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Friday, January 25, 2019

LC Man Leads LCSO On Chase With Stolen Vehicle Then Surrenders



Haushann Simpson

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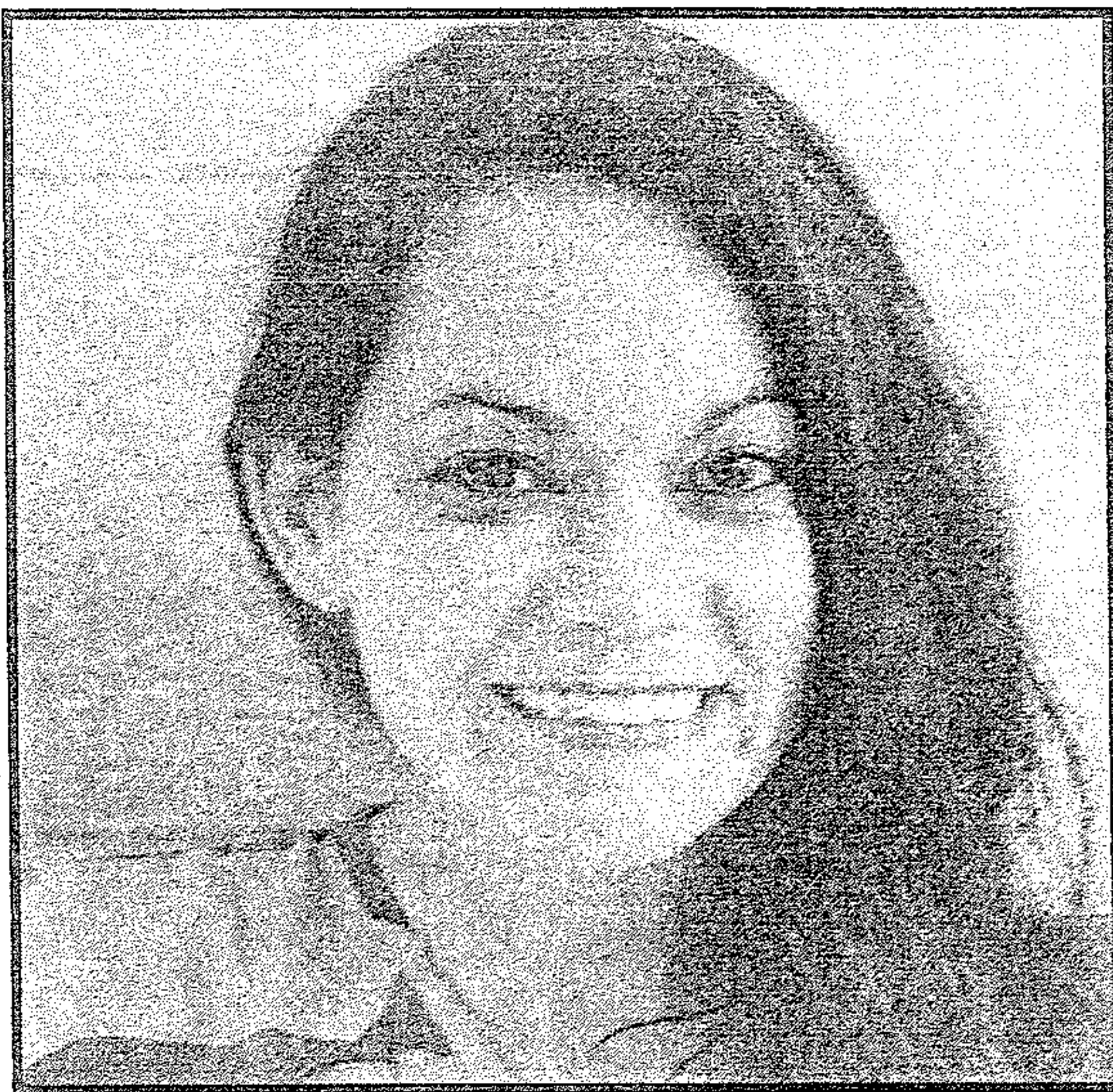
Driver Takes Out Light Pole And Mailboxes While Driving Drunk



