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Friday, May 9-12, 2025

Man Charged After Evading Attempt Ends After Slamming Into Building



Nicholas White

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Man Charged with Reckless Endangerment After Gun Threat



William Meunier

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Man Charged At Campground After Deputy Checks Area



William Crawford

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Fight Ends with Charge for Assailant



Brent Veal

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Director Patel's Opening Statement to the House Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies

Director Patel's Remarks as prepared Good afternoon, Chairman Rogers, Ranking Member Meng, and members of the Subcommittee.

I'm honored to be here representing the men and women of the FBI.

President Trump has set new priorities and a new focus for federal law enforcement.

The FBI has heard those orders loud and clear, and we are determined to deliver on our

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Verse of the Day

But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect... —1 Peter 3:15

Wazzup

Shout out to UGO for them lemon cookies! They are amazing!

Weather

Today: clouds. High of 75F.
Tonight: Overcast. Low of 53F.

Saturday: cloudy. High of 73F.

Saturday night: Overcast. Low 56F.

Sunday: Cloudy. High of 77F.

Sunday night: Overcast. Low of 59F.

Monday: Showers. High of 72F.

Monday night: Storms. Low of 60.

Horoscope

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Charged

Nicholas White, 26, Bussell Ferry Road Lenoir City, was charged with, DUI, Evading Arrest, Reckless Driving, Driving on Roadways Laned for Traffic Insurance Responsibility, Due Care, Vandalism, Violation of Implied Consent, Driving on revoked/Suspended License, Poss. of Drug Para, Speeding and False Report of Motor Vehicle Accident.

Deputy Edgmon LCSO, observed a Ford Taurus with TN tag 174BLHT with improper display of registration on Stone Harbor Drive. Upon observing the vehicle it abruptly pulled into a driveway where

it had parked for a short time. The deputy made contact with the vehicle again at the end of Stone Harbor Drive where it meets Lakeview Road. The vehicle made a right-hand turn on Lakeview Road where the deputy initiated a traffic stop using emergency lights and sirens just past Easter Ridge Drive. The vehicle refused to stop. The deputy initiated a pursuit using emergency lights and sirens due to the vehicle being unable to maintain lane. The vehicle accelerated to a high rate of speed and refused to stop at stop signs, passed a car on a double yellow, ran a red light, and turned left on Grand Street causing the vehicle to

lose control striking a building and parked vehicle. Upon making contact with the driver, Nicholas White, stated he ran due to having a suspended driver's license. Deputy Lewis and Deputy Curtis searched the vehicle where a clear, baggie with specs of leafy, green substance was located on the driver side floor board and a clear, plastic tube with residue was located between the middle console and firewall. The deputy asked Mr. White if he would consent to perform Standardized Field Sobriety. Mr. White consented. Mr. White performed poorly. Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement instructed by Deputy Reagan. Deputy Reagan advised Mr. White was

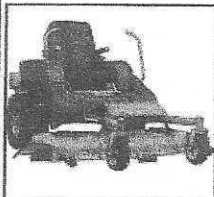
showing signs of impairment during his series of tests. Mr. White did not consent to provide a blood sample. A search warrant was executed for Mr. White's blood where he was transported to Fort Loudon ER and BAC was sent to TBI for analysis. Mr. White was transported to Loudon County Jail. Mr. White was charged with Driving on Revoked DL, Violation of Implied Consent, Reckless driving times three, Driving Under the Influence 2nd offense, Felony Evading, Due Care, Poss of Drug Paraphernalia, Speeding, Reg Violation, Financial Responsibility, and Driving on Roadways laned for traffic. This did occur in Loudon County, Tennessee.

