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Friday, February 5, 2016

Trio charged following LCSO traffic Tracking Animal Cruelty FBI Collecting Bata on Crimes Against Animals stop; meth and more found



Bradley Brooks



(see trio pg. 2) Roseanna Forsythe



Marcus Branyon

Randall Scott Braccock sentenced to 192 months for leadership role in A-PVP trafficking and international money laundering conspiracies

Randall Scott Braddock, 50, of Hendersonville, N.C., was sentenced on Jan. 27, 2016, by the Honorable Pamela L. Reeves, U.S. District Court Judge, to serve 192 months in federal prison for his leadership role in an extensive a-PVP (alphapyrrolidinopentiophenone)

(see A-PVP pg. 5)



A first look at the FBI's animal cruelty statistics will be available next year, but it will take three to five years for the data to begin showing helpful patterns. (see FBI pg. 5)

Man sentenced to 7 years in federal prison for child pornography

Soddy Daisy, Tenn., was ordered to some of his sentenced by the Hon- victims. orable Harry S. Mattice, U.S. District Judge, subsequent conviction of to serve 85 months in Collins was the result of prison, followed by a 15- a year-long investigation year term of supervised release. Collins pleaded Bureau of Investigation guilty in August 2015, to (FBI), Bradley County receipt of child pornogra- Sheriff's Department, and

Jason Collins, 37, of phy. Restitution was also

The indictment and conducted by the Federal Harriman Police Department. The investigation began when a Harriman Police detective was able to download images and videos from a Peer-to-(see library pg. 3 | Peer internet account be-

Best-Selling Author Erik Larson to Speak in Knoxville

Erik Larson, widely acclaimed master of pageturning nonfiction sagas, will speak in Knoxville at

the Bijou Theatre on Tuesday, March 22, at 7 p.m. This special author event is

Kenneth Smith lossians 1:22

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her make sure you wish her a happy birthday! Weather

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early will give way to generally clear conditions overnight. Low 29F.

Sunday Plentiful sunshine High 54F.

Sunday Night Mostly clear in the evening. Increasing clouds with showers after midnight. Snow may mix in

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Victim hit with closed fist by assailant



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Verse of the Day Once you were alienated from God ... but now he has reconciled you by through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation. — Co-

Obituaries see inside Wazzup

> Saturday Intervals of clouds and sunshine. High 51F. Saturday Might Some clouds

Public Motice

Lenoir City Council Meeting! scheduled for Monday, February 8, 2016 has been cancelled. The next scheduled City Council Meeting will be held on Monday, February 22, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.

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Marcus Branyon, 30, Kelly Lane Lenoir City, was

charged with Poss. of Drug Para.

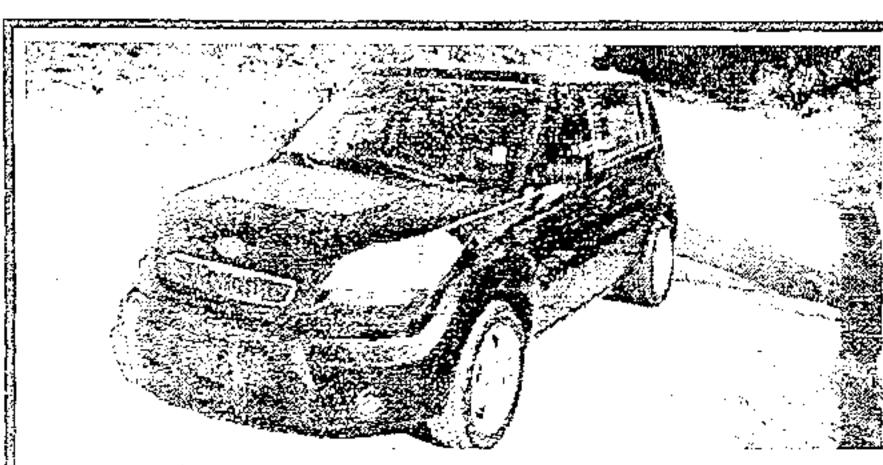
Roseanna Forsythe, 32, Gateway Lane Philadelphia, was charged with Man/Sel/ Poss. of Controlled Substance x2, Poss. of Drug Para, and

