

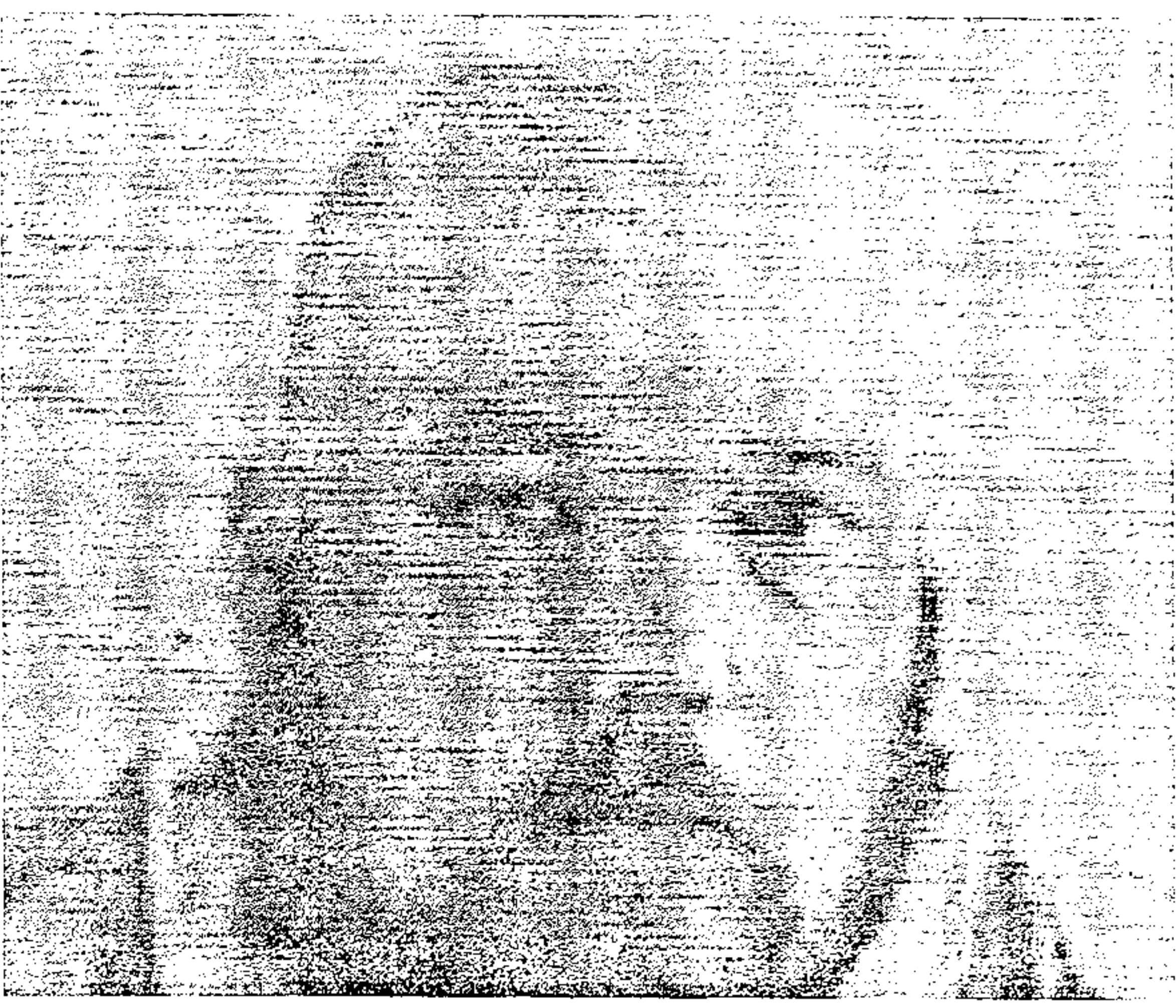
Daily Edition

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Friday, June 19, 2020

Loudon Man charged with 8 counts of Violation of Sex Offender Registry

Joshua Godfrey, 31, Caldwell Road Loudon, was charged with Violation of Probation, and Violation of Sex Offender Registry x8. The U.S. Marshals transported Joshua Godfrey to the Loudon County Jail on 8 active Offender Violations out of General Session, and a VOP Warrant out of Crim-see Violation pg. 2



Jason Godfrey

LC Man Charged with Aggravated Assault after Domestic call



Austin Keister

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DUI and Gun Charge Follows Domestic Call



Michael Williams

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Stopping Hackers in Their Tracks

FBI Arrests Hacker Who Stole Data from Tech Company

A nightmare scenario for many organizations recently became one Atlanta-based tech company's reality. But the steps the company took before and after their sensitive data was stolen by a hacker in 2018 helped the FBI identify and arrest the culprit.