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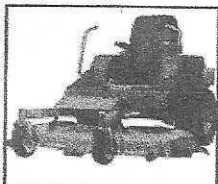
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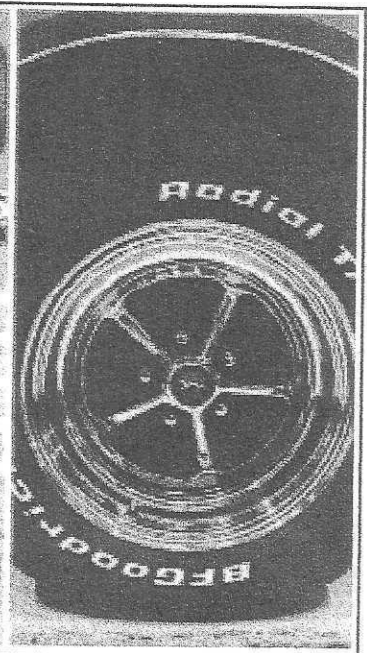
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Gun

William Meunier, 38, Ford Road Lenoir City, was charged with, Possession of Handgun while Under the Influence, and Reckless Endangerment.

Deputy Knight LCSO, responded to Ford Road in reference to a domestic. Upon arrival, the deputy made contact with William Meunier (offender/arrestee), who stated that he had been drinking vodka at his residence at approximately 2100 hours and got into an argument with his wife/victim. After the argument, he went outside and retrieved a Taurus revolver out of his vehicle with the intent to harm himself with the weapon. William walked into the backyard and fired a round into the ground to "feel the recoil." After shooting the gun, William said he threw the gun into the crawl-space of the residence. The deputy then spoke with the victim, who supported William's statements of the argument, and she claimed to have heard a gunshot from the backyard of the residence. The victim showed the deputy a video of William walking in the backyard with the firearm at 2215 hours. Deputies then spoke with the next-door neighbors, who stated that they had heard a gunshot at approximately the same time as the victim. William was placed under arrest due to his admitting to being intoxicated with his firearm.

Deputies took an Escort 12ga shotgun and a Taurus 22 handgun out of William's vehicle for safekeeping due to William's statements of wanting to harm himself. William was transported to the Loudon County Jail without incident. This did occur in Loudon County, TN.

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We're also going after those who harm our children. Just this morning, we announced the success of Operation Restore Justice. Over the course of a month, we executed over 450 search warrants and rounded up nearly 400 child predators nationwide and put them behind bars.

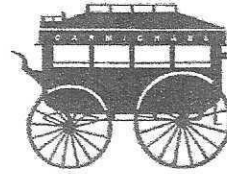
And even as we've doubled down on those criminal threats, we've never stopped—and will never stop—going after national security threats, like foreign spies trying to steal our tech-

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Public Notice

The City of Philadelphia will meet in a regular monthly meeting on Monday, May 12, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Philadelphia Public Library.

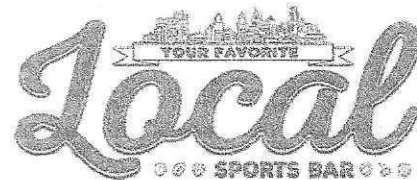
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Campground

William Crawford, 47, Ables Valley Road Rockwood, was charged with, Mfg/Del/Sale or Poss. of Meth, and Contraband in Penal Institution.

Deputy Reagan LCSO, was conducting a patrol of the Melton Hill Dam Campground and Overlook Park. The deputy observed a white male wearing a white t-shirt and carrying a green bag sitting alone at a table under a pavilion. The deputy later identified the male as William Crawford (Arrestee). The male was making erratic movements. Another male had approached Crawford and began speaking with him, and at that time, the deputy approached the two and began a consensual encounter. While speaking with the males, Crawford advised the deputy that he was with a friend from Seymour, but his friend had left him there,

and he had been waiting for his mother to pick him up. He stated that his mother was coming from Rockwood. The deputy explained to him that he have had interactions with individuals at this Overlook who were using illegal narcotics, as well as frequent reports of public nudity on the walking trails around the area. When the deputy mentioned the use of narcotics, he began showing nervous behavior that, from my training and experience, is indicative that he may be hiding or concealing something. Behaviors such as excessively sweating, reaching for pockets, and attempting to redirect the conversation to other topics. At that time, the deputy ended the encounter, assuming he and the other male would be leaving the area soon. The deputy left the Overlook and continued to patrol the remainder of the campground. Approximately 30 minutes later, the deputy