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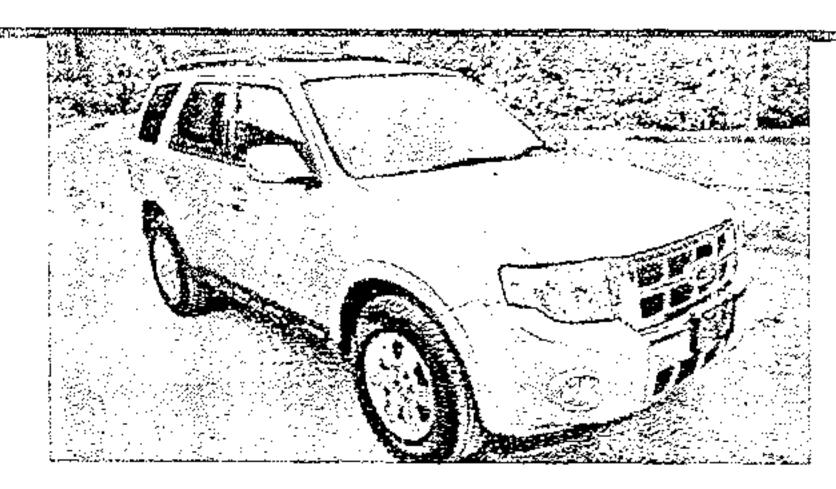
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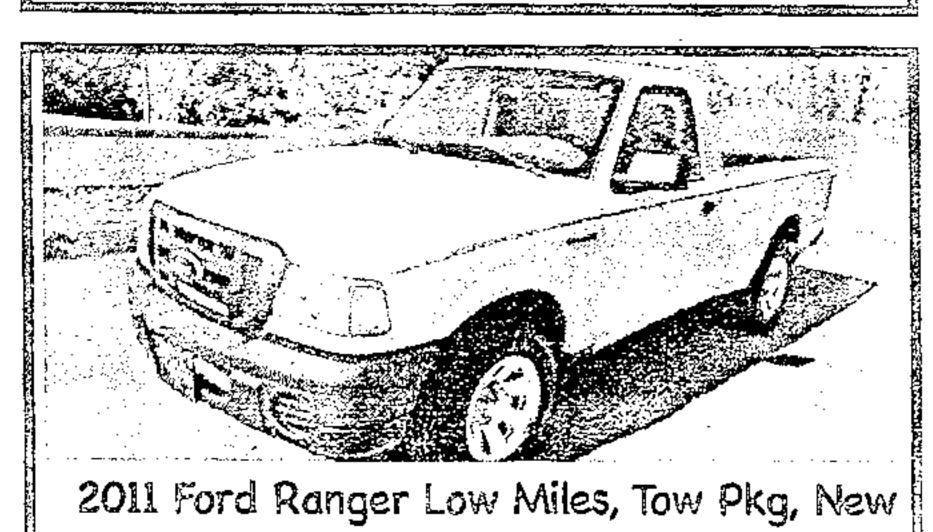
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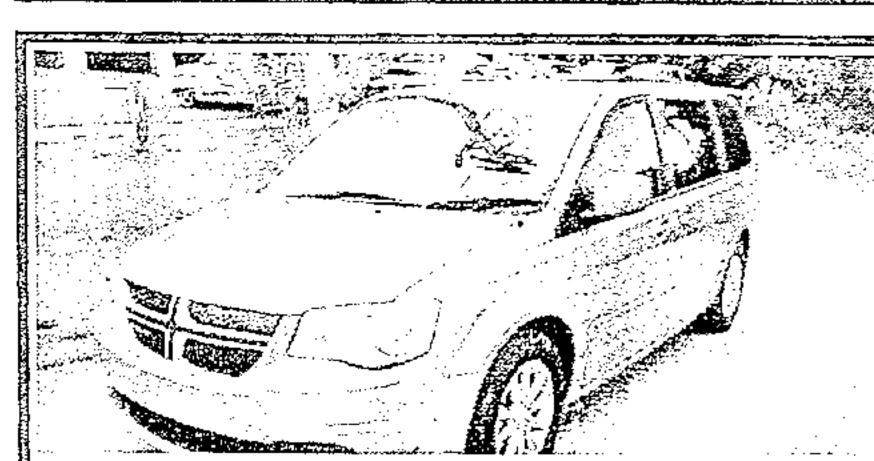
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During his appearance in Knoxville, Larson will discuss his latest book, Dead Wake, which once

again brings a past event alive—this the 100th anniversary of the disas-

Larson, who divides his time between New York City and Seattle, is the author of four national bestsellers: In the Garden of Beasts, Thunderstruck, The Devil in the White City, and Isaac's Storm. His books have been published in 17 countries and have collectively sold more than 5.5 million copies.