Rachel Wolf

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Loudon Woman Charged With DUI



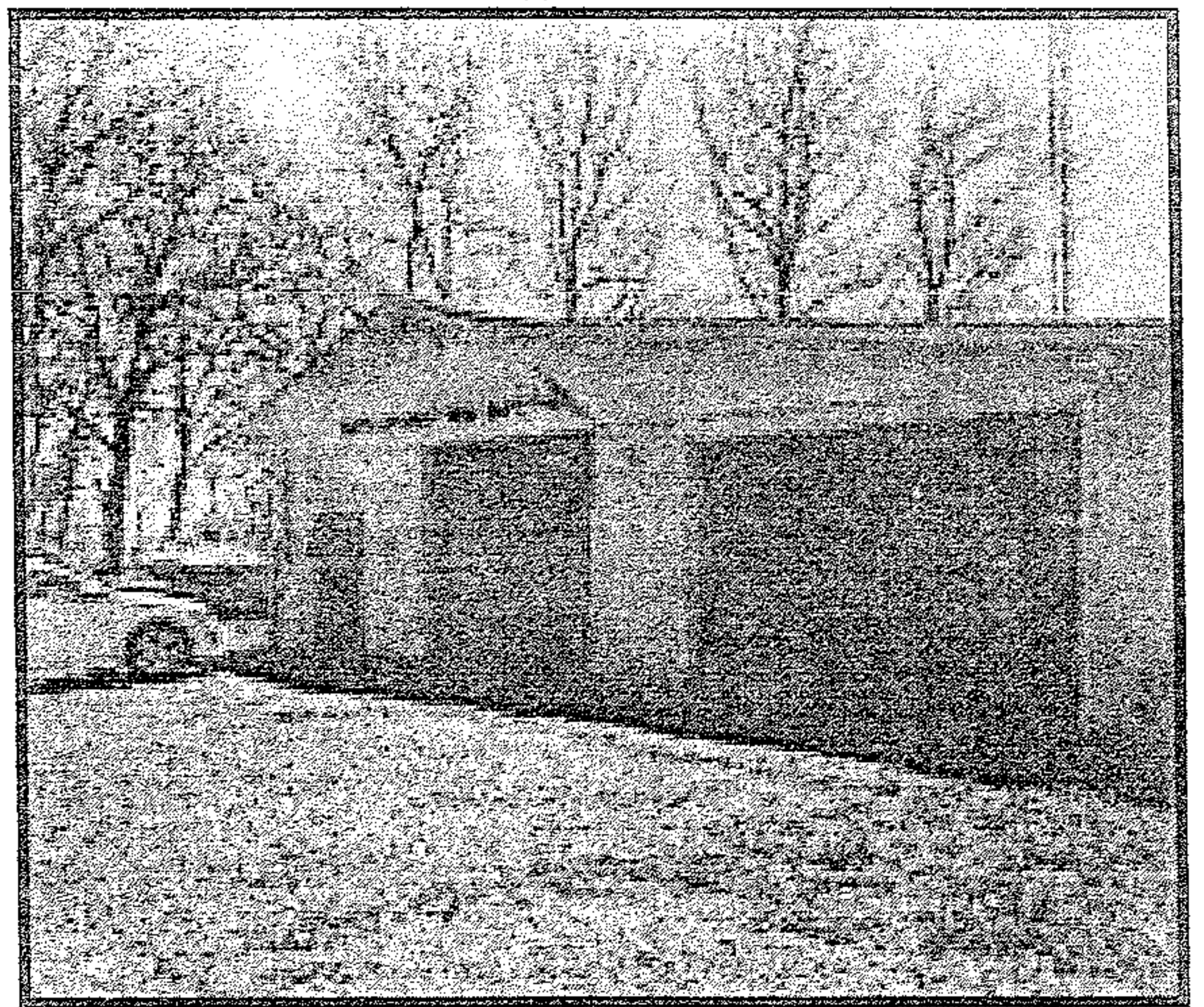
Mindi Cook

(see Pothole pg. 4)

The Good News The Rev. Dr. Julius McCarter

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
Paul's congregation in Corinth was a fractured group. If you've ever been part of a church family experiencing dissension or division, know you're in good company. This letter is Paul's appeal for unity. Like Nehe-
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Former Volunteer Fire Chief Stole from Department



See Theft P.4



Verse of the Day

Peter and John replied, "Judge for yourselves whether it is right in God's sight to obey you rather than God. For we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard."

