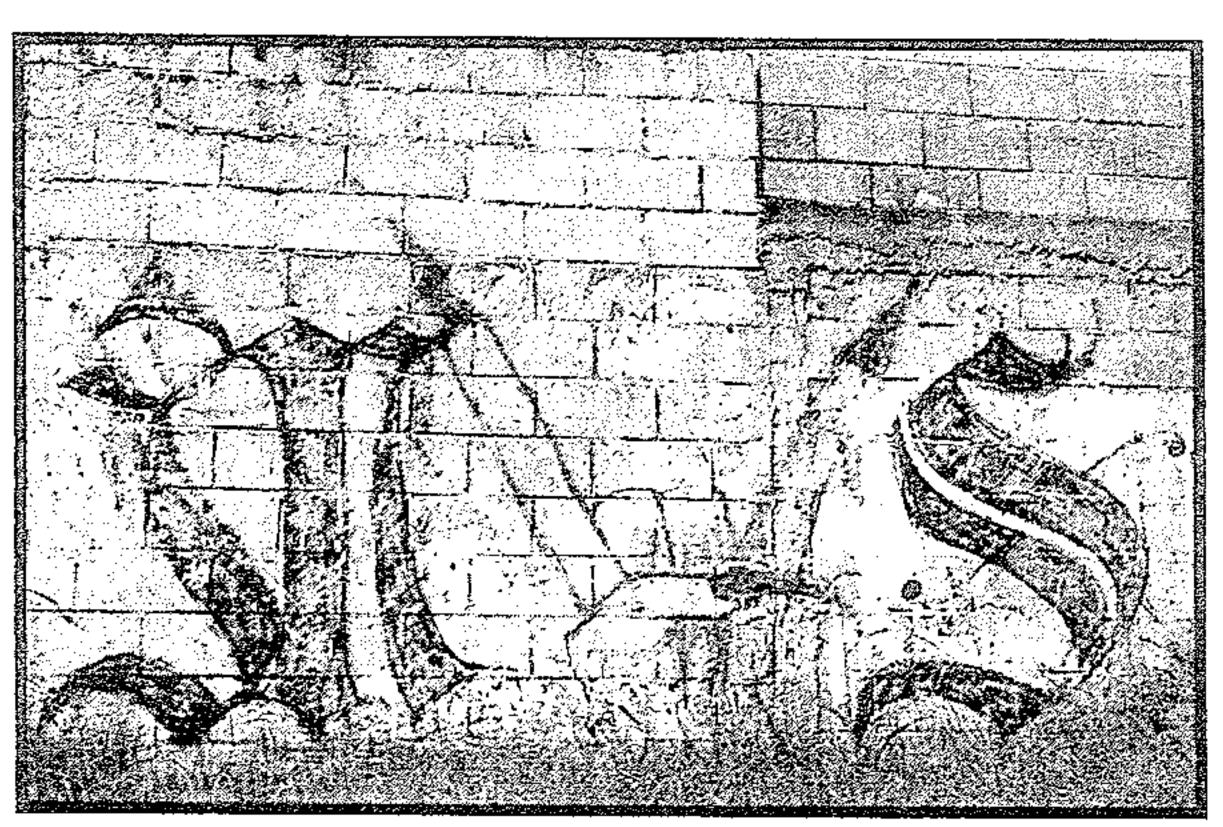
# Transnational Gangs Part 1: Understanding the Threat

sonate, not far from Street gang the Pacific Ocean in their mostly teenage western El Salvador, is recruits to undergo at 20, of New Tazewell, home to a prison hous- least two years of ini-Tenn., was sentenced ing more than 800 in-tiation before becomby the Honorable mates. Like many of ing full-fledged gang Thomas A. Varlan, the prisons in this Cen-members. One of the Chief U.S. District Itral American coun-final tests for member-Judge, to serve 127 try, Centro Penal De ship is to commit murmonths in prison as a | Sonsonate incarcerates der. only gang members— "That is certain, you and, by definition, each have to kill," said Speone is a killer. cial Agent Julian Igual-

La Mara Salvatrucha,

The town of Son- or MS-13, and the 18th require

(see FBI pg. 2)



MS-13 graffiti in the El Salvador town of Sonsonate The gang La Mara Salvatrucha, or MS-13, makes its presence known in the the town of

# Verse of the Day Obituaries If we walk in the light, see inside as he is in the light, Wazzup

we have fellowship The New Year is sure with one another, and feeling kinda warm for the blood of Jesus, his this time of year, may-Son, purifies us from be that means our utilall sin. — 1 John 1:7 ity bills will be lower,

hmmm... We shall see. Weather

Today: Cloudy skies. Slight chance of a rain shower. High 58F.