Reserved-seat tickets for the author event are \$21 and will be available to the public on February 8 through knoxbijou.com, the Tennessee Theatre Box Office or by calling (865) 684-1200 (Ext. 2). Each ticket holder will receive a paperback copy of Dead Wake. A special book signing will occur on stage after the author's reading.

For more information, please visit knoxfriends.org/erik-larson.

time, the last crossing of the Lusitania. Dead Wake, to be released in paperback on March 22, ushers readers aboard the Lusitania as it begins its tragic and final crossing. It is a timely trip, as 2015 marked

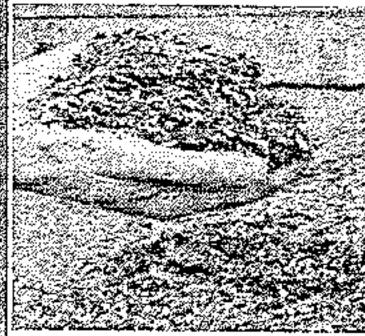
trio ctd. from pg. 2 Tampering/Fabricating with Evidence.

Kevin Deputy Dailey LCSO, observed a black vehicle driving on Norwood St. heading towards Johnson Drive with its bright lights passing Deputy the driver dimmed the lights. A traffic stop was initiated at Browder Hollow Road and Foster where Deputy came in contact with the driver

Bradley Brooks and 3 other passengers, Roseanna Forsythe, Marcus Branyon, and a female. Bradley was ask to step out of the vehicle. After speaking with Bradley his story ad the passenger story did not match up. While patting Bradley down for weapons Deputy observed 3 clear baggies inside his shoe. Inside the baggies was what appeared to be crystal meth

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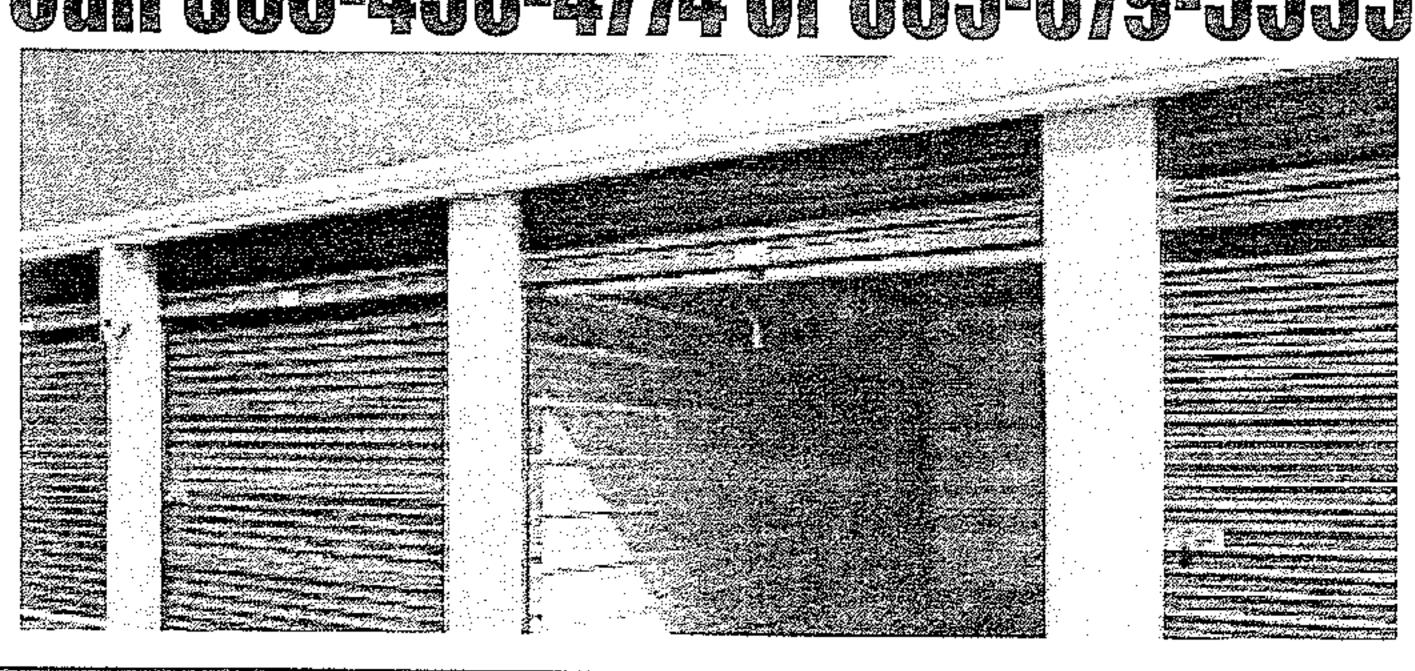