— Acts 4:19-20

Wazzup

Congratulations to all the officers on the new drug task force

Weather

Today: Sunny. High of 37F.

Tonight: Cloudy. Low of

23F.

Saturday: Cloudy. High of 44F.

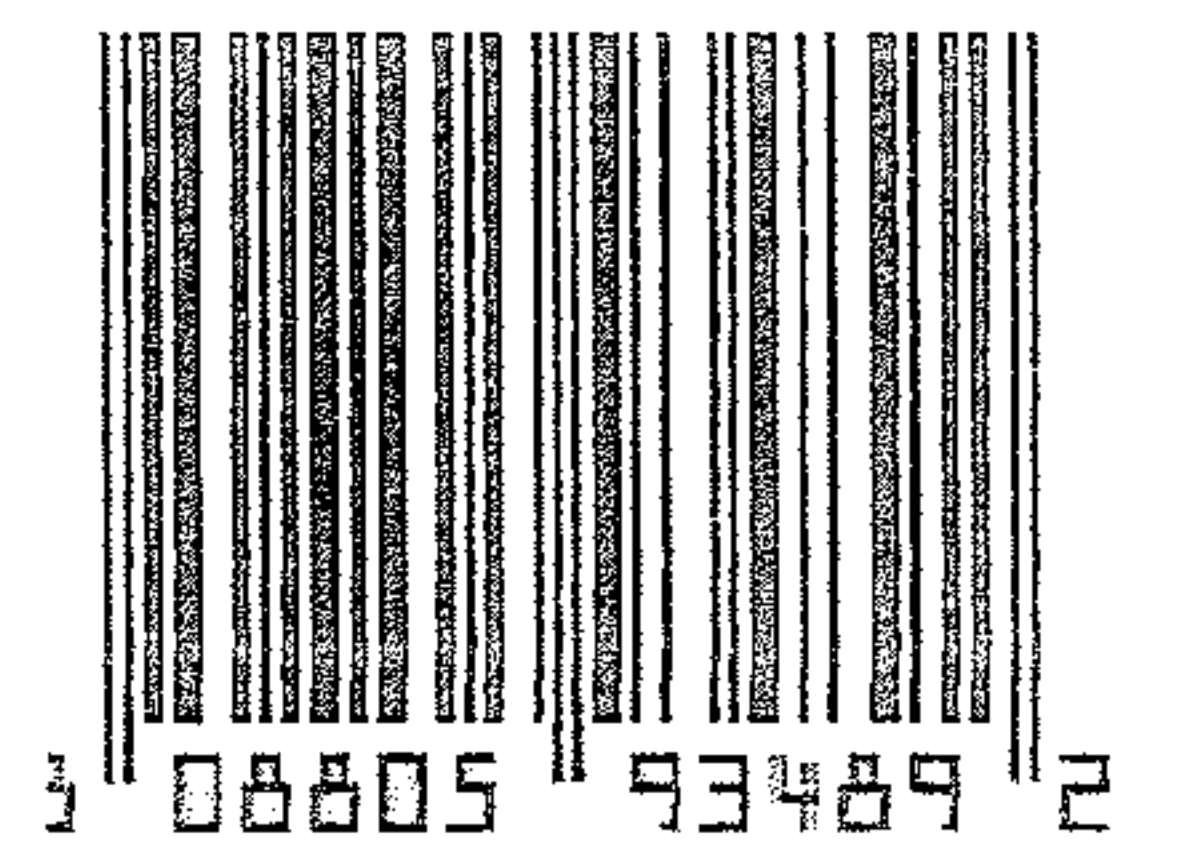
Saturday Night: Cloudy. Low of 31F.