returned to the Overlook, and Crawford was still sitting at a table. The deputy approached him again and began another consensual encounter. He stated that he had been waiting for approximately an hour or more. The deputy offered to give him a ride, but he refused. We began talking about the weather and other small subjects. He began walking toward the deputy, leaving his belongings at the table. It appeared to the deputy that he was attempting to create distance from his bag. The deputy began ending the encounter, and the deputy asked if he could see his identification. He handed him his I.D., the deputy gave his Tennessee I.D. number to Dispatch, and the deputy handed it back to him. At that time, the deputy positively identified him as William Crawford. He grabbed his belongings, and both he and the deputy began walking toward the parking lot. Dis-

patch advised the deputy that Williams Crawford had an active warrant out of Hamilton County for Failure to Appear from previous drug charges. At that time, the deputy detained Crawford, and he asked him if he had any weapons or anything on his person or in his bag that would poke or stab me. He stated that he had syringes in his bag that were used for the injection of illegal narcotics. He also advised me that he had methamphetamine in his wallet. The deputy began searching his person, and he located a black wallet in his back right pocket. Inside the wallet, the deputy located a small bag with a white, crystal-like substance inside it. While searching his person, he also advised that he had a sexual pleasure device on him, and he asked if he could take it off. He mentioned the device many times and asked if he could reach

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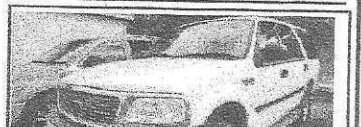
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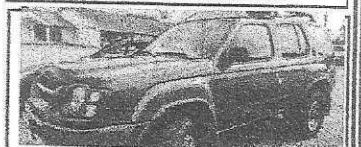
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into his pants to remove it. While I searched his bag, the deputy located one syringe with a brown residue still inside it. Dispatch advised me that Hamilton County confirmed the warrant for his arrest and confirmed that they will extradite him from our county. At that time, the deputy placed him into custody, and he was placed into the back seat of his patrol vehicle. He was also asked if he had any other narcotics

on his person, and he stated that he did not. Crawford was making movements that seemed suspicious while sitting in the car, as well as excessively sweating. The deputy asked him when the last time he used methamphetamine was, and he stated that he had used earlier that morning. The deputy transported him to the Loudon County Jail. Deputy Lee and Deputy Pratt got him out of the vehicle and asked him if he had anything illegal on his person, and he stated that he

did not. A pat-down search was conducted in the Sally port of the jail, and nothing was located. A second search was conducted inside the jail. When he was instructed to sit on the bench inside the jail, a small bag containing a white crystal-like substance fell out of his pant leg and onto the floor where his feet had been. Deputy Pratt advised the deputy of the findings, and he took custody of the suspected drugs to place them into evidence. The deputy informed Narcotics Investigator C. Gray, and he responded to his office to have the narcotics tested. The clear bag that was located in Crawford's wallet weighed 1.77g and tested positive for methamphetamine. The second bag that was discovered in the jail weighed 1.0g and also tested positive for methamphetamine. Both were tested using a TruNarc device.

DV

Brent Veal, 41, Van Sicklan Street New York, was charged with Domestic Assault.

Deputy Knight LCSO, responded to Foute Town Road in reference to a fight. Upon arrival, Deputies detained Brent Veal (offender/arrestee), victim/complainant), and victim 2). The deputy spoke with 2 witness who stated that they were at the residence doing yard work when Brent showed up intoxicated and started to verbally and physically assault his brother victim 2 by throwing him onto the ground and hitting him multiple times. Victim 1 attempted to break up the fight and Brent continued to fight victim 2. The deputy spoke with Brent who stated that he arrived at the residence with victim 2. Brent was concerned about the welfare of their mother and admitted to verbally and physically assaulting victim 2. Brent said victim 1 was telling him to stop fighting and leave the property. Brent was placed under arrest for Domestic Assault. The deputy transported Brent to the Loudon County Jail without incident.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Request for Proposals

Loudon County Government is soliciting proposals for Medical Insurance, Vision Insurance, Dental Insurance and Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Benefits. Proposals are due May 13, 2025, at 10:00 AM. Interested bidders should contact Matt Kleinschmidt at 865-458-4663. Loudon County Government will not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, national origin, creed, age, marital status, or disability.