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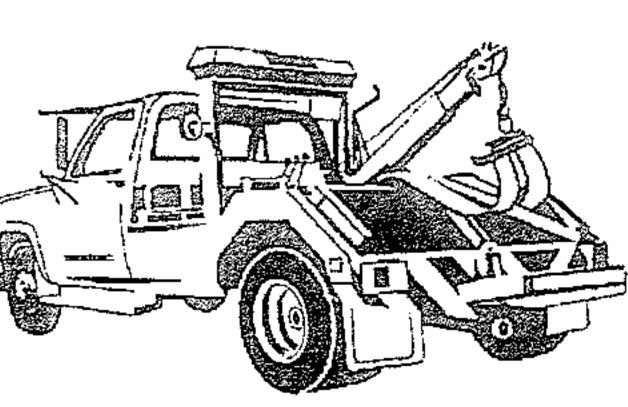
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longing to Collins on three different dates over the course of three months. These images and videos were of minors engaging in sexual activity. The FBI, along with an Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Officer from the Bradley County Sheriff's Department, discovered that Collins had

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more than 80,000 images and 300 videos on his computer and other electronic storage media. The images and videos were compared with those from known victims through the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's (NCMEC) database. The NCMEC database found that the images belonged to 222 known victim series and

the videos belonged to 90 known victim series.

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

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Thank you.

distribution conspiracy and international money laundering conspiracy centered in northeast Tennes-

PUBLIC NOTICE

Personnel Committee Meeting

The City of Lenoir City Personnel Com-

mittee will meet at City Hall, in the small

conference room, on Thursday, February

111, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. The purpose of the

meeting will be to discuss a proposed Job

Announcement/Description for a position

see, southwest Virginia and western North Carolina.

A-PVP is a synthetic drug primarily ordered from China, which is commonly referred to on the street as "gravel" or "flakka." Common effects on users include: extreme paranoia; hallucinations; elevated blood pressure; extremely high body temperature; excited delirium; staying awake for days; hostility and having exceptional strength without apparent fatigue. These are many of the characteristics of the drug that make it very dangerous for the user but also for law enforcement responding to people who are high on it. A-PVP has been referred to by users of the substance as "meth on steroids."

According to the plea agreement on file with U.S. District Court, Braddock admitted that he conspired to distribute and was accountable for a conservative estimate of between 35,000 and 75,000 grams (35 to 75 kilograms) of a-PVP between January 2012 and October 2014. As early as January 2012, Braddock and co-de-

fendant Joshua Lindsey, 29, of Lyman, S.C., became involved in obtaining a-PVP from China and redistributing it for profit. In January 2013, Braddock was arrested following a search of a motel room he rented in Hendersonville, N.C., in which approximately 500 grams of a-PVP, scales, ledgers, packaging slips from China and two firearms were found. Later in the month, motel employees notified law enforcement officers that another international package had been delivered there for Braddock. This second package also contained 500 grams of a-PVP.

Braddock was granted pretrial release, but continued to obtain and distribute a-PVP from China. In February 2013, Braddock's brother, Richard Allen Lowe, 51, of Landrum, S.C., began assisting him in the conspiracy. Between February 2013 and September 2013, Lowe obtained packages of a-PVP from China and conspired to distribute approximately 12,500 grams of a-PVP. Lowe was sentenced on January 27, 2016 to serve 80 months in federal prison.

Braddock sold the majority of his a-PVP to customers and other dealers from east Tennessee at a wooded lot in Hendersonville, N.C. Braddock and another codefendant, Richard Ware, 73, of Hendersonville, developed a system to aid in avoiding detection from law enforcement by texting back and forth with customers and executing the money and drug drops at separate times to avoid conducting hand to hand transactions. However, as the conspiracy continued, Braddock sold a-PVP on repeated occasions to a customer who was working with law enforce-During recorded ment. conversations and meetings with that customer, Braddock offered to sell his contact information for his a-PVP supplier in China for \$50,000.00. In another recording, Braddock told the customer, "I'm telling you person to person, if you don't do it (a-PVP), you'll make as much as you want to make, if you're gonna

(see A-PVP ctd. pg. 6)

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Special-Called Purchasing Committee Meeting

The Lenoir City Purchasing Committee will be holding a special-called meeting at City Hall on Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 9:30 A.M. The purpose of the meeting will be to review and discuss the bids received in the previous Purchasing Commit-Itee Meeting.