Horoscopes

Aquarius 1/20-2/18

It seems that the more time you devote to fur-

thering a worthy cause, the more energy you have today. However, this observation is not restricted completely to charity, environmental, or humanitarian projects. Initiate action that
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Stolen

Haushann Simpson, 29, Cory Drive Lenoir City, was charged with Evading Arrest x2, Theft of Property, Criminal Impersonation, Man/Sell/Del/Resale Sch. VI, and Violation of Parole. Deputy Spradlin LCSO,

observed a red vehicle traveling on Hwy 11 with no rear taillights on and a dark tinted cover over the license plate. Deputy initiated a traffic stop on the vehicle close to the Loudon Justice Center. Upon contact with the driver Deputy ask

for his license, the driver dropped his license before he handed it to Deputy and could not find it. Deputy ask the driver for his name social security number and birthdate. The driver stated his name

was Darren and gave a wrong birthday. Deputy could smell the odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle, and ask the driver to step out of the

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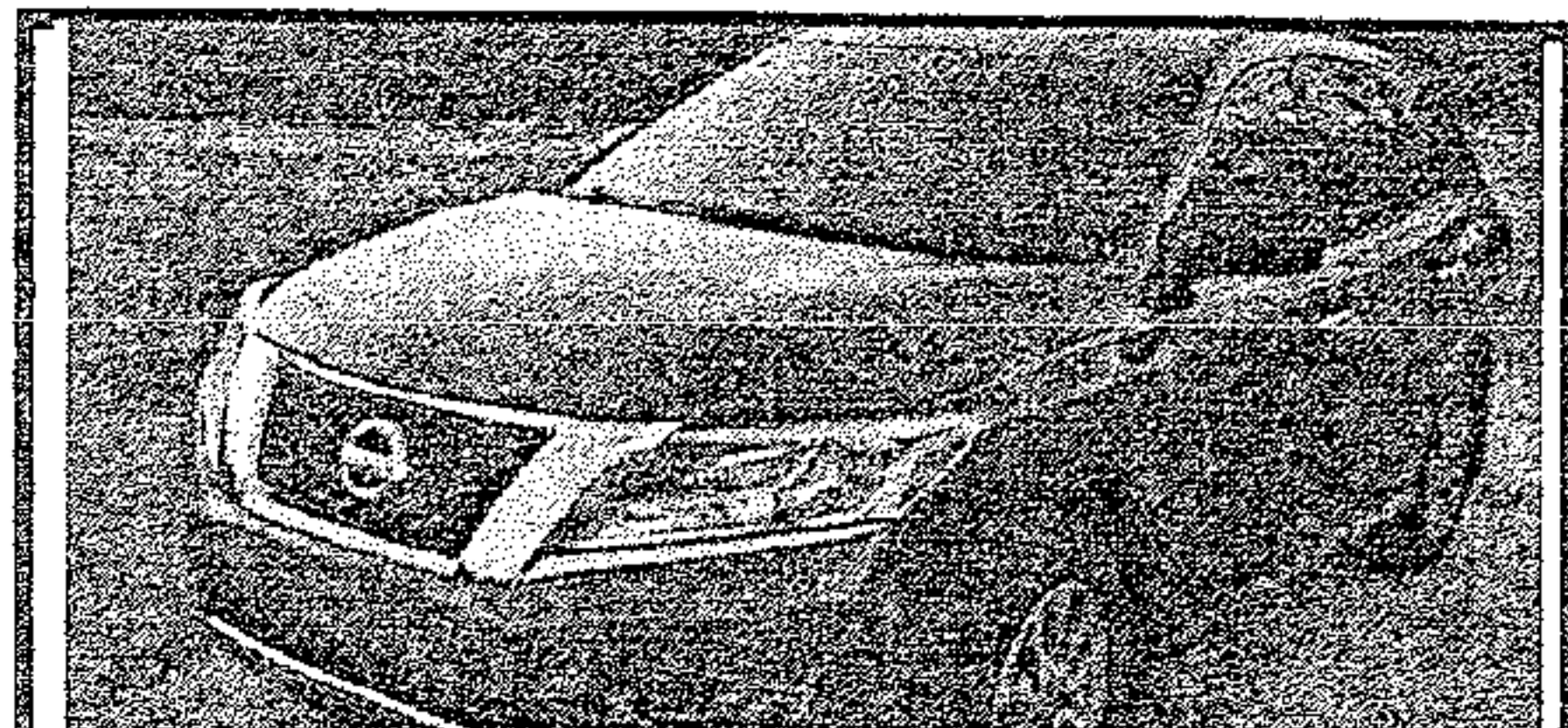
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vehicle. The driver put the vehicle in drive and took off down Hwy 11. Deputy gave chase to the vehicle traveling down Sugarlimb Road. The vehicle turned onto old Sugarlimb Road, where Deputy lost the vehicle. Deputy Rogers spotted the vehicle on

