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Wednesday, September 13, 2023

## 8-year-old Boy recovering from accidental, self-inflicted gunshot wound

NOTE - This information is in follow-up to questions about an 8-year-old juvenile male being shot on Friday (September 8th) in the Mossy Grove Community of Morgan County.

At approximately 7:17 pm on Friday, Morgan County Sheriff Wayne Potter was informed that an 8-year-old boy had been shot and wounded at a residence on Ray Cross Road in Morgan County. Morgan County Sheriff's

deputies, EMS and Sheriff Potter all responded to the scene. The boy was taken by LifeStar to UT Medical Center and the parents followed in a vehicle being driven by relatives.

The mother, who was at home at the

time along with the gunshot victim and the victim's sibling, stated that she and one child were in the living room when she heard a 'pop'. She went into the kitchen and discovered her son had been shot with what turned

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## Letter to the Editor

### ASALUTE TO FIRST RESPONDERS

Submitted by Garry McNabb  
CEO, Cash Express, LLC



Timothy Ashburn

see Salute pg.4

## Failing To Maintain Lane and Speeding Stop Ends with DUI



Brandon Fontenot

(see DUI pg. 3)

## Former Montgomery County Middle School Coach Indicted

### Basketball coach stole money collected during fundraisers

An investigation by the Tennessee Comptroller's Office has resulted in the indictment of David Lemont Bryant, a former boys' basketball coach and assistant teacher at Montgomery Central Middle School (MCMS) in Clarksville.

The investigation was initiated after

school officials reported allegations of potential malfeasance to the Comptroller's Office.

Investigators determined that Bryant misappropriated fundraising collections totaling at least \$988.28 between September and October 2022. These funds were collected for a basketball gear fundraiser and a t-shirt fundraiser held to benefit the boys' basketball team.

Bryant was placed on Administrative Leave from MCMS effective November 3, 2022 after MCMS staff began reviewing fundraising collections. Bryant's employment was terminated effective November 10, 2022.

In August 2023, the Montgomery County Grand Jury indicted David Lemont Bryant

see Coach pg 5

### Verse of the Day

Blessed be your glorious name, and may it be exalted above all blessing and praise.

—Nehemiah 9:5

### Wazzup

The Fair will con-

tinue all weekend til Sunday. Some Good Concerts are happening this week!!!

### Weather

Today: partly cloudy. High of 80F.

Tonight: Overcast. Low of 57F.

Thursday: Partly cloudy. High of 79F.

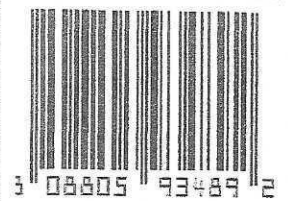
Thursday night: Overcast. Low of 56F.

### Horoscope

Virgo 8/23-9/22

Be a bit selfish today, Virgo. You have every right to look out for number one.

Sensitivity to other people's emotions and issues is noble, but it may leave you emotionally drained. Think rationally about your emotions and have the courage to say no to people once in a while. You're a giver and a saint.



### Recovering

out to be a 9 mm handgun. According to the statement of the mother and the statement of the father, who was at work at the time, it is believed that the father placed or keeps the loaded handgun in a holster on top of the refrigerator in the kitchen. The mother stated that the victim evidently used a chair, as he sometime does, to climb up on the countertops in the kitchen. This time he apparently reached on top of the refrigerator to get the gun and somehow shot himself one time in the upper chest area.

The mother called 911 at 7:11 pm. Morgan County EMS arrived and rendered immediate medical aid and

the victim was flown to UT Medical Center. According to Sheriff Potter, the boy was later transferred to Children's Hospital and released on Saturday. The gunshot went entirely through the child's body without hitting vital organs but did fracture his shoulder. Otherwise, the child is doing well.

Sheriff Potter also reported that DCS has been to the house several times regarding this boy and that DCS was immediately notified by the Morgan County Sheriff after he arrived on scene at the direction of District Attorney General Russell Johnson.

This is the second shooting of a child with a loaded handgun being kept in the home in General Johnson's four county district in the last week.

Fortunately, this one did not result in death. Last Sunday a four-year-old girl was

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Brandon Fontenot, 23, Double Tree Road Knoxville, was charged with DUI, and Violation of Implied Consent.