Tonight: Mostly cloudy. Low near 40F.

Saturday Overcast with rain showers at times.

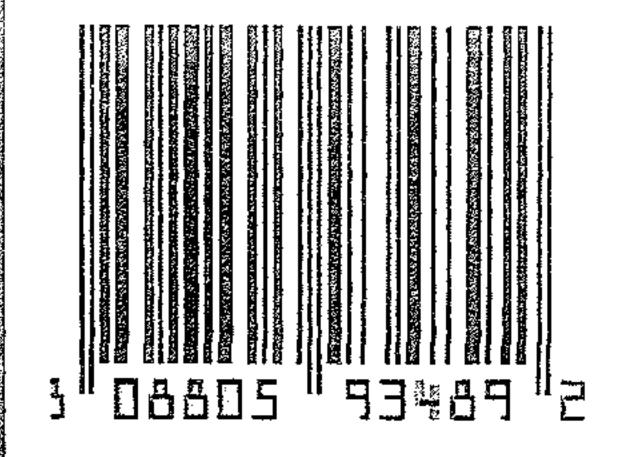
High around 55F.

Saturday Night Steady light rain in the evening Showers continuing late! Thunder possible. Low near 40F.

Sunday Showers in the morning, then cloudy in

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Sonsonate.



## FBI

ada, who is part of an FBI U.S. soil—and many times team that works in El Salvador with local law enforcement and the government to fight the transnational gang threat, because what happens there—and elsewhere in Central America—has a significant impact on the safety of U.S. citizens at home and abroad. Gang leaders in El Salvador routinely order

their subordinates to commit crimes, including murder, on these orders are issued from behind bars.

"El Salvador has become the epicenter of gang violence in Central America and represents the largest connection to gang crime in the U.S.," said Special Agent Grant Mann, who works in the Safe Streets and Gang Unit at FBI (see FBI ctd. pg. 4)

