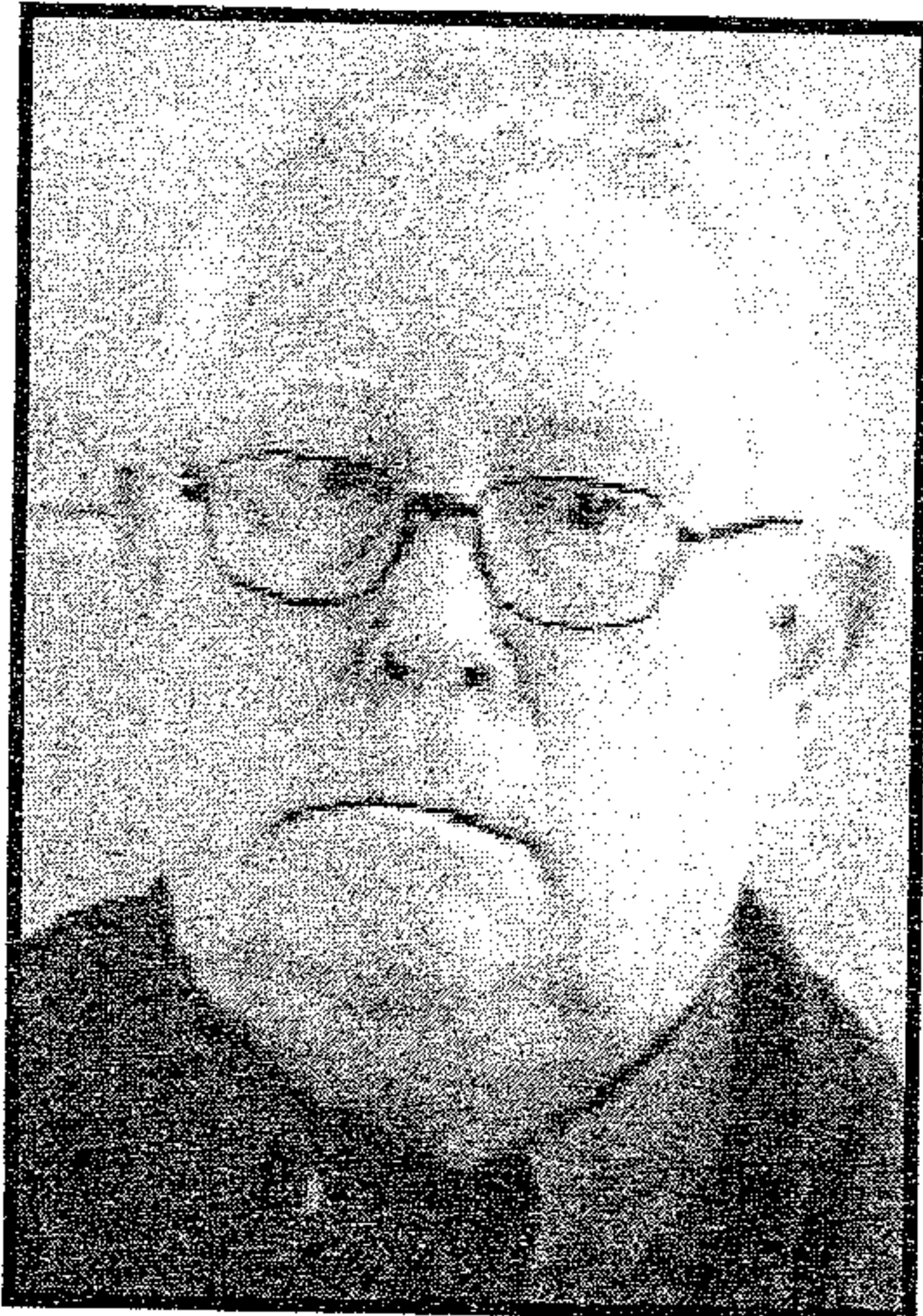


Man charged after Ponzi scheme uncovered by LCSO CID

Investigator Jason Smith charged an Oak Ridge man with theft after a complaint against him revealed he was operating a ponzi scheme involving annuities he sold to at least one local couple.

Jerry L. Litton, 71, of Gorgas Lane, Oak Ridge was charged with theft of property

(see Litton pg. 6) Litton



Bribery charges filed against LC man

A Lenoir City man under investigation for aggravated sexual battery was jailed after he reportedly tried to bribe a witness in the case earlier this month.

