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### Cleaning woman accuesd of taking, selling clients jewelry

Lt. Patrick Upton charged a Loudon woman who cleans houses with felony theft following an investigation into allegations she had been cleaning homes and obtaining jewelry she then sold to a gold buyer.

Danielle Lynn Courtney, 'aka' Housel, 39, An-

(see Courtney pg. 6)



### Check writer dupes Philly man into cashing bad checks

Investigator Jason Smith arrested a Loudon man on charges he duped a Philadelphia man into cashing checks for him that he wrote on a closed account.

Scott William Rogers, 26, Davis Ferry Road, Loudon was charged with worthless check x 2.

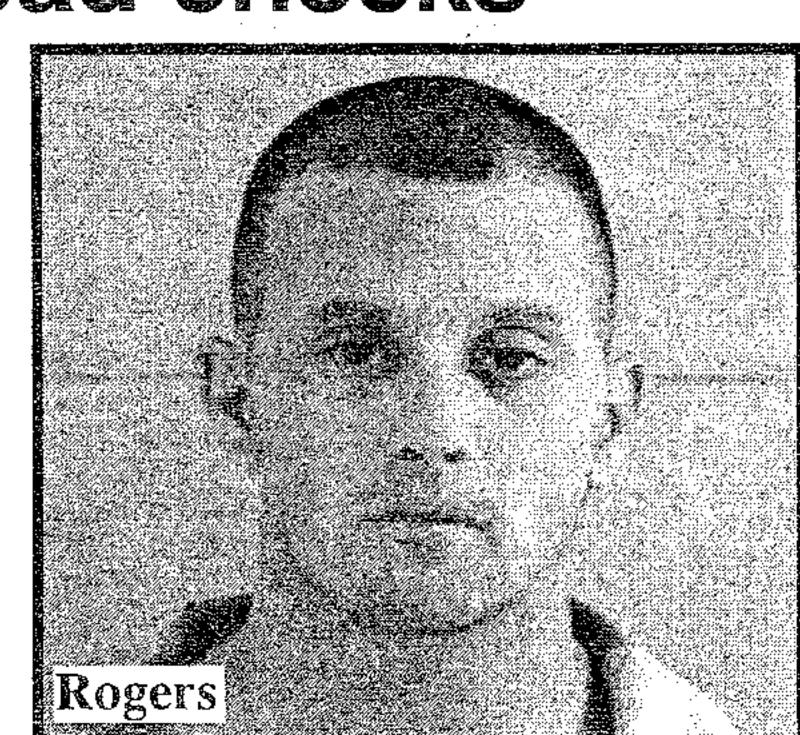
(see Rogers pg. 3)

### Utility trailer stolen

An elderly man reported the larceny of his utility trailer to authorities Thursday after he discovered it missing from his property.

According to reports, Depresponded to Brandy Wine

(see Trailer pg. 3)

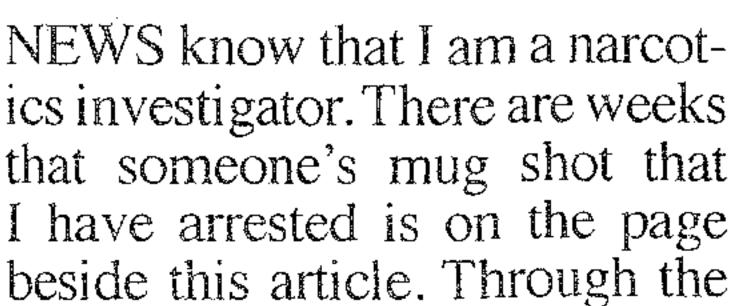


### Grindstaffreceives Award

Grindstaff is one of seven recipients to receive a 2011 Cer- you who read tificate of Merit Award from THE GOOD the Tennessee Historical Com- | NEWS know that I am a narcotmission. The awards program, ics investigator. There are weeks begun by the Commission in that someone's mug shot that 1975, recognizes individuals I have arrested is on the page or groups throughout the state | beside this article. Through the