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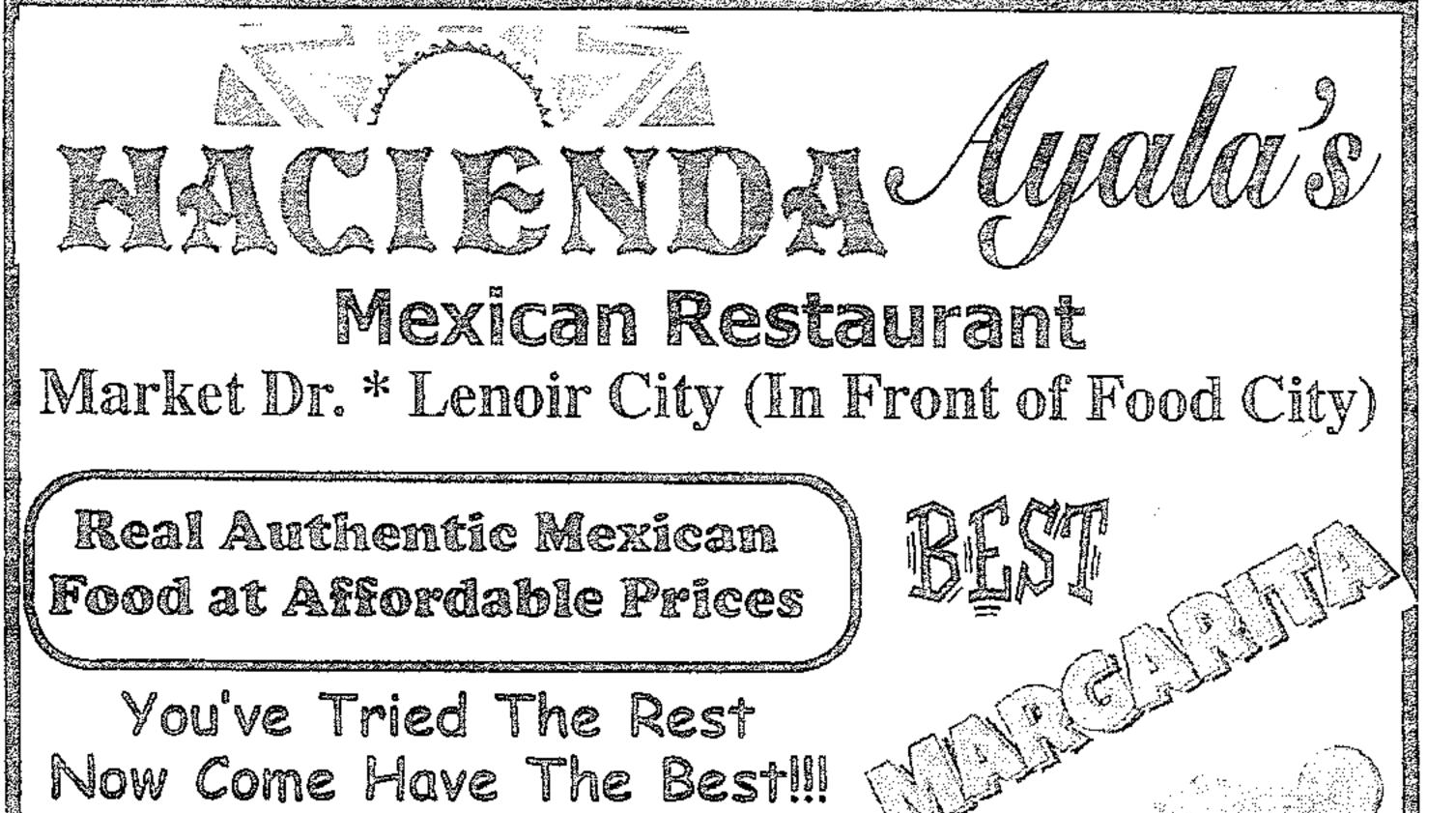
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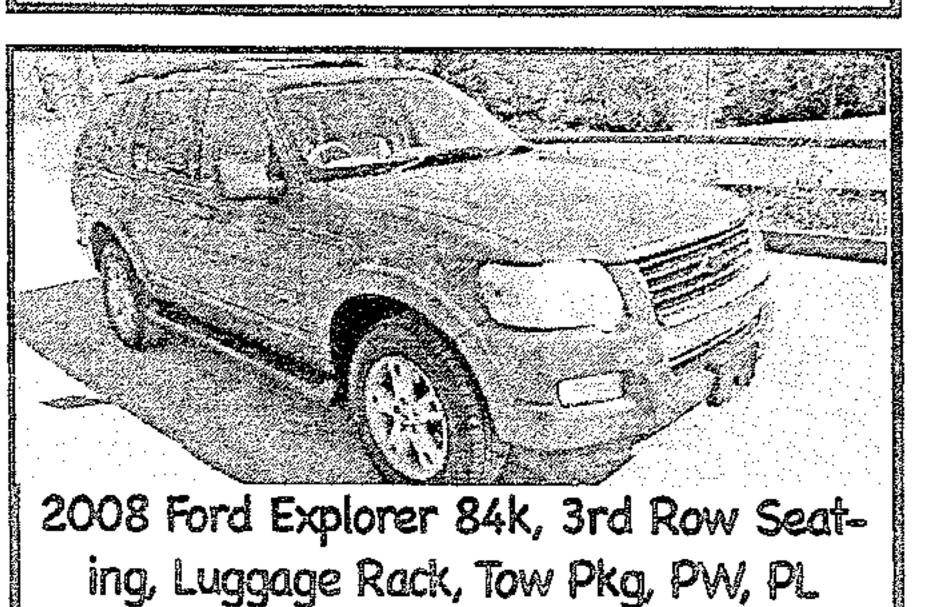