According to a warrant filed by Detective Jonathan Sartin LCPD; on or about February 8, 2011 Raymond Harris Moneymaker



Moneymaker

Couple goes on rampage when grandma says No



Jeffery Littleton



Latresha Littleton

A local couple is accused of going a ram-

page and beating three (see Couple pg. 7)

5th DUI+



Samples

(see Samples pg. 3)

Newman charges 1 with child abuse and neglect



Russell

When LPD responded to a domestic call at a Loudon residence Wednesday, officials (see Russell pg. 4)

Aggravated burglary, evading, more

A Lenoir City man was charged with aggravated burglary, evading arrest and more after he reportedly kicked in the door of a Loudon home, then ran from officers who had responded to the area.

Travis Lee Odell, 35, of Riverview Road, Lenoir City was charged with evading arrest and possession of sched-

(see Odell pg. 3) Odell



Verse of the Day
For to him that is joined to all the living there is hope: for a living dog is better than a

dead lion.
Ecclesiastes 9:4
Obituaries

- Dennis W. Cox
- Sarah Louise (Louise) Hamilton
- Geraldine Estes
- William M. Shubert

Kenneth Ray Dawes
Wazzup

Hope you're enjoying your new TV, Tony Arden - you sure do deserve it!

A big shout out to Teresa Smith. Just found

Robin and have info to share!!!

Weather

Today: Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 50s.

Tonight: Lows in the upper 20s.

Tuesday: Mainly sunny. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the upper 30s.

Horoscopes

Aquarius 1/20-2/18

Your deeply personal way of seeing things (see More pg. 2)

Odell

ule VI drugs (marijuana).

According to reports, Deputy DH Smith, LCSO responded to a report of a suspicious male walking on Steekee Road just before midnight. On arrival a motorist flagged down the deputy and the driver stated she had called for law enforcement and had followed him as he walked up Steekee Road. The witness stated to the deputy the

suspect was unsteady on his feet and was now in the yard of a residence of someone she knew and he was not a friend or related to them.

The deputy proceeded up Steekee Road and saw a male in the yard of a residence and another man, identified as the resident, on the front porch. The deputy drove into the driveway to investigate and the male in the yard ran when he saw the deputy.

The deputy informed dispatch he was on foot and in pursuit. The deputy pursued the male subject and yelled for him to stop. Odell con-

tinued to flee until the deputy caught him.

The resident reported Odell had kicked in the front door of the residence and tried the back door prior to the deputies' arrival. On arrival at the jail, corrections officers located marijuana hidden in a plastic baggie in Odell's groin area when he changed clothing.

Deputy DH Smith, LCSO made the arrest.

Investigator Jeff Russell, LCSO CID charged Odell with aggravated burglary for kicking in the door of a residence along Steekee Road where he was chased and caught by Deputy Smith.

Samples

Authorities arrested a Kingston man, charging him with his fifth DUI and more, after stopping his vehicle for driving in the middle of the road and swerving from lane to lane along Interstate 75 and reportedly finding him drunk. Samuel Rue Samples, 56, Woodlond Drive, Kingston was charged with DUI 5th offense, driving on revoked license 4th offense and violation of implied consent.

According to records, Saturday, at approximately 3:00 AM, Sgt. Jerramie Bowen, LCSO observed a gray Oldsmobile 88 driving in the

middle of Interstate 75 northbound, just past the 81 exit and saw it swerve onto the shoulder, before jerking back onto the roadway and crossing the center line again.

Sgt. Bowen made a traffic stop on the vehicle at the 82 mile marker and identified the driver as Samuel Samples. A check of his driver's license came back revoked for DUI.

A strong odor of alcohol was coming from the car and the sgt. asked Mr. Samples to exit the vehicle and perform field sobriety, which he did poorly. Mr. Samples also had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person and refused implied consent. He was placed under arrest. Mr. Samples first DUI was on February 7th, 2001.

Police Beat

Michael Lee Myers, 42, of Hickory Grove Road, was charged with driving without a license.

The report states Myers was supposedly driving a vehicle and was just involved in an assault. Officer Brandon Gentry had dispatch run Myers information through NCIC and it showed Myers to have no valid license.

Officer B. Gentry, LCPD made the arrest.

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Rusell

reported finding an hysterical woman in the middle of the road and a toddler exposed to frigid temperatures by the accused assailant, who had fled the scene.

Dustin Blake Russell, 20, was charged with domestic assault and child abuse and neglect.

According to the report, Sgt. Scott Newman, LPD received a call from the Loudon County 911 Center in reference to a physical domestic located on Mountain Avenue in Loudon. Upon arrival the officer made contact with the victim who was hysterically crying, standing in the

middle of the street, and advising Dustin Blake Russell had assaulted her. The female victim had a freshly injured lip that was bleeding.

When officers went to the residence they found a 1-year-old child standing in a crib that was approximately 2 feet from the door. The door was standing wide open, leaving the child exposed to 21-degree weather.

