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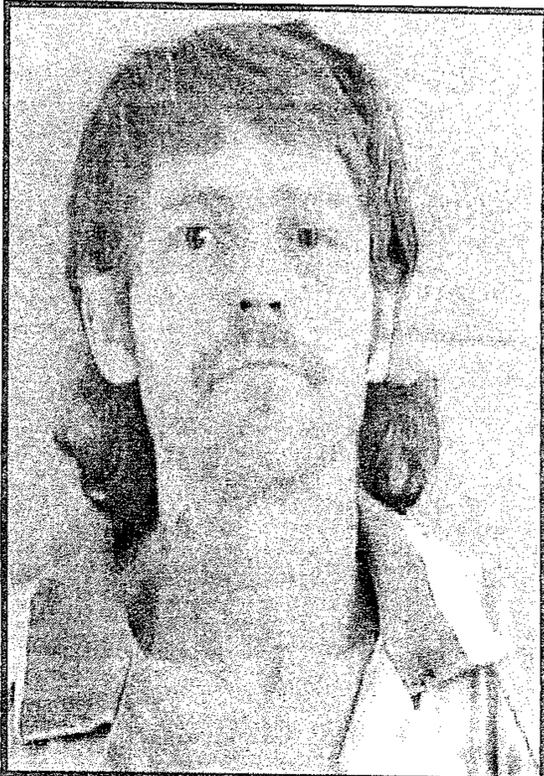
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Monday, March 14, 2016

## Drugs for resale, firearm and more found during LCSO stop



Jeffrey Elsea



Jason Rinehart (see LCSO pg. 2)

## Joshua Hayworth sentenced to more than 16 years in prison for Hobbs Act Robbery and Carjacking

Joshua Hayworth, 25, of Loudon, Tenn., was sentenced on March 10, 2016, by the Honorable Thomas A. Varlan, U.S. District Court Chief Judge, to serve 200 months in federal prison.

After a jury trial in July 2015, Hay-  
(see sentenced pg. 7)

## FATALITY FIRE INVESTIGATION

The Loudon County Sheriff's Office, along with the Tennessee Bomb and Arson Division, are investigating a house fire involving a fatality. On Wednesday, March 9, 2016, at approximately 2:30 pm, the fire at 17735 Vonore Road in Loudon, TN was reported to E911. The sole victim has been identified as Richard Todd Dirksen, age 60, who lived alone.

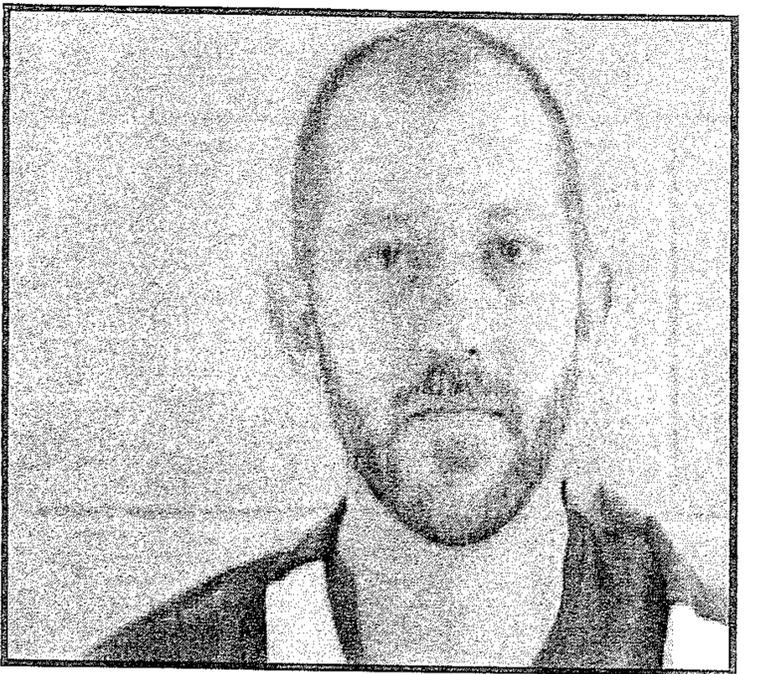
(see fire pg. 5)

## Suspended driver adds charge at the jail



Donald McCoy (see charge pg. 5)

## Man throws all kinds of items during assault



Jamie Couch (see assault pg. 3)

### Verse of the Day

For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ. — 1 Corinthians 3:11

### Obituaries

see inside  
**Wazzup**  
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### Weather

Today: Mixed clouds and sun with scattered thunderstorms. High 72F.  
Tonight: Partly cloudy skies. Low 51F.  
Tuesday Sunny skies. High 79F.  
Tuesday Night Partly

cloudy. Low near 50F.

### Horoscopes

Pisces 2/19-3/20

It is a tortoise-and-the-hare kind of day -- and you are now playing the role of both of these characters. You're off to a quick start

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**LCSO**

Jeffery Elsea, 46, East Farrelle Niota, was charged with Man/Sell/Del/Resale SCH. II, Poss. of a Firearm During a Dangerous Situation, Contraband in a Penal Institution, Prohibited Weapons, Simple Possession, and Poss. of Drug Para.