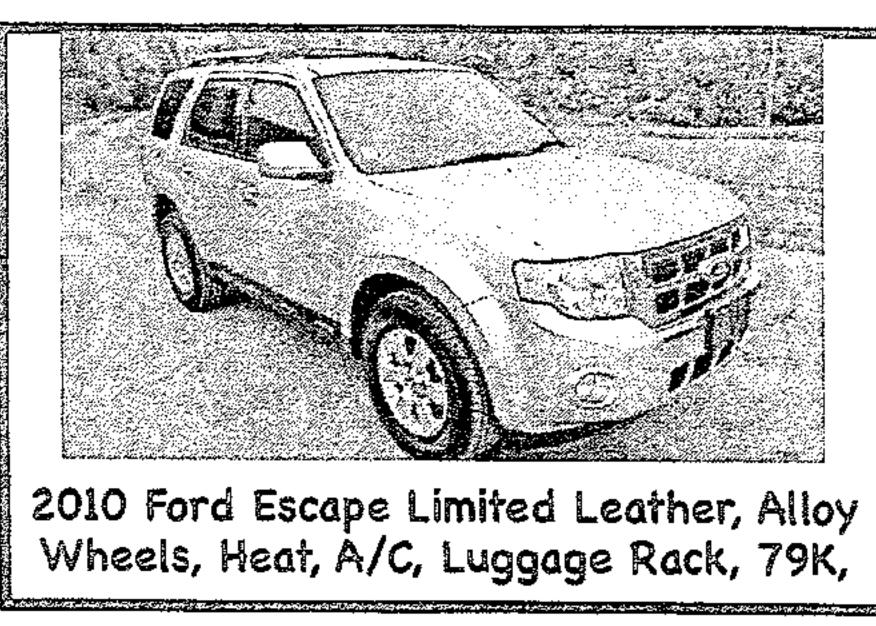


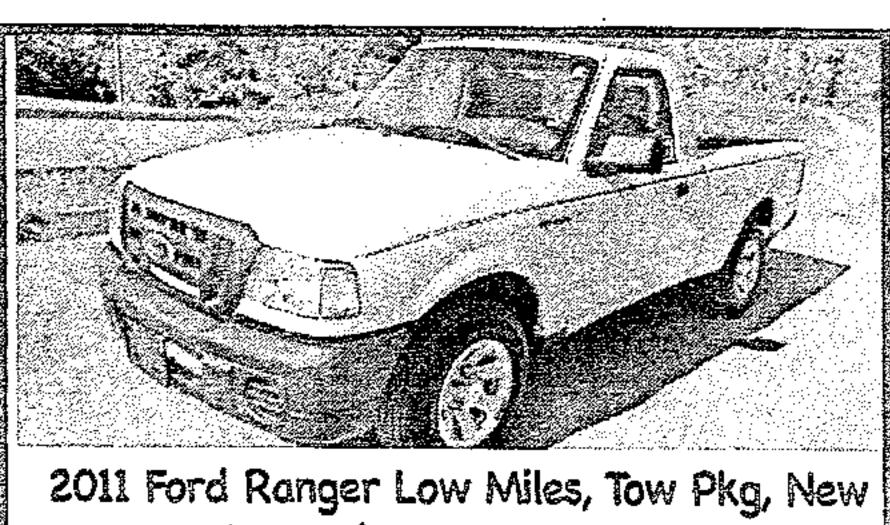
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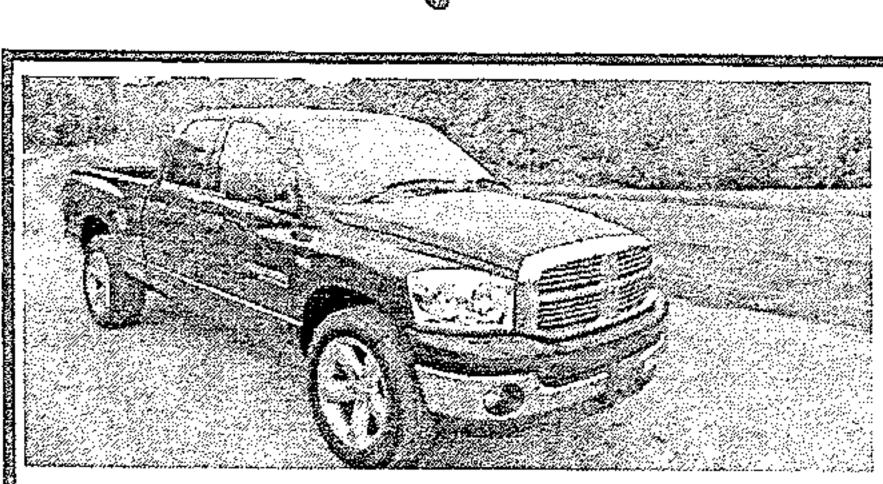
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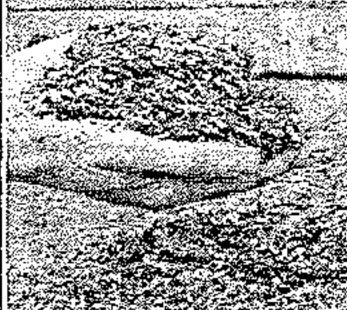
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## sentenced