Officers cleared the residence and determined that Dustin Russell had fled the residence. After speaking with the victim it was determined Dustin had punched her in the face and rammed her head into the wall, busting the sheet rock. The victim was able to get away from Dustin and grabbed their oldest child and ran to the neighbor's house to call the police.

After searching the area for over an hour, Officer Sam Harrison found Dustin Russell running through the neighbors yard and arrested him without incident.

Dustin Russell was charged with domestic assault, and after leaving his small child alone and exposed to the weather, with child abuse and neglect. Sgt. Scott Newman, LPD made the arrest.

Police Beat

Dandrea Keshia-Biann Jones, 20, of Lee Drive, Lenoir City was charged with driving on suspended out of Knox County.

Deputy Petty, LCSO made the arrest.

Laken Suzanne Russell, 28, of Sunnyside Road, Philadelphia was charged with violation of probation.

Corporal Angi Martin, LCSO made the arrest in General Sessions Court.

Don Edward Nix, 47, of Fordham Way, Knoxville was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Robert Gray, LCSO made the arrest at the Knox County Detention Center.

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Litton

\$10,000-\$60,000 out of criminal court.

According to the case summary filed by Investigator Jason Smith, LCSO CID; a witness came to the justice center to report that his parents had purchased annuities from their insurance agent, Jerry Litton who was allegedly working for a firm called Tennessee Home Solutions.

The annuities were purchased in February and April 2005. The male victim's was for \$20,000 and the female's for \$5000. The annuity was to pay 8% annual interest for three years. Mr. Litton paid the interest monthly directly into the victim's bank account. The amount placed in the account was \$133.33 and \$33.33 for separate annuities.

In February 2008 the

victim rolled his balance into a new annuity as well as the other annuity. In September of 2009 the victims did not receive their interest due and in December 2009 they also did not receive any interest payments.

No payments from the annuity have been paid to the victims since November 2009.

Contact with Mr. Litton was attempted but phone

calls were not returned and numbers given were out of service. A check of the address on the checks that had been written to Mr. Litton revealed it was a UPS Store address PO Box.

The victim's loss included the \$25,000 annuity, the \$5000 annuity and the interest that would have accumulated since payments were stopped.

Clayton Cooper of the Fraud Division with the

Department of Commerce and Insurance discovered that Bankers Life and Casualty, who was listed by Mr. Litton as the company protecting the deposit, did not have an annuity through Mr. Litton for the victims and Tennessee Home Solutions denied that Mr. Litton was an agent or employee of their business.

Deputy Bryon Lawhon, LCSO made the arrest at the Loudon County Jail.

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Couple

persons after one of the pair's grandmother refused to let them use her car.

Jeffrey Shawn Littleton, 36, of Ford Road, Lenoir City was charged with domestic violence. According to the report, Deputy Brian Smith, LCSO responded to Ford Road for a call of domestic assault. Upon arrival Mr. Littleton stated he had been in an altercation with his

grandmother over her not letting him use her vehicle.

Upon speaking with the three victims, all three stated during the altercation Jeffrey threw one to the ground, struck another in the mouth and grabbed the third by the neck and violently threw her to the ground.

Deputy Smith noticed some red marks on the neck of one victim, and a busted lip on the face of another. Deputy Brian Smith LCSO made the arrest.

Latresha Mae Littleton, 30, of Ford Road, Lenoir City was charged with domestic violence, possession of schedule VI drugs (marijuana),

possession of schedule III drugs (hydrocodone) and possession of schedule II drugs (methadone).

According to reports, Latresha was involved in the dispute as well and is reported to have attacked a woman by hitting her face several times because the victim refused to let she and Jeffrey use her vehicle.

At the jail officers found what is believed to be hydrocodone, methadone and Xanax mixed in a bottle and three hand rolled cigarette roaches believed to contain marijuana along with another hand rolled cigarette believed to contain marijuana.

Deputy Brian Smith, LCSO made the arrests.



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Moneymaker

called a potential female witness in a case the detective is working. The case is an aggravated sexual battery investigation that Detective Sartin is working on. Money-maker told the woman he would give her \$5000

and his house to make all this go away.

Raymond Harris Money-maker, 60, of West Broadway, Lenoir City was charged with bribing a witness. Detective Jonathan Sartin, LCPD made the arrest and filed by the charges.


Police Beat

Jason Michael Melton, 30, was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy Olwin Norman LCSO made the arrest at the Loudon County Jail.

Carson Garrett Hall, 19, of Old Midway Road, Lenoir City was charged with vio-

lation of probation. Deputy Petty, LCSO made the arrest.



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