Deputy Parks LCSO, observed a silver Kia Optima bearing the tag of BPB5010 traveling on Interstate 75 SB at 90 mph and failing to maintain lane. While catching up with the vehicle deputy Parks observed multiple times that the driver failed to maintain lane. Deputy Parks initiated a traffic stop on the vehicle at the 81 mile marker and approached the vehicle. Deputy made contact with the driver, Mr. Brandon Fontenot, and advised him of the reason for stop and asked for his ID, registration, and insurance. While speaking with Mr. Fontenot deputy observed slurred speech, an in-

ability to maintain focus, and Mr. Fontenot searched for the registration for a significant amount of time. Deputy Parks asked Mr. Fontenot if he would step out of the vehicle and observed him having a difficulty maintaining balance. When asked if he had drank any alcohol he advised he had.

Deputy asked if he would be willing to perform Standardized Field Sobriety Tests, and he refused. Mr. Fontenot was placed under arrest and read implied consent, to which he refused. During a vehicle inventory prior to tow, an empty alcohol beverage was located in the vehicle. The vehicle was towed by Malones and Mr. Fontenot was transported to the Loudon County Justice Center without incident. All of the above occurred in Loudon County, Tennessee.

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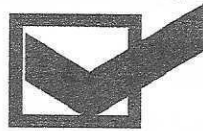
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**Salute**

Dear Editor,

On some anniversaries we celebrate. On others we reflect.

The 21th Anniversary of the attack on America and New York's World Trade Center is one of the times for reflection. There is truly nothing to celebrate in the extraordinary tragedy of 9/11.

As much as I would like to forget some of them, the images from that day will never be out of my mind, nor will the victims and their families.

But there is one memory I want to hold on to, one that I want to cherish as the deepest and most lasting of September 11, 2001. It is the memory of the heroism and selflessness demonstrated by law enforcement officers, fire fighters and emergency medical technicians who went about their business that day without concern for their own safety and without consideration for the magnitude of what they were confronting.

I suppose the term 'first responders' was around before 9/11 but I can't remember ever hearing or using it before then. It caught

on with me because it succinctly and accurately captures not only what these public servants do, but it says something about who they are.

They are people willing to respond without question or hesitation when our community needs them. Men and women willing to make someone else's emergency or crisis their own and to put their lives on the line doing it.

If that doesn't deserve our respect, nothing does.

Most of us have always had an appreciation for first responders whether we called them that or not.

At one time or another, what little boy or little girl didn't want to grow up to be a police officer or a fire fighter? As time passes and most of us go on to do other things with our lives, we tend not only to out grow our hero worship, but also to start taking things for granted. Then some tragedy happens and our attention is drawn to them again.

I am not sure where the tradition of delivering a Desert to first responders on the anniversary of 9/11 started in our company, but I'm glad it did. It started out of

someone's caring and appreciative heart and spread from employee to employee and location to location until stores all over Kentucky and Tennessee were involved.

No one ever imagined that taking a meal to first responders as a way of showing our appreciation would turn out to mean so much to the people in our company. As more and more people and locations became involved, a simple gesture became an annual Salute to First Responders.

The way we show our appreciation differs from community to community and location to

location, but everyone involved knows they have the support and encouragement of our company.

We value the opportunity to show their appreciation to First Responders. One of our goals is to encourage others in the community to be involved as well.

Using the 9/11 anniversary as an opportunity to refresh and rekindle our feelings for first responders is a good thing. It's a simple but meaningful way to say, "Thank you First Responders. We salute you."

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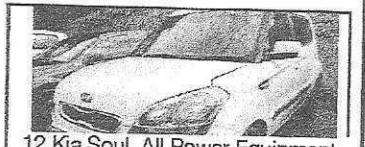


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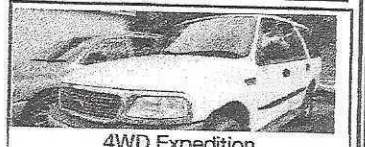
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ant for one count of theft of property under \$1,000.

“School officials should ensure staff maintain collection logs and issue receipts when accepting payments,” said Comptroller Mumpower. “It’s also important to follow policy and state law requiring deposit within three days of receipt, and to ensure all fundraisers are properly approved before they begin.”

To view the investigative report, go to [tncot.cc/doireports](http://tncot.cc/doireports).

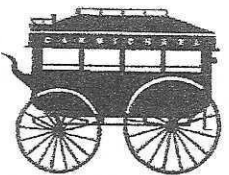
**Police beat**

Larry Dunlap, 39, Wilkinson Pike Maryville, was charged with DUI.