Following his release from prison, Amundsen will be supervised by the U.S. Probation Office for life and will be required to register with the sex offender registry in

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nation of Admundsen's com-victimization of children, our puter revealed that he had collected 1009 still images and 187 videos of child pornography, in addition to posting child pornography on the Internet.

Nancy Stallard Harr, Acting U.S. Attorney, emphasized the importance of pursuing child pornography offenders. "The successful collaborative efforts of federal, state and law

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investigation have resulted in society, through the circula-Admundsen pleaded guilty this defendant no longer being tion of child pornography on in May 2015 to federal able to circulate images and the Internet." charges stemming from an videos of the sexual abuse of This investigation international undercover in- children to others. This senvestigation into trading child tence should send a message pornography on the Internet. that the United States will A federal search warrant was aggressively investigate and executed at Amundsen's resi-prosecute those who choose dence and a forensic exami- to participate in the continued

conducted locally by U.S. Homeland Security Investigations, Knoxville Police Department's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, and the Tennessee Highway Patrol. Assistant U.S. Attor-

(see sentenced ctd. pg. 5)





# Recovery

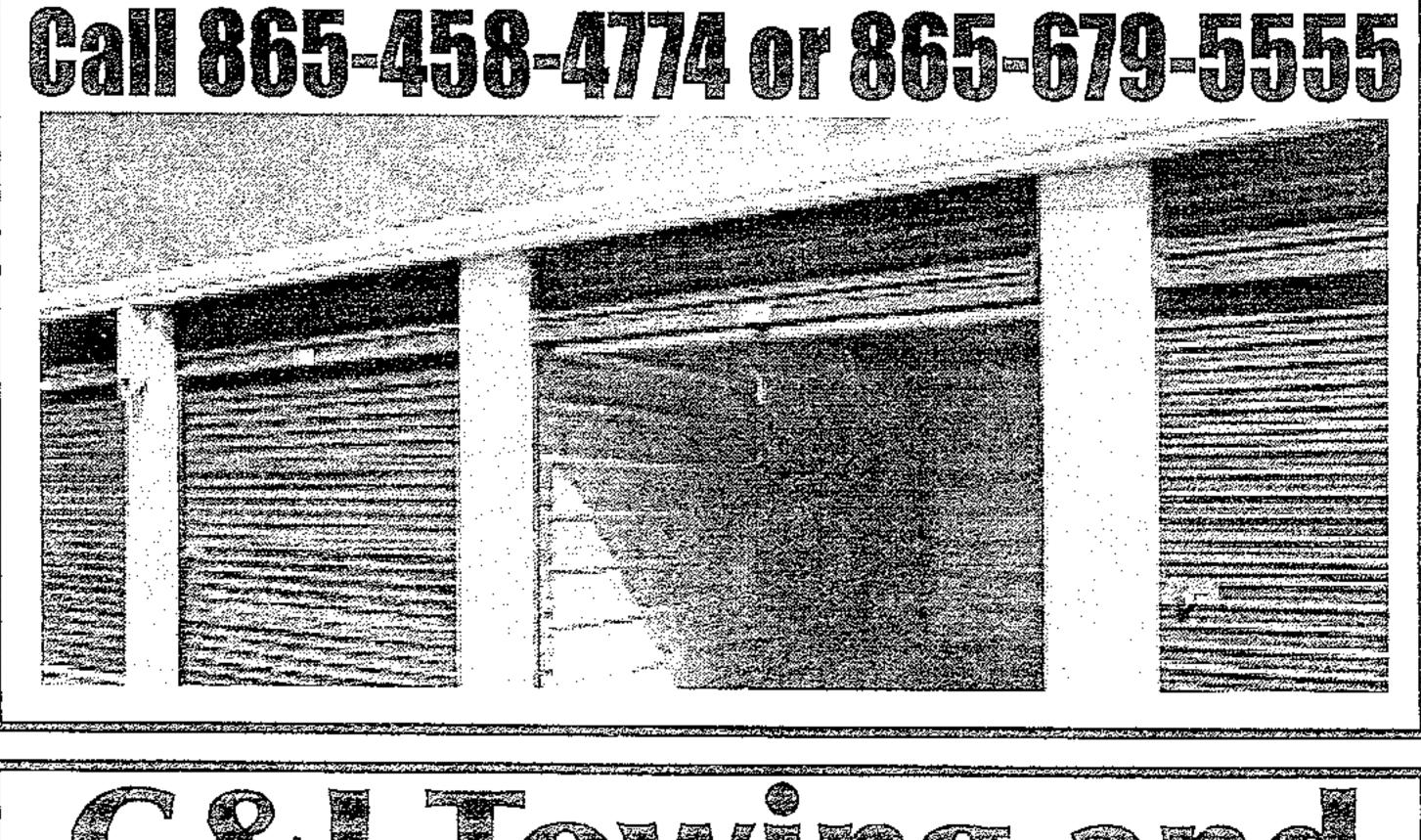
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## FBI ctd from pg. 2

Headquarters in Washington and helps U.S. and Central American law enforcement agencies forge partnerships in the battle against transnational gangs.