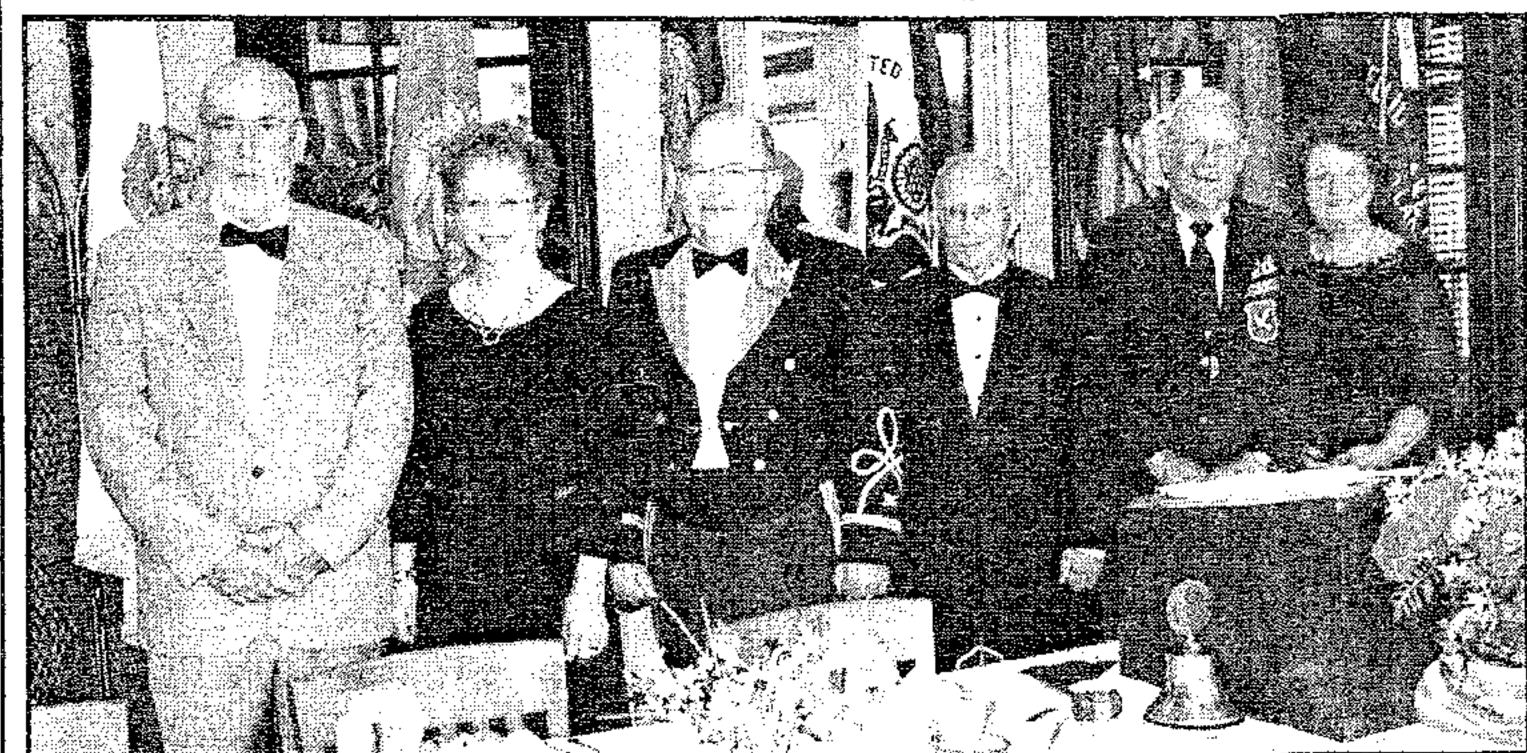
by Jeff Vittatoe

Many



(see Grindstaff pg. 5) | (see The Good News pg. 4)

### American Legion Post 256, Tellico Lake Host Sixth Annual Dining Out



The head table for the American Legion Dining-Out were (L to R) Richard Gruber Post Vice Commander, Vickie Allen, Col John Allen USA (Ret), President of the Mess, Lieutenant General (Ret) George Fisher, Speaker, Major Roger McKnight USA (Ret) and Nancy McKnight. (see Dinner pg. 6)

### TNDepartment of Safety & Homeland Security | 2011 Spring Turkey Releases Memorial Weekend Statistics

nary figures from the Tennes- hour Memorial Day holiday Homeland Security show 10 the 13 fatalities that occurred uty Bobby Hamilton, LCSO | people were killed in traffic during the 2010 Memorial crashes on Tennessee road-