Deputy Davis LCSO, responded to Hickory Valley Road. In reference to an unresponsive male laying in the parking lot of the Top-Notch Boat Repair. Upon arrival, EMS was loading an unresponsive male later identified as Larry Dunlap into the ambulance. Deputy Davis could smell the odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from Larry’s person. EMS administered a dose of Narcan by IV to Larry. Larry regained consciousness but was incoherent and seizing. Larry was transported to Fort Loudon Medical Center for further treatment. Deputy made contact with the complainant who advised he received a phone call of an individual laying in the parking lot of his shop. Complainant stated he arrived on scene and found an unresponsive male laying on

the gravel on the passenger side of his car. Complainant advised he shortly after called 911. Bryan stated he did not know this male and he was not associated with his business and had no reason to be on his property. Deputy made contact with the witness who advised he was driving on Hickory Valley Road when he saw a white male laying in the parking lot of Top-Notch Boat Repair. Witness stated he called the property owner Bryan Brisson to advise him of the situation. Complainant stated he wanted the vehicle towed from his business. As Deputy approached the vehicle, he noticed that the vehicle was still running. Deputy saw a clear liquor bottle in plain view between the driver’s seat and the center console of the vehicle. Deputy Allen later located multiple clear liquor bottles in the glove compartment of the vehicle. Given the statements listed above, Deputy believe a reasonable person would believe Larry drove the vehicle to the parking lot of the Top-Notch Boat Repair. Due to the totality of the circumstances, Deputy believe Larry was over the legal limit of an intoxicant and was unfit to safely operate a motor vehicle. Shortly after clearing the scene, Deputy arrived at Fort Loudon Medical Center to attempt to read Larry Implied Consent Law. Larry was incoherent and belligerent and was unable to consent or deny a blood and or breath sample. A warrant has been generated for Larry for driving under the influence. This incident occurred in Loudon County Tennessee.

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**Horoscopes**

Libra 9/23-10/22

Your mind is going to be sharp today, and you should be certain of all your words, Libra. Take pride in who you are and what you believe.

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

Much of your focus is internal, but today it would behoove you to turn some of that energy outward, Scorpio. Take this opportunity to make a leap of faith in the right direction.

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21

There's no need to walk around with a frown on a day like this, Sagittarius. You have a special spark in your eye and spring in your step that you should make great use of today.

Capricorn 12/22-01/19

You might feel a bit rough around the edges today, Capricorn. There's a bite to the day that could leave you feeling upset and unnerved. It may seem as if no one understands you.

Aquarius 1/20-2/18

Your thoughts are emotionally charged, Aquarius, but you'll find that this can be used to your advantage. You have a great deal of knowledge at your disposal, and you aren't afraid to throw in a little drama just for the fun of it.

Pisces 2/19-3/20

The fast-paced frenzy of the day is just what you need to jump-start your brain and get it moving in the

right direction, Pisces. Take control of the fire within and keep it strong all day.

Aries 3/21-4/19

While you're on a crusade for peace and diplomacy, Aries, you may find that other people seem to be on a crusade for war. Do your best under the prevailing trends.

Taurus 4/20-5/20

There's action to be taken, Taurus, so make sure you get up early to make a fresh start. You may be on stage today in more ways than one.

Gemini 5/21-6/20

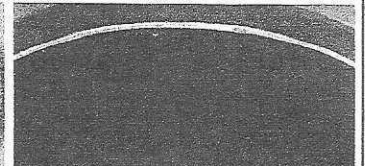
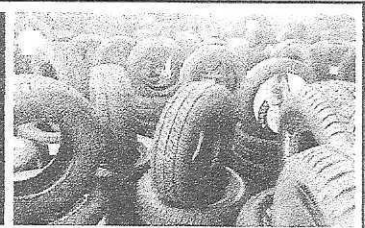
Be yourself and you can do no wrong, Gemini. This is one of those days when you barely need to make any effort to go a long distance.

Cancer 6/21-7/22

There may be a bit of restlessness due to strong forces urging you to take action, Cancer. A dynamic feeling is in the air and calling on you to get up and get moving.

Leo 7/23-8/22

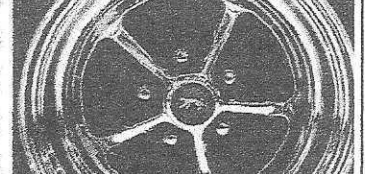
Charge ahead and use your emotions to fuel your fire, Leo. You have plenty of mental acumen today that can help break through any puzzle. New beginnings are underway in many areas of your life. There's no reason to delay any longer than you already have. Take this opportunity to live up to your full potential and make things happen for yourself.



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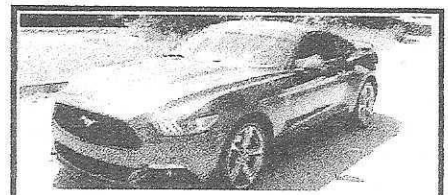
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**Obituaries**

**Stephen Paul Hart**, 81, of Lenoir City, TN, passed on Thursday, September 7, 2023, after a courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease.