Crock Road and initiated a traffic stop, the vehicle continued to evade from Deputies. The vehicle turned onto Cory drive and the driver ran from the vehicle and into an apartment on Cory Drive. After a brief standoff the offender came out of the Apt. and surrendered. The

offender was identified as Haushann Simpson. During a search Deputy located a bag of green leafy substance suspected to be marijuana weighing approx.. 25.4 grams. A check of the vehicle through dispatch revealed it to be stolen out of Georgia. Simpson was placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon Jail. While at the jail a warrant for Parole Violation was located.

on Hwy 11 near Legacy Park. Upon arrival Officer made contact with Rachel Wolf who was sitting in the driver seat, she had thrown up and there was a strong odor of alcohol. Officer ask Wolf if she was hurt she stated her head hurting , she had a red mark on her forehead and a scratch. Officer called for EMS to check Wolf out and was cleared. Wolf stated she had drank at a residence in Loudon. Wolf had ran off the roadway knocking down 2 mail boxes, and cut a power pole in half. Wolf was placed under arrest. Wolf agreed to breath test and blew a .123.

DUI

Rachel Wolf, 19, Head of the Creek Sweetwater, was charged with DUI, and Vandalism x3. Officer Benny Houser LPD, was dispatched to a wreck without injury

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Public Notice

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Loudon Regional Planning Commission
Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 12:30
Loudon City Hall

Loudon County Regional Planning Commission
Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 5:30
County Courthouse Annex

Public Notice

The City of Philadelphia Mayor and Board of Aldermen will meet in a regular scheduled monthly meeting on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. located at the United Methodist Church of Philadelphia.

Pothole

Mindi Cook, 30, Clear Branch Road Loudon, was charged with DUI. Deputy Marshall Lynn LCSO, observed a vehicle traveling on Hwy 72, weaving back and forth within its lane of travel. Deputy further observed the vehicle approach the white line, without crossing it and make an abrupt correction, to center the vehicle within its lane, several times. The vehicle puled into the 72 Market for a short time before continuing on Steekee School Road toward Corinth Road. The vehicle then pulled off to the side of the road, where Deputy pulled in behind it and activated his blue lights, to alert oncoming traffic. The driver of the vehicle identified as Mindi Cook then exited her vehicle and walked around to the front of the vehicle. Deputy exited his patrol vehicle and ask Cook what her problem was, she stated she hit a pothole on Sugarlimb Road causing front end damage. Upon observation Deputy immediately detected a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage emitting from Ms. Cook's person. Deputy also noticed

Cook had bloodshot, watery Eyes, and slurred speech. Ms. Cook kept repeating the same thing. Cook did poorly on sobriety test and was placed under arrest. Cook provided a breath sample and blew .127.

Theft

Theft Occurred at Keith Springs Volunteer Fire Department in Franklin County

An investigation by the Tennessee Comptroller's Office has resulted in the indictment of Jamie Stephens, the former fire chief for the Keith Springs Volunteer Fire Department in Franklin County.

Investigators determined that Stephens stole at least \$20,293 from the fire department by making personal purchases.

Stephens withdrew thousands of dollars in cash from the fire department checking and savings accounts. He also used the department's debit card to purchase items such as televisions, food, gasoline, groceries, tires for his personal van, and a vacation rental in Panama City Beach.