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Horoscopes

recent training or studies, Taurus. You've made a huge leap in ability, especially where technological skills are concerned. As a result, you can expect to receive either a promotion or raise.

Gemini 5/21-6/20

You may receive some important information today. This message could have a dramatic ripple effect on your life. You may change jobs or even move to a different part of the country, all as a result of the information you receive.

Cancer 6/21-7/22

If you have no significant other, Cancer, all indications are that this will soon change. A friend may set you up on a blind date that turns out to be a real winner. Perhaps you suddenly look at a long-time friend with new eyes.

Leo 7/23-8/22

You have a persuasive nature, Leo. Take care that you don't come on too strong

today. You may try to rally support for a favored cause of yours. By all means, spread the word, but let others come to you if they're interested.

Virgo 8/23-9/22

What a day this could be, Virgo. You may get an unexpected raise that seems to manifest out of the blue. Who knew it was possible? You may have a close friend to thank. He or she may have been responsible for making sure you were in the right place at the right time.

Libra 9/23-10/22

In spite of any feelings to the contrary, Libra, you're bound to be successful. You may be involved in a group project that requires a lot of time and effort. All indications are that it will pay off shortly. Continue to work those long hours, even if it means staying up all night.

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

You feel energetic and optimistic, Scorpio. You can do anything you set your mind

to! This positive outlook is a refreshing change from the usual pessimism. It's certainly easier to go through life happy. As someone once said, people pretty much choose whether or not they're going to be happy. Kudos to you for making the right choice.

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21

You may not want to leave the house today! You may not feel very social and prefer to spend time alone. You could go through old photographs, read old letters, and look through the attic. Pondering memories with a new perspective may clear up some things.

Capricorn 12/22-01/19

Don't be surprised if you bump into an old friend or colleague today, Capricorn. This chance encounter could have a dramatic ripple effect on you as you reflect on your life and analyze how far you've come. You may realize you aren't entirely pleased with your direction.

Aquarius 1/20-2/18

Today is your lucky day, Aquarius. You may get a windfall of some sort, maybe a check in the mail or a raise or promotion at work. This is just what you've been hoping for to elevate your lifestyle. Don't go nuts. Invest the money wisely and it will keep you rolling in dough.

Pisces 2/19-3/20

Airline travel is indicated in your immediate future, Pisces. It's likely you've been feeling serious wanderlust lately, as well as frustration with the same old routine. Be open to any interesting invitations that come your way today.

Aries 3/21-4/19

Your ship comes in, Aries. Don't be surprised if you find a big, fat check waiting for you. Who knows what you've done to deserve such kindness? Don't question your good fortune - just accept it with charm and grace. Finally, you can implement some of those home improvements.

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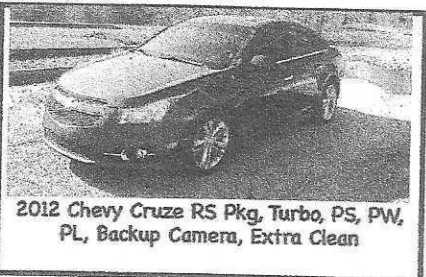
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It's hard to overstate our operational tempo over the past few months—and we'll keep it up because ours is a no-fail mission.

But every operation we run and plot we disrupt comes with a cost—in particular, manhours. It's the agents putting bad guys in handcuffs on the streets... The forensic examiners analyzing every sliver of evidence collected at crime scenes. The language analysts translating critical information into English. The IT specialists keeping our networks up and running. And so many others who work every day to protect the American people.

Our costs also include running hundreds of FBI task forces, staffed with about 8,000 federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial partners. Take our Joint Terrorism Task Forces, which have been setting the standard for partnerships for 45 years. Each of our 55 field offices runs at least one JTTF, and they showcase the power of law enforcement cooperation at all levels. JTTFs have helped us stop plots like the ones targeting energy facilities in Baltimore in 2022 and 2023—and uncover the facts behind horrific mass casualty incidents, like the New Year's Day truck attack in New Orleans—among countless others.