"The gangs respect no borders, so law enforcement must respond in kind by working together," Mann said. His unit recently a Central sponsored American Law En-Exchange forcement (CALEE) that brought Central American police officers and prosecutors together with local law enforcement personnel from American cities where MS-13 and 18th Street operate. It was the sixth such exchange the FBI has sponsored jointly with the U.S. Department of State since 2009. The goal of CALEE is to have participants share

intelligence about the the month of August, assassinated by the 13-, 14-, and 15-yearpractices.

during

1992 civil war.

come so bloodthirsty setts. By comparison, one judge. "We aren't facing a ist organizations. The during the entire year percent is gang re-nization gangs are responsible in 2014, according lated," Igualada said. criminal der rate to a level last Crime Report. In 2015 members committing Salvador's seen during the 1979- in El Salvador, 55 these homicides are (see FBI conc. pg. 7)

gangs as well as best there were 907 mur- gangs, along with 18 olds," he explained, ders in El Salvador, a military officers, six "and every day there The MS-13 and 18th small country roughly corrections officers, are new members com-Street gangs have be- the size of Massachu- one prosecutor, and ing in."

in El Salvador that Chicago-known for "In El Salvador now, group of youths who the government has its gang violence—re- we have a murder rate are rebelling, but a declared them terror- corded 411 murders of 25 per day, and 80 very structured orgaconducting activities," for bringing the mur- to the FBI's Uniform "Many of the gang said Luis Martinez, El