The theft also included \$853 in fuel that was purchased

on the fire department's fuel account. Investigators reviewed the purchase dates and determined Stephens was not performing fire department duties, and he did not provide proper documentation to support the purchases.


In December 2017, the fire department's board of commissioners met with Stephens about his use of the bank

funds and fuel and placed him on probation. However, while on probation, Stephens continued to use the bank and fuel accounts for personal use.

On March 3, 2018, the board of commissioners elected a new fire chief. In January 2019, Jamie Stephens was indicted by the Franklin County Grand Jury on one count of

theft over \$10,000.

"It is vital that volunteer fire departments monitor financial transactions," said Comptroller Justin P. Wilson. "In this case, the treasurer told our investigators that she didn't have time to review monthly bank statements. Had this occurred, the theft may have been discovered much earlier."



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miah, Paul will call God's people back to the basics. He'll preach that more unites them than divides them. He'll remind them of their baptism, that they are all brothers and sisters--one in the Spirit, one in the Lord, one in mission. He'll tell them that this is Christ's church, where there is a place for everybody--no exceptions. All are welcome. Paul reminds us that we are the body of Christ, that we all have gifts. We celebrate this unity in diversity. We acknowledge that at the foot of the cross we are all the same. There God gives us one another; we need each

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other, and we can always do far more together than alone. Prayer: O God, may your Spirit move every human heart, that the barriers dividing us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease, and that, with our divisions healed, we might live in justice and peace. Amen.

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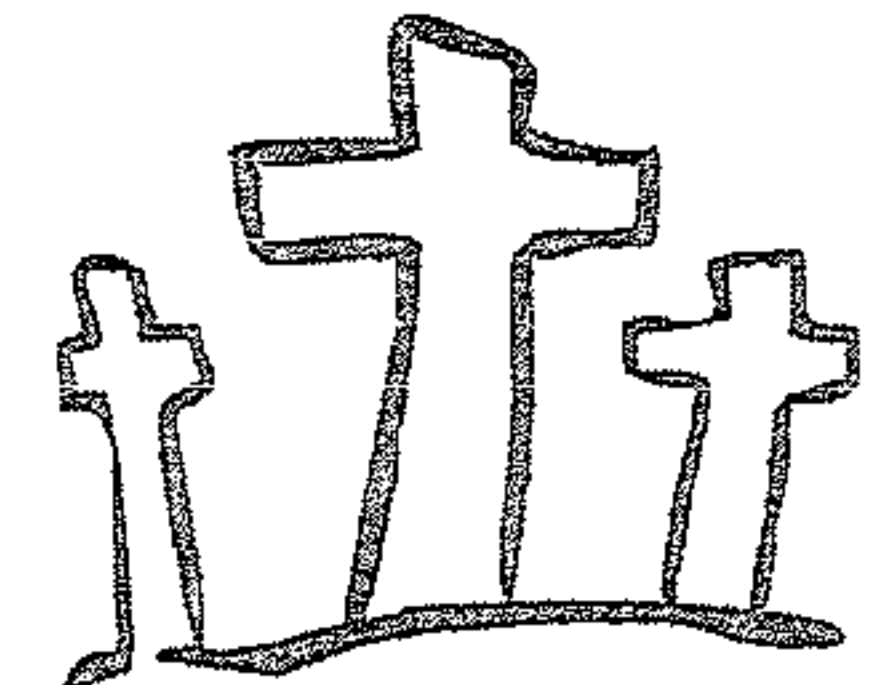
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Prayer Meeting
January 27, 2019
6:00 @ Loudon High School



A city-wide prayer meeting will be held on Sunday, January 27, at 6:00 pm in the Loudon High School auditorium. Prayer for our city, our children, our schools, and our country. Several pastors in the area are sponsoring this meeting.

This is the second city-wide prayer meeting. The first prayer meeting was held on November 4, 2018 in the Loudon High School auditorium. There were about 60-70 people at the first meeting which included some 8-10 pastors.

We need to come together and pray - a good way to start the new year. Believers from all denominations are invited. Pastors are encouraged to come and bring their congregation. Where there is unity the Lord "commands a blessing".