NASHVILLE --- Prelimi- ways during this year's 78see Department of Safety and period. This is a drop from Day holiday weekend and 16

(see Statistics pg. 7)

### Harvest Ranks as State's Third Highest

NASHVILLE --- Tennessee turkey hunters again posted another successful spring season as the harvest for 2011 nears 34,000 as reports continued to

(see Harvest pg. 8)

### Verse of the Day

"And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not

leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of." Genesis 28:15

Obituaries Addisu Richie Bollinger

Wazzup

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dos to P Paw Spay Neuter Clinic in Greenback for all the good work you do!!!

Weather

Today: Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 90s.

Tonight: Lows in the

upper 60s.

Tuesday: Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.

Horoscopes Gemini 5/21–6/21

Watch out for your moods today -- you

accidentally might snark someone into a rage if you're not careful! It can be especially tough if you feel frustrated, so you may want to take a walk.

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### Rogers

According fidavits filed by Investigator Jason R. Smith, LCSO-CID; on Wednesday, May 11th, 2011, Mr. Scott W. Rogers wrote a check

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in the amount of \$330 to a Pond Creek Road, Philadelphia man. The check was written on a Regions Bank Account and was cashed by the man at his own bank, Community United Bank, in Loudon on the

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same day.

On Thursday, May 12th, 2011, Mr. Rogers wrote another check to the man in the amount of \$100, which he cashed the check at his bank again.

Monday, May 2011, 23rd, United Community Bank contacted the man and advised there was a problem with the check and

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another one that had been written to him by Mr. Rogers. The victim said he was advised by the bank the checks had been written on a closed account.

Investigator Smith made the arrest Tuesday.

### Trailer

Drive, Thursday to take a report of a stolen utility trailer. The complainant, an 89 year old man told the deputy he last saw his trailer Wednesday around 8:30 PM, and the next day, at 1:15 PM, he noticed it was missing.

The man said the trailer was chained and locked to a tree and the lock had been cut off. It was described as a

black 5x12 utility trailer with an estimated value of \$1200. The crime is under investigation.

Format Changed for June TWRC Meeting

NASHVILLE The format has been changed for the June meeting of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission to be held at the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency Ray Bell Region II Building.

Rather than the usual two day meeting, the commission will hold the session on Friday, June 17. Committee meetings will begin at 9 a.m. with the formal commission meeting to follow.

The public is invited to attend.



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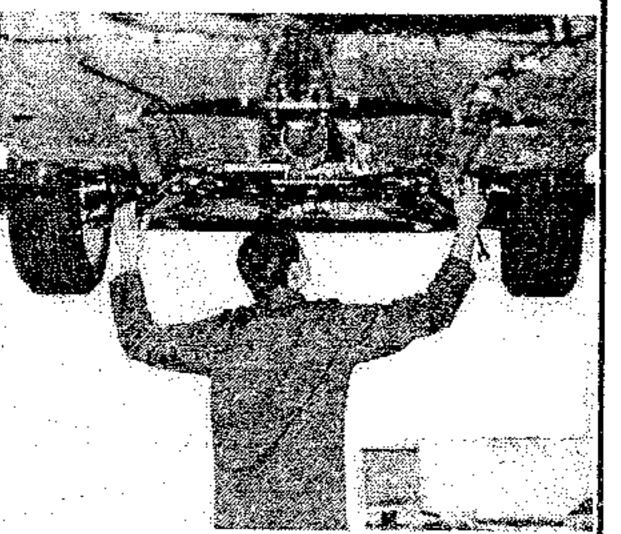
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### Obituaries

Addisu Richie Bollinger – age 73 of the Tellico Village Community, Loudon passed away on June 1, 2011 at home after release from the hospital for lung cancer. She was the loving wife and mother. Survivors: husband of 52 years, Lawrence (Larry) Bollinger, daughter Wendy Hoffman, husband Rick and granddaughter Nicolette, and son Warren Bollinger. Addisu is also survived by her sister Jenilu Richie. Addisu grew up in Memphis where she received her education degree from Memphis State University. After teaching for several years she retired to raise a family. A private family service will be scheduled at the Community Church at Tellico Village Columbarium. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Click Funeral Home & Cremations, - Tellico Village Chapel is serving the family of Addisu Richie Bollinger.