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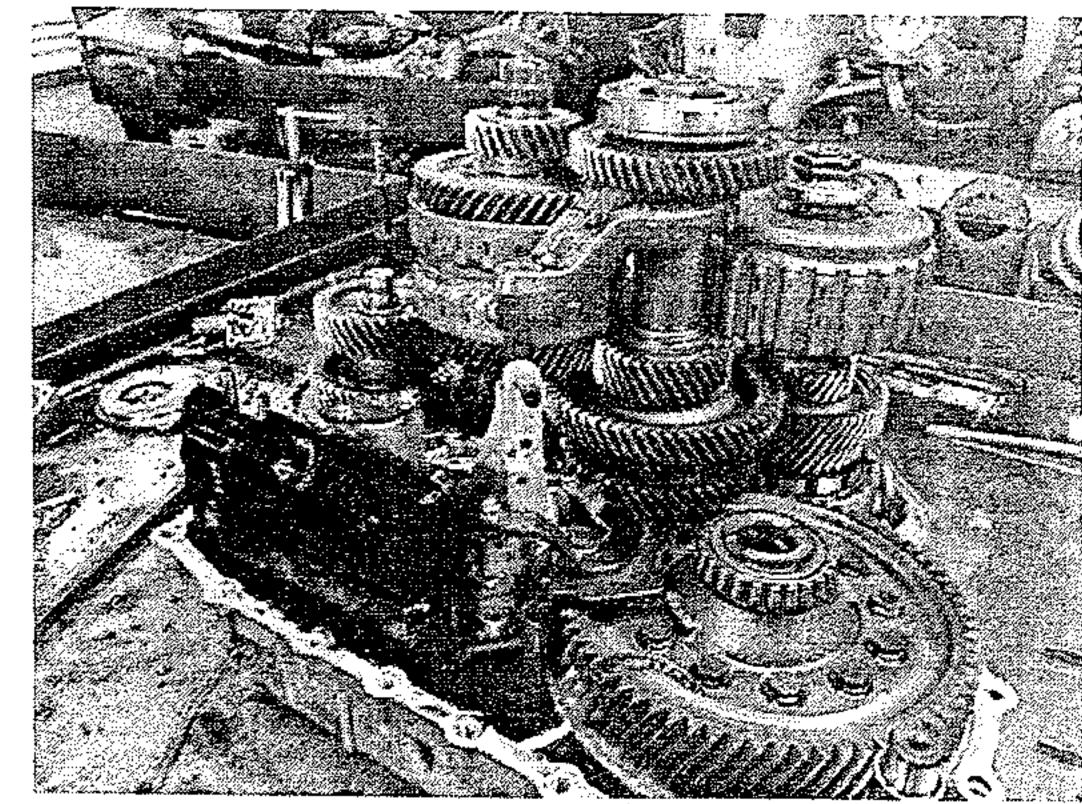
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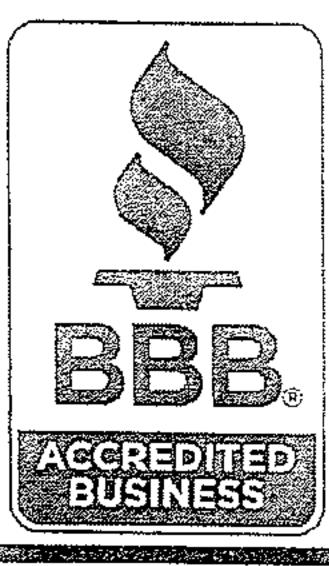
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Corporal Rondel M. Branam LCSO, was dispatched to a suspicious vehicle marked half way in the roadway on Hotchkiss Valley Road East between Breazelle Road and Sugarlimb Road in Lenoir City, TN. Deputy did make contact

with a black Chevrolet Blazer sitting with the back half of the vehicle completely in the travel lane on Hotchkiss Valley Road East. Deputy did observe a white male laying across the center console with his upper body in the passenger seat. The vehicle was still in gear and the keys were in the ignition, but the vehicle was not running. Deputy made several attempts to

wake the male subject up by knocking on the window and he finally woke. Upon speaking with the subject Deputy identified him as Mr. Jeffrey Sean Madar by his Tennessee Drivers License he provided . Deputy did notice a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage emitting from Mr. Madar's breath, he had red watery eyes, slurred he would be willing to speech, and when I perform Standardized

vehicle I observed him did consent to the tests. to be very unsteady on Mr. Madar performed his feet. Mr. Madar did admit to consuming due to the totality of two mixed drinks approximately five hours was placed under arearlier in Richmond, rest for Driving Under Virginia. Deputy asked The Influence at 12:16 Mr. Madar if he cur- AM on 01-06-2016. rently knew where he was, he seemed con- read the Tennessee fused and stated he was in Virginia. Deputy asked Mr. Madar if consent to a Blood Test asked him to exit the Field Sobriety and he