Christian Kight used his computer programming skills to hack into various businesses for money while on parole

for previous crimes. Kight downloaded scripts from hacker forums and used them to attack company networks.

In the case of the Atlanta company, Kight spent a few weeks hacking into the company's network, using various tactics to hide his identity. He then downloaded the data to his own computer and deleted it from the company's systems.

Once he had the data, Kight emailed the company's CEO to demand payment in exchange for the data—but he insisted that it wasn't extortion.

"And no, I'm really NOT an extortionist, I would like to see how much you think it's worth, and if it's fair, we'll leave it at that," Kight wrote, according

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Verse of the Day
"But will God really dwell on earth with men? The heavens, even the highest heavens, cannot contain you. How much less this temple I have built!"
—2 Chronicles 6:18
Wazzup
Can you believe we are

getting an AXE Throwing Place in downtown Lenoir City? Gonna be awesome and believe that it will draw in some area visitors as well.
Weather
Today: Storms. High of 84F.
Tonight: Storms. Low of 65F
Saturday: Clear. High of 87F.

Saturday night: Clear. Low of 65F.
Sunday: Hot and Nice. High of 90F
Sunday night: Clear. Low of 67F.
Horoscope
Gemini 5/21-6/20
Changing the ways you

spend and save is strongly advised. Your 2nd House of Income demands attention now that Mercury, your ruling planet, begins its retrograde here today. Getting the most for your money will give you more resources for the activities you love.



Violation

inal Court. Deputy McCall served said warrant on Joshua Godfrey at the Loudon County Jail.

Agg. Assault

Austin Keister, 21, Melissa Way Lenoir City, was charged with Aggravated Assault. Deputy W. Jenkins LCSO, responded to Melissa Way in reference to a domestic. Deputy made contact with the victim who was shaking and visibly scared. The victim advised that her and her boyfriend Austin Keister had been arguing all night because she would not have intercourse with him. The victim stated that she tried to leave the residence, at which time Keister grabbed victim by the neck and forced her to the ground while strangling her. Victim stated she bit Keister in the arm in defense and escaped to her car to call police. Victim stated Keister followed her to the vehicle and threw a rock at the window causing a small mark. During the altercation there was two juvenile in the residence that witnessed the incident. After an investigation it was determined that Austin Keister was the primary aggressor and was placed under arrest.

Hackers

to court documents.

But whether you call it extortion or not, stealing data and demanding money to have it returned is illegal.

"The data that he took is really valuable," said Special Agent Tyson Fowler, who investigated this case out of the FBI's Atlanta Field Office. "He threatened to release this data if they didn't pay him the ransom."

"The FBI is uniquely positioned to address these crimes almost anywhere

they happen."

Tyson Fowler, special agent, FBI Atlanta

The company contacted the FBI and got to work on both restoring their data and assisting in the investigation. Fortunately, the company had a robust backup system, so employees restored the data within days.

Additionally, the company shared critical information from its network's access logs and other records,

which helped the FBI track the IP address of the hacker. After getting a search warrant based on that information, agents found overwhelming evidence against Kight in his San Clemente, California home.

"In the cyber world, it's very hard to secure a network to the point that it's never breachable, but you can make it as difficult as possible to break in," Fowler

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IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY TENNESSEE
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Regarding the Estate of:
J. Will Jones, deceased
DKT#6097

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(As required by Chapter No 180, Public Acts of Tennessee 1809 As Amended by Public Chapter 806 on 05/09/2012)

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th DAY OF JUNE 2020 Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of J. Will Jones who died on the 24th day of FEBRUARY 2020 be issued to the undersigned by the Loudon County Probate Court of Loudon County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and non-resident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the abovenamed court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claim will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication (or posting) as described in (1) (A); or
(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

THIS THE 8th DAY OF JUNE 2020

Steve Harrelson, Clerk
BY: Robyn Shannon, Deputy Clerk
Penny Glasgow, Chief Deputy Clerk

By Personal Representative(s)
Ken Jones J. Will Jones, II

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All Claims must be submitted on a claim form, notarized with invoices/statements; in triplicate, with a fee of \$11.00 to Loudon County Probate Court 12680 Highway 11 West Ste. 3, Lenoir City, TN 37971

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said.