### The Good News

course of my work I experience firsthand the situations that a lot of folks find themselves in due to illegal drugs but more so these days due to prescription medication. During this past month I have personally looked at the remains of two individuals that didn't wake up from a night of snorting pills. I am aware of two other deaths in our area within the past month that were also most likely related to drugs. There are families hurting, children without parents, parents without children and souls that went on to an eternal destination. Were they ready to meet the Lord? I don't know. Did you or I ever share Jesus with them?

If you have known me for anytime at all then you know there was

a long period of my life that I made a lot of bad decisions too. I drank too much alcohol, talked with a filthy mouth, damaged relationships, destroyed families and many other things that I am so ashamed of. When you read this article maybe that is the person you think about and wonder what right I have to speak about the Lord. It wasn't that long ago that someone even emailed the pastor of my church to proclaim how sinful I was and how the church should not associate with me. I bet that doesn't happen to everybody!

I didn't get mad at that person. All they knew about me was the wrong that I had been doing. I deserved the criticism and agree with the person with the exception of one thing, sometimes we

forget how big our Lord really is. God is almighty and He has the power to forgive, to heal, and to use us for His glory if we will allow Him to. I fell on my face in January of this year and cried out to an Almighty God and asked for His forgiveness. I asked Him to wash my sins away and make me someone that He could use to lead others to salvation. I had to ask others to forgive me, some who probably never will. Each day I try to live in a way that others can see a change in my life, my attitude, my speech and my actions. Each day I fail God in some way but not as I use to, not by drinking any alcohol or hurting others.

Romans 3:23 (NKJV) "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God"

1 John 1:9 (NKJV)

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

If you are like me, one of those who have made bad decisions, maybe even a bunch of them, Jesus still loves you. He is the answer to your problems. Jesus can do what Seboxen or a 12 step program can never do. Jesus can change you from the inside out and give you a happiness that nothing compares to. I shared my story so that you understand I am one of those who needed changing and every single day I thank the Lord for all He has done in my life.

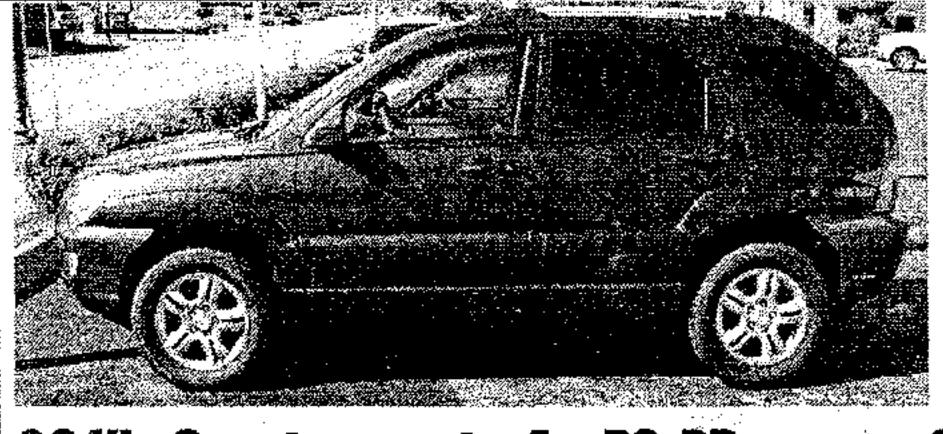
If you're a Christian, are you acting like one? Are you sharing Christ with others? Do people (see The Good News cont. pg. 5)

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### The Good News cont.

see Jesus in your heart, your life, your speech and your attitude? Ask yourself, "If every Christian was just like me, what kind of Christians would all of us be?"

If you don't know Jesus as your personal Savior I beg you to consider what will absolutely be the biggest decision of your life. We will all die one day and each of us will spend eternity based upon this one decision.

Romans 14:11-13 (NKJV)

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For it is written: "As I live, says the Lord, Every Knee shall bow to Me, And every tongue shall confess to God." So then each of us will give account of himself to God. Therefore let us not judge one another anymore, but rather resolve this, not to put a stumbling block or a cause to fall in our brother's way.