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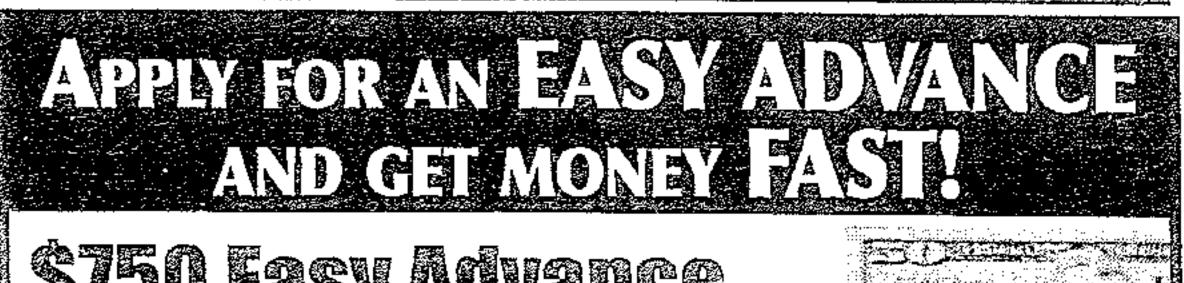
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FBI

Acts of cruelty against animals are now counted alongside felony crimes like arson, burglary, assault, and homicide in the FBI's expansive criminal database.

On January 1, the Bureau's National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) began collecting detailed data from participating law enforcement agencies

Before this year, crimes that involved animals were lumped into an "All Other Offenses" category in the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program's annual Crime in the United States report, a survey of crime data provided by about 18,000 city, county, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement agencies.

By adding animal cruelty offenses to NIBRS, on acts of animal cru- law enforcement agenelty, including gross ne- cies and the advocacy glect, torture, organized groups that pushed for abuse, and sexual abuse. the inclusion in the FBI

database are hoping the results will reveal a more complete picture of the nature of cruelty to animais.

"Some studies say that cruelty to animals is a precursor to larger said Nelson Ferry, who works in the Bureau's Criminal Statistics Management Unit, which manages NIBRS. "That's one of the items that we're looking at."

The National Sheriffs'

set in the Bureau's collection of crime statistics. The association for years has cited studies linking animal abuse and other types of crimes—most famously, murders committed by serial killers like Ted Bundy, Jeffrey Dahmer, and the "Son of Sam" killer David Berkowitz. The organization also points out the overlap animal abuse has with domestic violence ' and child abuse.

Association was a lead- "If somebody is harming advocate for adding ing an animal, there is a animal cruelty as a data good chance they also

are hurting a human," said John Thompson, deputy executive director of the National Sheriffs' Association. "If we see patterns of animal abuse, the odds are that something else is going on."

A first look at NIBRS animal cruelty statistics will be available next year, but it will take at least three to five years for the data to begin showing helpful patterns. Groups that advocated for the new animal cruelty data hope that by adding it to NIBRS—rather than the summary-based statistics agencies provide the Bureau each year—they will get a much richer data set from which to mine. That's because NI-BRS requires participating agencies to not only report crimes but also all the circumstances of a crime. Additionally, the Bureau plans to phase out summary-based UCR statistics—which have been collected roughly the same way since 1930—in favor of NI-BRS by 2021.

"With summary data, all I can tell you is a crime occurred," said Amy Blasher, who is leading the broader transition to NIBRS at the FBI's Criminal Justice Information Services Division, keeper of the Bureau's various crime data stores. "With the incident-based, it's more granular. It tells the story."