Stephen was born July 2, 1942, in McComb, Ohio to Bernadine and Paul Hart.

In 1964, Stephen graduated from the Ohio Northern University. It was there where he met and fell in love with JoAnn, his wife.

Stephen and JoAnn were married on July 3, 1965. They were blessed to share 58 years together, full of love, laughter, and countless memories.

Together they share a daughter, Alicia, who has been their pride and joy.

Stephen was an amateur ham radio operator, a hobby he remained passionate about from the time he obtained his license at the age of 14, throughout the remainder of his life.

He enjoyed a successful career at General Motors/EDS, where he worked as a systems analyst for over 30 years.

He is survived by his wife, JoAnn; their daughter, Alicia; his sister, Sally; three grandchildren, Katlyn, Jaclyn, & Nicolas; and best friend, Dan.

He was preceded in death by his mother Bernadine, father Paul, and beloved German Shepherd, Sam.

Stephen will be remembered for the way he loved his family, his loyalty, and witty remarks. The family wishes to thank Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City for handling arrangements. A celebration of Stephen's life will take place at a later date. Stephen was the best husband, father, "pop-pop," brother, uncle, and friend anyone could ask for. We know he is enjoying all the ice cream he could ever dream of now. We love and miss him beyond measure.

**IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE**

In re Estate of **Elizabeth Grizzle** AKA Elizabeth Grizzle, Deceased

Felicia Coalson Administrator,

v.

**James Grizzle, Calvin Grizzle Jr.**  
Respondents.

No. 6816

Order for Service of Process by Publication

From the sworn Petition for Sale of Real Property and for Order requesting service of process by publication and the entire record, the Court finds that the whereabouts of the Respondents James Grizzle and Calvin Grizzle Jr. are unknown and, after a diligent inquiry, cannot be ascertained or they have not accepted service. It is therefore ORDERED that the Respondents James Grizzle and Calvin Grizzle Jr. shall be served by publication of the following notice in the Daily Edition, a newspaper located in Lenoir City, Loudon County, Tennessee, as provided by law.

Notice

TO: **James Grizzle and Calvin Grizzle Jr.**

It is ordered that said Respondents James Grizzle and Calvin Grizzle Jr. file an answer with the Clerk of the Probate Court at Lenoir City, Tennessee and with Felicia Coalson, an Attorney whose address is Owings, Wilson, & Coleman 900 S. Gay Street, Suite 800, Knoxville, Tennessee within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or the real property of Elizabeth Grizzle, AKA Elizabeth Grizzle, located at 302 Poplar Street, Lenoir City, Tennessee will be sold. This notice will be published in the Daily Edition for four (4) consecutive weeks.

ENTERED August 24th, 2023.

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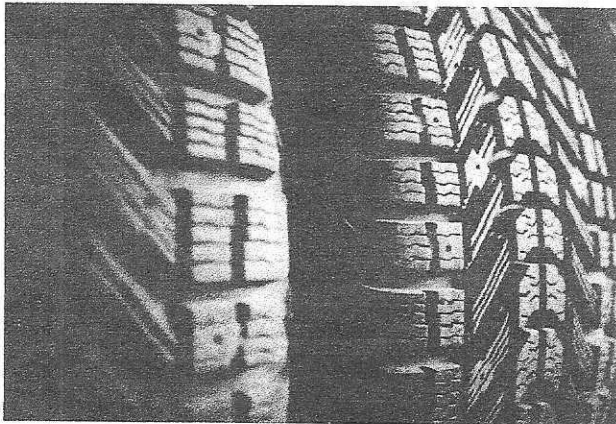


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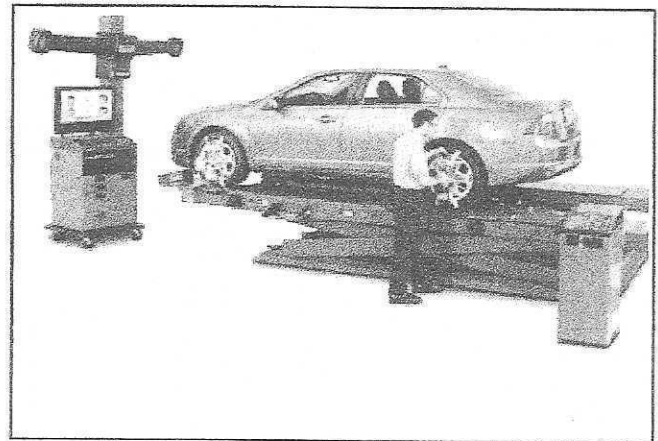
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