*Romans 6:23 (NKJV)* 

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Thanks for reading and thank you for the gracious donations of so many shoes for the kids in Guatemala. Pray for our mission trip that God will use us in a mighty way. Praise the name of Jesus for He is worthy!

### Grindstaff

that have worked to conserve

or highlight Tennessee's cultural heritage during the past year.

The awards are given in three categories and recognize historic preservation projects, and books or public programming. The third category, the Commissioners' Special Commendation, recognizes significant achievements in historic preservation or history that do not fit into the other categories.

"The people and projects recognized have made exceptional contributions to historic preservation and to the study of Tennessee's fascinating history," said Patrick McIntyre, executive director of the Tennessee Historical Commission.

Grindstaff received the the McCollum award for Farmhouse.

In 2009, Timothy Grindstaff purchased and began a faithful and sensitive restoration of this frame farmhouse, originally built by Joseph Mc-Collum in the 1850s. Located in Greenback, this mid-19th century farm had once been placed under arrest.

the site of tours for area high school students, which was how Grindstaff first came to know the site.

The home was listed on the National Register in 1978, but had fallen into substantial disrepair. Grindstaff hired a structural engineer and retained many of the farmhouse's original elements during his restoration project.

### Police Beat

Burchfield, Thomas D. 40, Vale Street, Loudon was charged with driving on revoked.

According to records, while on routine patrol Thursday, Officer Blake Norman, LPD observed a white Nissan pickup truck traveling south on Vale Street. The officer noticed Mr. Burchfield was driving and had prior knowledge his license were revoked in the state of Tennessee.

Officer Norman conducted a traffic stop on Mr. Burchfield and ran his information through Loudon County 911 Center, where his license came back revoked. He was

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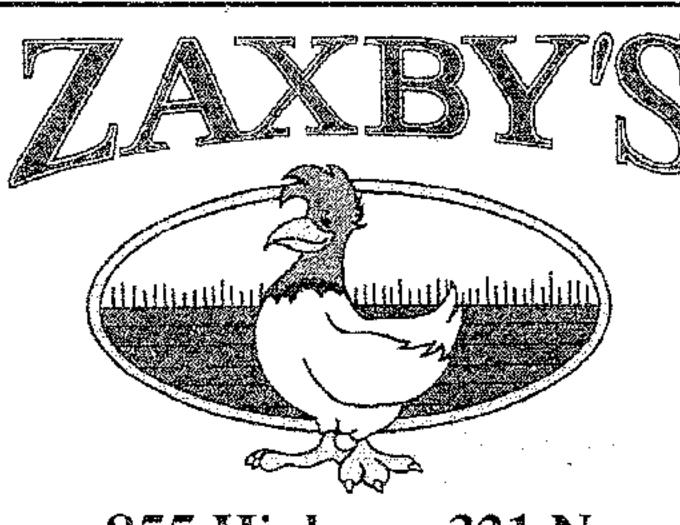
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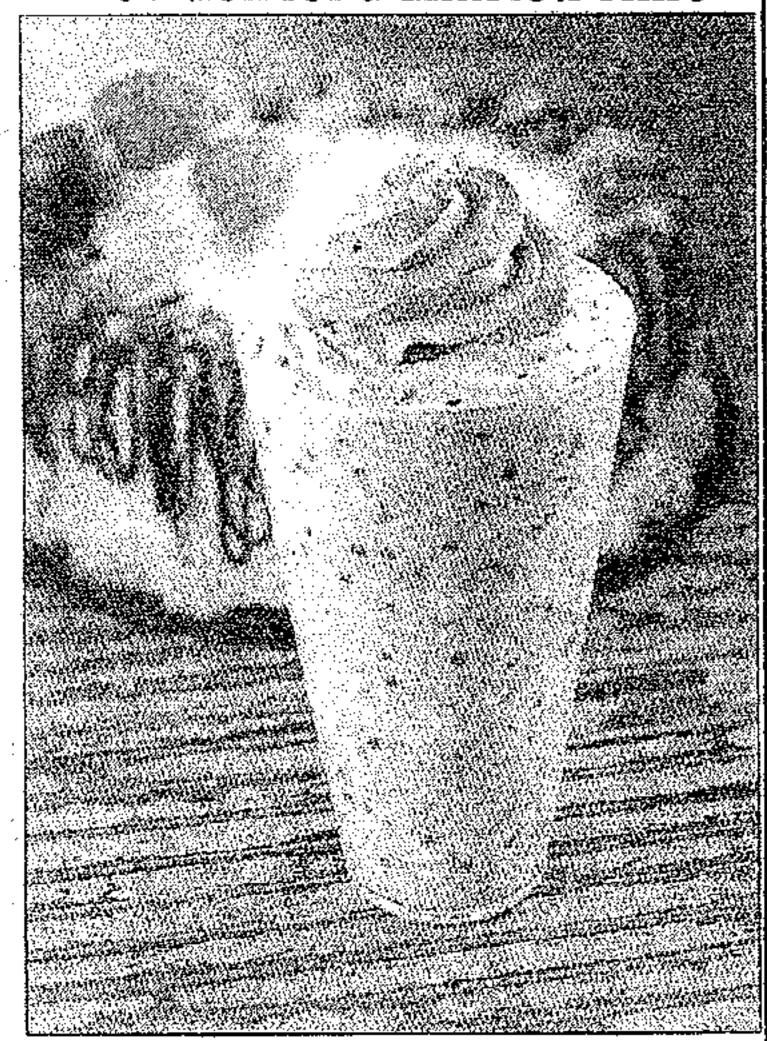
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### Courtney