The move to collect more granular data requires agencies to adjust how they track and disseminate crime statistics. Only about 31 percent of the country is represented in NIBRS today—a fraction of the overall UCR participants; however, Blasher anticipates the figure to grow larger as law enforcement agencies opt in, including police departments in Washington, D.C. and Chicago over the next

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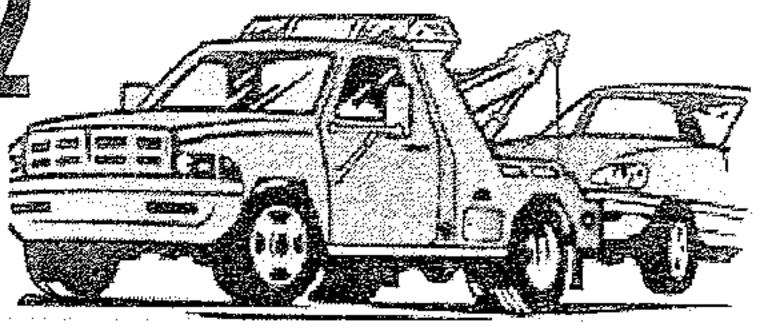
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containing 3 1/2 pills identified as Lisino-

Marcus Branyon who and Deputy located and a scale inside his shoe.

Roseanna Forsythe who was consistently moving around in the backseat exited the vehicle where she admitted to a black bag in the backseat where

needle and a bag of of what appeared to

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two years. The FBI is aggressively pushing for the transition to NIBRS. In a speech last March in Atlanta, FBI Director James Comey said it was his personal mission to get better data "that we can all use to have informed conversations about the most important issues we face."

Those who lobbied for better animal abuse data would agree. "With this information, law enforcement and victim services would be able to better target their intervention efforts with respect to both animal cruelty and those crimes for which animal

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cruelty serves as a marker," said Dr. Mary Lou Randour of the Animal Welfare Institute, which worked closely with the National Sheriffs' Association to advance their cause. "Identifying and analyzing animal cruelty crimes would provide an important tool for law enforcement."

Sher-National iffs' Association's John Thompson urged people to shed the mindset that animal cruelty is a crime only against animals. "It's a crime against society," he said, urging all law enforcement agencies to participate in NIBRS. "By paying attention to [these crimes], we are benefiting all of society."

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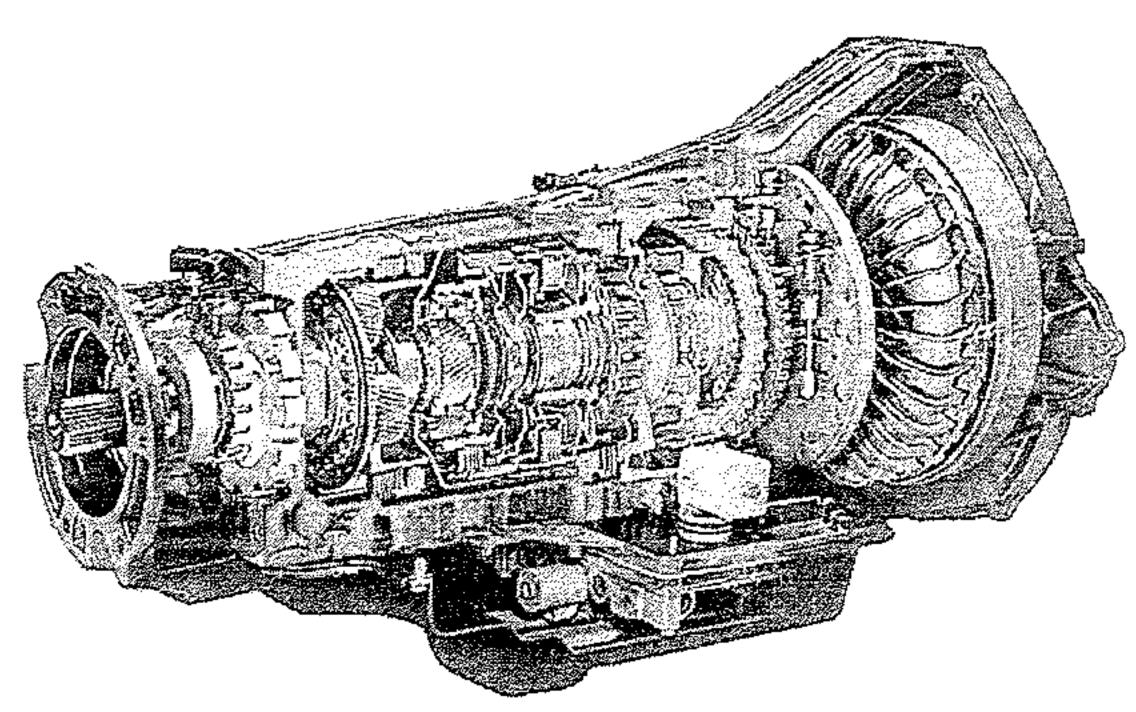
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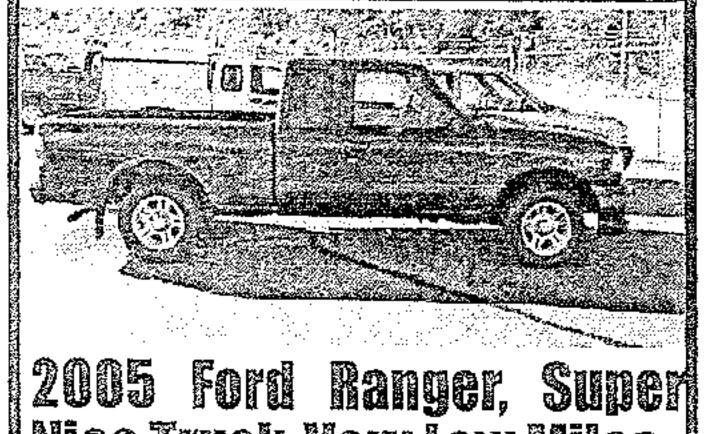