Jason Rinehart, 43, Green-

wood Circle Madisonville, was charged with Man/Sell/Del/Resale SCH. II, Contraband in a Penal Institution, Prohibited Weapon, Simple Poss., and Poss. of Drug Para..

Cpl. Chris Hutchens LCSO, observed a vehicle turn onto Spring Street from Hwy 11. There were two males in the

(see LCSO ctd. pg. 4)

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assault

Jamie Brian Couch, 37, Watkins Road, Loudon, was charged with domestic assault.

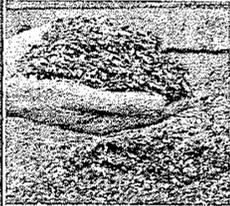
Deputy Mark Tinnel LCSO, was dispatched to Watkins Road, Loudon, TN on a call

of domestic assault.

Upon arrival, Deputy spoke with the complainants/victim. Victim advised that she had got into an argument with her husband, Jamie B. Couch. She stated that the argument was over Mr. Couch talking to another female over Facebook. She stated that when she attempted to get his phone, he got mad and threw her across the room, hit her in the head, and took her phone, saying that he would kill her. She stated that she then ran outside of the house, where Mr. Couch went after her throwing a golf club and pogo stick at her. She stated she got in her car, and Mr. Couch dragged her out of it,

hitting her in the head. Victim did have visible swelling on her forehead. and the golf club was laying near the car. Mr. Couch was taken into custody for domestic violence assault, and transported to the Loudon County Jail. Deputy Mark Tinnel LCSO, made the arrest.

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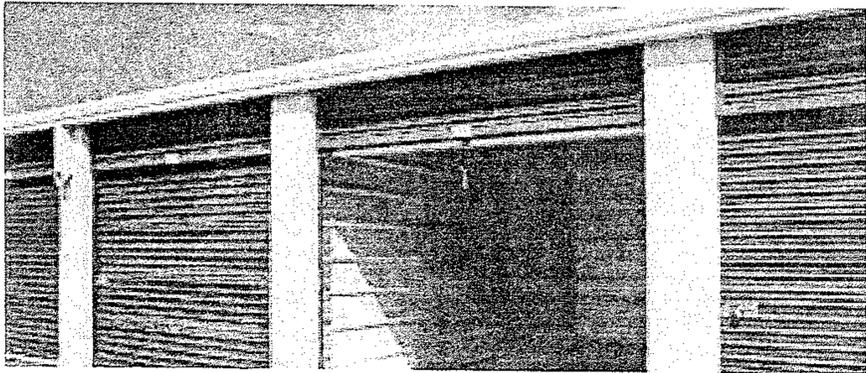
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 vehicle and the passenger was not wearing a seatbelt. Deputy conducted a traffic stop, and made contact with the driver Jason Rinehart, and the passenger Jeffery Elsea. Jeffery stated that they were riding around and came to drop some money off to his daughter. Both parties were very nervous during the encounter, and Jeffery's phone rang continuously during the stop. Deputy ask both parties were ask to exit the vehicle and Jeffery stated there was a handgun underneath the seat. Once both parties exited the vehicle Deputy secured the weapon. A check revealed Jeffery to have an active warrant out of McMinn. Deputy deployed his  
 (see LCSO ctd. pg. 5)

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charge

Donald Edeard McCoy, 38, of Agnes Street, Knoxville, was charged with driving on revoked/suspended license and contraband in a penal institution.

Officer Nick Halsey LCSO, initiated a traffic stop on Donald Edward McCoy for a registration violation. Upon further investigation it was made known

to Officer that Mr. McCoy was operating the motor vehicle on a suspended driver license. Mr. McCoy was then taken into custody and transported to the Loudon Co jail without incident. Upon entering the jail to be searched, Mr. McCoy stated that he had marijuana inside his pants on his person after Officer asked him if he had anything else on him. Options were

explained to Mr. McCoy. Officer Nick Halsey LCPD, made the arrest.

**Fire**

An autopsy has been performed and the investigation is ongoing at this time.

**GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER DINNER AND AUCTION**

The Good Shepherd Center of Monroe County will hold

its annual fund raising Dinner and Auction on April 2, 2016.

The location will be at the Tellico West Conference Center, 121 Grand Vista, Vonore TN 37885.

The silent auction will begin at 5:30 PM and the catered dinner will be at 6:30 PM.

Entertainment will be the dynamic singing duo known as Vocal Point.

Tickets are \$40 each, of which 20 dollars is income

tax deductible. For those who wish to support the Good Shepherd but are unable to attend this function, there are Feed a Family tickets available, also \$40 each.

Tickets may be purchased at The Good Shepherd Center, The Monroe County Chamber of Commerce, the Kahite Club House and individual Good Shepherd volunteers.

The Good Shepherd Center is a 501©3 organization.