gel Row, Loudon was charged with felony theft over \$500.

According to an affidavit filed by Lt. Patrick Upton, LCSO-CID; on or about April 9th, 2011 an investigation began on Danielle Courtney involving the theft of jewelry she had been obtaining the jewelry by cleaning houses.

Upon further investigation, it was learned Mrs. Courtney sold a ring to Southeast Gold Buyers, 820 Highway 321, in Lenoir City. The ring had 3M and 25 on the bottom of it. It was a retirement ring from 3M Manufacturing out of Minnesota.

Further investigation revealed a victim who

lives on Doostoo Lane in Tellico Village, and checked the location of his 3M retirement ring and found it had been stolen. Mrs. Courtney had also been cleaning his residence prior to the theft. The ring was retrieved from Southeast Gold Buyers on April 12th, 2011 and the victim identified the ring as the one stolen from his residence. The ring was valued at \$700. The investigation is ongoing.

Courtney turned herself into the Loudon County Jail and was placed under arrest by Corporal Angi Martin Wednesday.

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### Dinner

An American Legion Post, such as Post 256, is comprised of veterans from all the military branches, thus when they have a formal military dinner, called a dining out, it normally begins with enjoyable antics and verbal jousting from individuals of the different military services.

The members make despairing remarks at each other as they squabble in a tone of friendly rivalry, all in fun.

But, after many witty and amusing remarks the attendees settled down to a pleasant meal and listen to the evening's guest speaker.

This year's speaker was Lieutenant General (Ret) George Fisher, now the Director, Dept. of Defense Programs, Oak Ridge National Laboratory. He relayed to the guests some personal and unique contacts he has had with veterans.

With each example he spoke of the impression left by these veterans. Even those battling

unfavorable physical odds and challenging adversities maintained their positive attitude.

General Fisher stated, "These Veterans are a tribute to our men and women in uniform and an inspiration to all Americans."

For additional information concerning the American Legion contact Post Commander John Allen, 423-884-7297.

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### Statistics

deaths in 2009.

The 2011 Memorial Day weekend ran from 6 p.m., Friday, May 27 through 11:59 p.m., Monday, May 30. During that time, there were

10 fatal crashes that resulted in 10 fatalities. Six crashes were single vehicle wrecks, while four of them were multiple car crashes. Five of the people killed were vehicle occupants,

four were motorcyclists and one was a pedestrian. Three of the five (60 percent) vehicle occupants killed were not wearing safety restraints.

"Our enforcement

efforts don't stop once the holidays are over," stated Tennessee Highway Patrol Colonel Tracy Trott. "We are in the business of saving lives, and wearing your seat belt is the single most effective way to protect you and reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes. We stress the importance of that year-round."