If someone does break into a network, having strong activity logging on the network in place beforehand can help authorities track the hacker.

The cooperation from the victim company was critical in this case.

Last December, Kight pleaded guilty to extortion, computer fraud, and wire fraud. He was sentenced in March to more than seven years in prison.

Fowler said it was clear that Kight was perfecting his hacking skills, and there would have been more victims had he not been caught and prosecuted. Imposing consequences on hackers who do harm to companies and individuals is vital.

"I've arrested people all over the world for these types of crimes," Fowler explained. "The FBI is uniquely positioned to address these crimes almost anywhere they happen."

Fraud

Michael Williams, 25, Fort Hill Street Loudon, was charged with DUI, Poss. Of a Handgun while under the influence, Violation of Implied Consent, Driving on Revoked/Suspended License, and Simple Possession. Officer James Cogdill LPD, observed a silver vehicle matching the description of a vehicle that was involved in a domestic in the city. Officer ran the tag the registration and it did match the male involved in a domestic. Officer traffic stopped the vehicle on Hwy 72, and made contact with the driver Michael Williams. Officer observed Williams had blood shot watery eyes, and a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage emitting from his person. Dispatch

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY TENNESSEE

IN REGARDS TO THE ESTATE OF: DOCKET NO: 6103 SUZANNE MCELROY

SEGER, deceased, a resident of Loudon County, TN

Notice is hereby given that on the 16th DAY OF JUNE 2020 Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of SUZANNE MCELROY SEGER, who died on the 17th DAY OF MARCH 2020, were issued to the undersigned by the Loudon County Probate Court of Loudon County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the above named court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claim will be forever barred:

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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

This the 16th DAY OF JUNE 2020

STEVE HARRELSON, CLERK

BY: Robyn Shannon, Deputy Clerk

Penny Glasgow, Chief Deputy Clerk

By Personal Representative(s) STEVEN EDWARD SEGER

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advised Officer Williams might have a firearm on his person. Officer ask Williams to exit the vehicle and Officer observed 2 open beer bottles and a half empty bottle of whiskey. Williams advised Officer he had a weapon in the vehicle. Williams performed poorly on sobriety test.

A search of the vehicle Officer located a firearm and a clear baggie of a green leafy substance what appeared to be marijuana.

Dispatch advised Williams license were suspended. Michael Williams was placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon County Jail.

Houston County EMS Director Indicted After Being Paid Improperly Director Double-Dipped on Time and Manipulated Hours Worked

The Tennessee Comptroller's Office has completed an investigation resulting in the indictment of Stephen Graybill, the director of Houston County Emergency Medical Services. The investigation began after county officials reported information to the Comptroller's Office.

The investigation focused on compensation that Graybill received from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019. During this time, Graybill not only served as director, but he also worked as an AEMT on ambulance shifts (re-


sponding to emergency calls) to help with staffing shortages. The former Houston County Mayor verbally authorized Graybill to receive pay for the hours he worked on ambulance shifts in addition to his monthly director salary.

Investigators determined that Graybill received \$22,230.36 in improper payments.

Some of this money (\$7,579.46) was paid to Graybill because he claimed to have worked as the director and an AEMT as the same time—a practice of double-dipping time. Investigators reviewed time sheets showing Graybill claimed to have worked 725.5 hours as both the director and an AEMT.

The remaining improper payments (\$14,650.90) were received by Graybill after he manipulated the hours he worked between the director and AEMT positions. Graybill would manipulate his director hours by working weekends or shorter work weeks. At the same time, he worked excess hours as an AEMT. Graybill was paid a salary for his director position, so this practice allowed him to earn unnecessary and additional hourly compensation as an AEMT. Graybill also could have chosen to work ambulance shifts as part of his director duties.

Comptroller investigators also identified \$20,308.23 in questionable payments received by Graybill. Although Graybill is a licensed AEMT, he paid himself at a higher 'paramedic' pay rate. He also received questionable compensation related to unsupported hours and noncompliance with the EMS holiday pay policy.



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