poorly on all tests and the circumstances he Mr. Madar was then Implied Consent Advisement and he did at Fort Loudon Medical Center. Jeffrey was then transported to Fort Loudon Medical Center for testing. After the testing Jeffrey Sean Madar was transported to the Loudon County Jail. This did occur in Loudon County, TN. Cpl. Rondel Branam LCSO, made the arrest. sentenced ctd. from pg. 3 ney Matthew Morris represented the United States.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.





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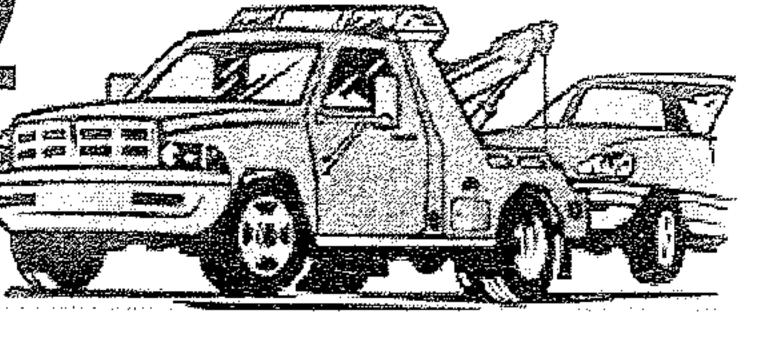
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with a Confidential In-Johnathan Brewster. LPD, made the arrest. Agent's along with FBI conc. from pg. 3 the CI placed a phone call to Brewster to arwith pre-recorded narcotics buy money and also a recording device by Agent's. Agent's

observed the CI ar- Street gang members a way to make money, Obituaries rive at the residence have gained a foothold to buy the fancy car or Brews- at Poplar Street and a in numerous U.S. cit- house," he said. "They ter, 34, Poplar Street short time later the CI ies, including Los An- are in the gang to be-Loudon, was charged was observed leaving geles, Boston, Hous- long to a social group. the buy location and ton, Charlotte, Newark, They see the gang as sale SCH II x3, and turned over to Agent's and the Northern Vir- a father figure, as a Poss. of Drug Para. 15 mg oxycodone pills, ginia suburbs of Wash- mother figure. They Agent's from the 9th a Sch II narcotic. The ington, D.C. They are in the gang because Drug Task Force meet address where the buy commit a variety of they want to be, and took place is located crimes—mainly traf- they do what the gang formant and arranged inside a protected zone ficking drugs and ex- asks them to do." a purchase of 15 mg two blocks from a pub-torting individuals and Oxycodone pills from lic park. April Farmer business owners—and alty is key," Igualada

general and the country's highest ranking range the purchase at law enforcement ofhis residence at Pop- ficer. "They are using lar Street Loudon. The military-grade weap-CI was then equipped ons, and they are using them against the police, military, and prosecutors."

> MS-13 18th and

they maintain strong ties to Central Ameri-

Although gang members in both countries tightly aligned, are Igualada pointed out that they differ in subtle ways. "A big difference in El Salvador is that gang members don't see the gang as

"For the gangs, loyadded. "Once you come into the gang, you don't have a family anymore. The gang is your family. And when you get in, with few exceptions, you get in for life. And it's a life of crime and violence."

Next: FBI agents on the ground in Central America.

Charlotte "Char" May McMillen, age 71, of Loudon County, formerly of Plainfield, IL and Hoxie, KS went home to the Lord on December 31st 2015. Char was a member of Central United Methodist Church of Lenoir City. Char was a primary teacher for 30 years. She was honored several times including the 1999 Niehus award nominated by her peers for unselfish and exemplary commitment to students, parents and fellow employees. She also was a strong Christian, leading ministries at the church and in her neighborhood. Char was preceded in death by her sister Betty Lyn Corke, and her parents James H. White and Zola M. White. Char was survived by her husband Richard McMillen of 46 years. Also by her two sons Jason



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