Or consider our innovative Counter-Cartel Coordination Center, or C4, a new initiative that combines our criminal and counterterrorism resources to eliminate the cartels designated as foreign terrorist organizations. These important efforts take resources.

There are also costs associated with becoming the best agency we can be for the American people. Under my leadership, we've put our internal processes under the microscope and changed how we operate to better serve our citizens.

In one of my first actions as Director, I gave our special agents and intelligence analysts assigned to the National Capital Region the chance to take up posts in the field. Many people jumped on the opportunity. We are moving more than 1,000 positions out of Washington, D.C., and into cities across America, where they'll work with our state, local, tribal, and territorial partners to make our neighborhoods safer.

We are also realigning our organizational structure to streamline operations. Both efforts focus our resources where they're needed the most, ensuring that the Bureau is a good steward of taxpayer dollars. We're making real progress cutting contracts, closing expensive leases, and turning off expensive and redundant IT systems.

I've also prioritized building a culture of rigorous compliance and accountability at every level and in all programs. That means modernizing outdated information technology to minimize compliance problems, developing and maintaining robust internal data analytics to uncover noncompliance, and hiring dedicated, expert personnel to address incidents quickly.

Building that infrastructure is how we become an agency the American people can trust and take pride in. An agency that makes the most of our resources and corrects course where necessary.

The members of this committee are important partners in our fight against every threat out there—and in our efforts to build trust and credibility. And you know better than anyone that our no-fail mission requires continued investment.

Without the funds to get ahead of our adversaries, we risk making tradeoffs that will jeopardize the safety of all Americans. I look forward to demonstrating today how we're going to take the funds that you make available to us and put them to work for the American people.

Thank you.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

(As required by Chapter No 175, Public Acts of Tennessee 1939 As Amended by Public Chapter 827 on 05/09/2012)

IN REGARDS TO THE ESTATE OF: DOCKET NO: 7364 LAURICE VANLAETHEM HAMILTON, deceased, a resident of Loudon County, TN

Notice is hereby given that on the 30TH DAY OF APRIL 2025 Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of LAURICE VANLAETHEM HAMILTON, who died on the 28TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2025, 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:

(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 30TH DAY OF APRIL 2025

STEVE HARRELSON, CLERK

BY: Penny Glasgow, Sr. Deputy Clerk

Robyn Shannon, Deputy Clerk
By Personal Representative(s)
THOMAS HAMILTON

Notice to Creditors:

All Claims must be submitted on a claim form, notarized with invoices/statements; in triplicate, with a fee of \$20.00 to Loudon County Probate Court, 12699 Highway 11 West Ste. 3, Lenoir City, TN 37771

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IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Regarding the Estate of: BETTYE LINDA WHEELER, deceased DKT# 7363

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

(As required by Chapter No 199, Public Acts of Tennessee 1999 As Amended by Public Chapter 996 on 05/09/2012)

Notice is hereby given that on the 1ST DAY OF MAY 2025, Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of BETTYE LINDA WHEELER, who died on the 9TH DAY OF APRIL 2025, be 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 abovenamed 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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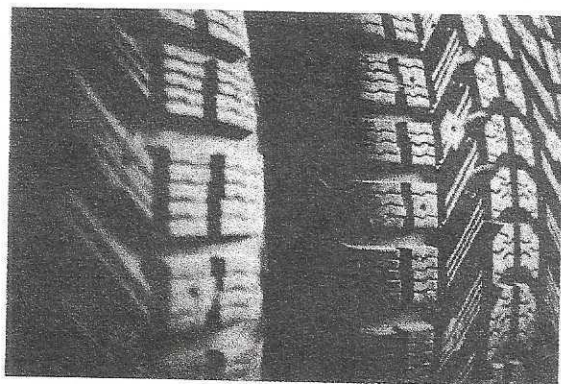
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