Some of the things The Good Shepherd Center provides are food to over 2,100 men, women and children every month, personal care items as requested, clothing to each person per household, miscellaneous items each month, transportation via ETHRA for medical appointments, emergency housing for fire victims, layette sets for newborn babies and utility vouchers.

The Good Shepherd Center is supported financially by churches, local businesses, and individuals. Additional funds are provided through grants, auxiliary groups, Monroe County governmental agencies and fundraising events such as this Dinner/Auction event.

LCSO ctd. from pg. 4

partner K-9 Dante to sniff the vehicle and he did alert. During a search of the vehicle in the backseat a camera case was found with two clear baggies, one containing meth and the other marijuana, and a meth pipe. Beside the driver seat and console was a set of brass knuckles, accessible to both parties. Both parties were placed under arrest. Once at the jail both were search and located on Jeffery

(see Lcso conc.. pg. 8)

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**sentenced**

worth was convicted of a Hobbs Act robbery at the Burger King located on Simpson Road in Lenoir City, Tenn., which occurred on Jan. 30, 2014, and a carjacking in Knoxville, Tenn., which occurred on Feb. 3, 2014. The trial evidence showed that during the Burger King robbery, Hayworth brandished an airsoft pistol and, while pointing the pistol at the employees, ordered them to fill up a bag with money from the safe. His co-defendant, Timothy Chudley, was employed at the Burger King and, unbeknownst to his

co-workers, was in on the robbery. During the commission of the robbery, Hayworth hit Chudley in the head with his pistol, causing Chudley to bleed. Hayworth fled the Burger King in a vehicle that he wrecked less than one mile from the Burger King. He left the accident scene before law enforcement arrived, but the trial evidence revealed that the vehicle contained: the pistol used during the robbery;

the robber's mask, which contained Hayworth's DNA; Hayworth's identification card; and prescription medication in Hayworth's name. Cash from the robbery was also recovered from within the wrecked vehicle and all over the highway. Finally, Hayworth's cellular telephone, which contained text messages to and from Chudley that showed their planning of the robbery, was also recovered.

Although law enforcement searched for Hayworth, he was not found on the night of the Burger King robbery. Trial evidence revealed that four days

after the Burger King robbery, Hayworth carjacked a pregnant woman in Knoxville, Tenn., who was less than one week away from delivering her baby. After he violently wrestled the keys away from her, the pregnant victim had to endure an agonizing wait for an ambulance as she feared that her full-term baby, who was not moving, was dead. Upon arriving at the hospital, it was discovered that the baby was, in fact, healthy.

Agencies involved in this investigation include the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Safe Streets Task Force, which is made

up of agents with the FBI and officers from the Knoxville Police Department and Knox County Sheriff's Office; Knoxville Police Department; Knox County Sheriff's Office Major Crimes Unit; Loudon County Sheriff's Office, and Lenoir City Police Department. Assistant U.S. Attorneys Kelly A. Norris and Cynthia F. Davidson represented the United States.

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Chris Hutchens LCSO,  
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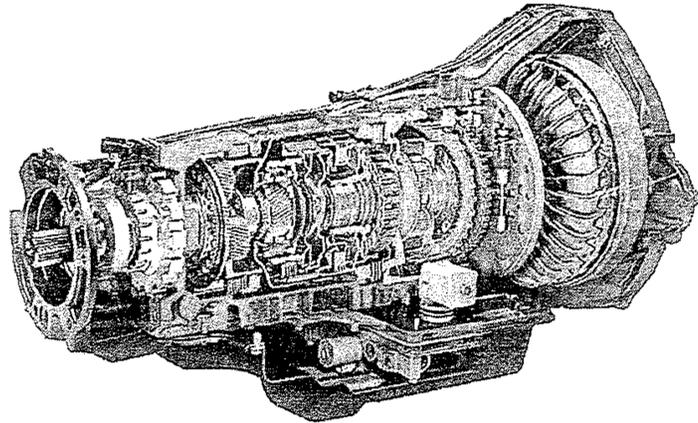
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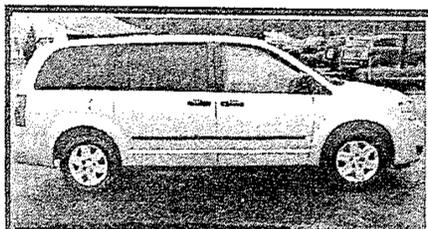
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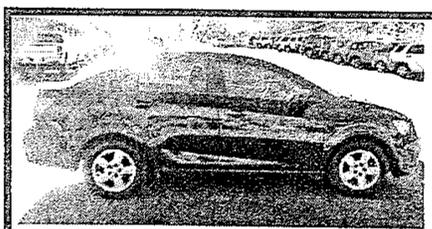
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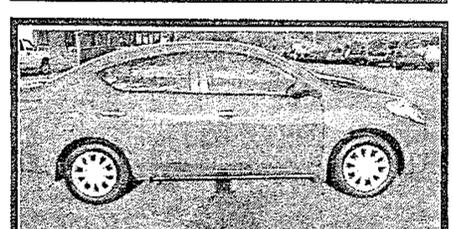
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