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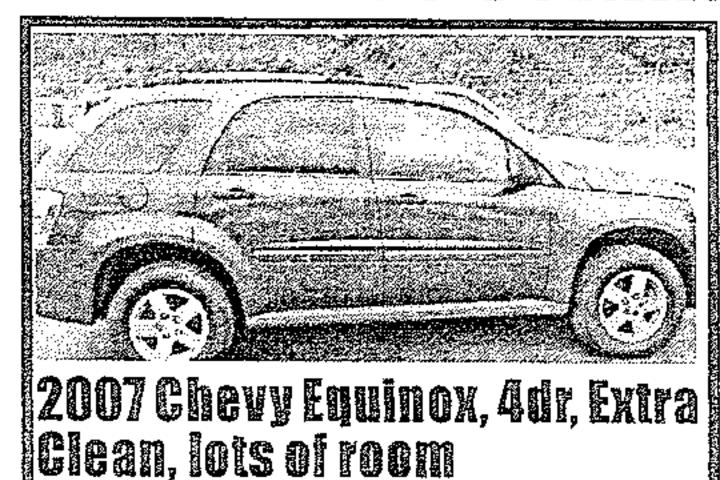
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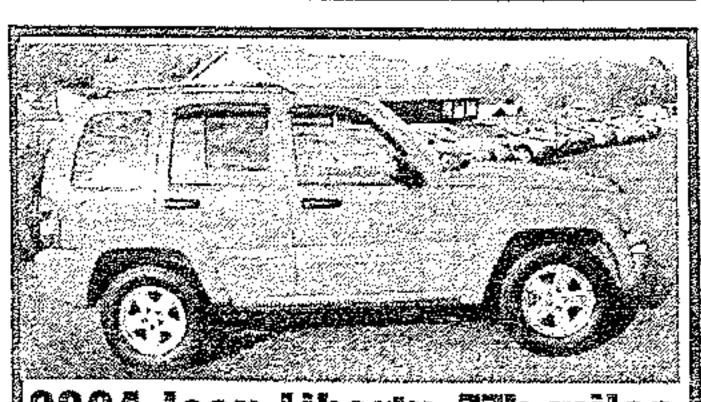


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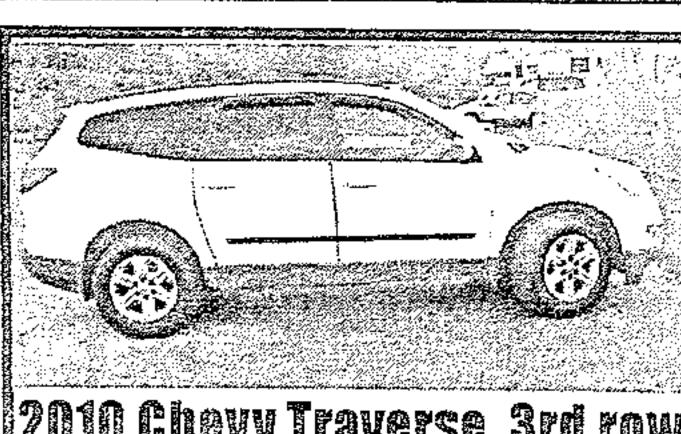




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