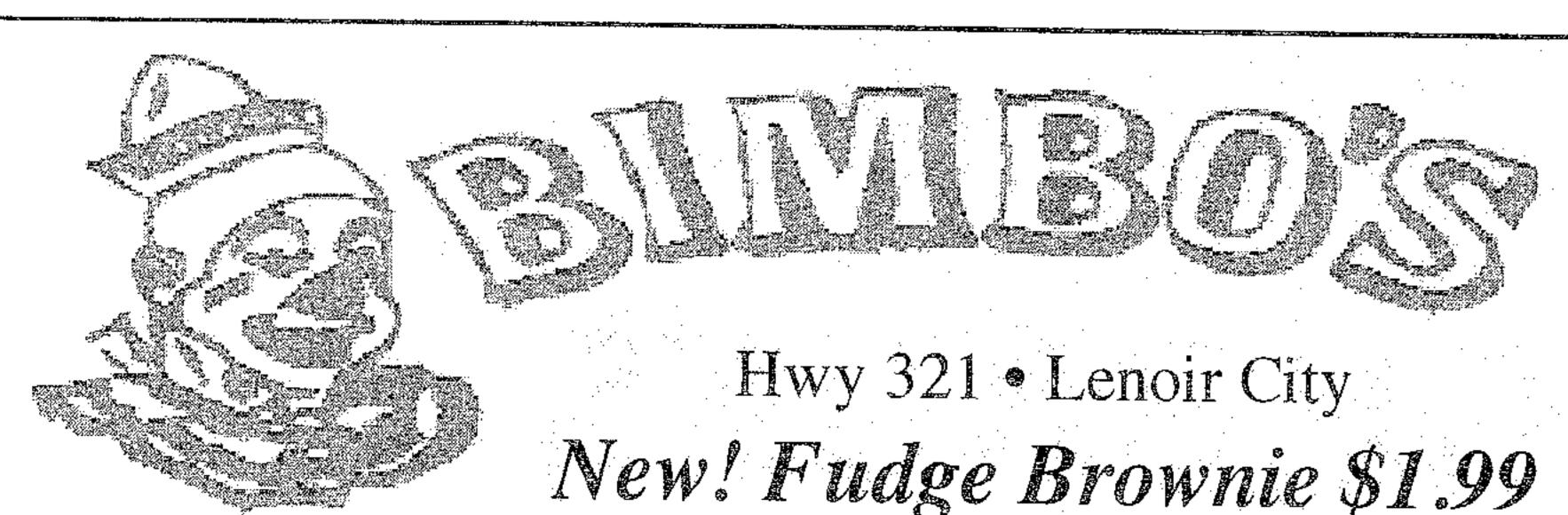
The THP will continue its participation in the high visibility national Click It or Ticket campaign through June 5. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, in 2009 alone, seat belts saved 12,713 lives nationwide.When worn correctly, seat belts have been proven to reduce the risk of fatal injury to front-seat passenger car occupants by 45 percent, and by 60 percent in pickup trucks, SUVs and minivans.

Tennessee State
Troopers also teamed
up with the Governor's
Highway Safety Office (GHSO) and law
enforcement agencies
in Georgia, Kentucky
and Virginia for this
year's "Hands Across
the Border" campaign.

"Hands Across Border" was created to bring about awareness of safety belt and child safety seat use across the southeastern states. Participating state and enforcement local agencies sponsor education and community outreach events and provide motorists with literature about the dangers of drunk driving, as well as the importance of safety belt and proper child safety seat use.

In 1973, 26 people were killed in traffic crashes in Tennessee during the 78-hour Memorial Day holiday period, the highest number of deaths on record. The lowest number of deaths occurred when five people were killed in traffic crashes during the 2002 Memorial Day 78-hour period.

A preliminary 2011 Memorial Day holiday statistical report, which includes the locations of the fatal crashes, accompanies this release. Please note the official traffic fatality count may rise due to delays in reporting and classification of traffic fatalities.



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### Jarvest

see Wildlife Resources

Agency.

The spring turkey statewide season came to a close on May 15. The harvest number stands at 33,968. The harvest is below the 2010 record harvest of more than 37,000 birds, but this year's harvest ranks as the state's third highest all-time.

"It was another strong year for our turkey harvest," said Gray Anderson, TWRA Turkey

Program Coordinator. "We can't expect to have record harvests every year, but we are at a stable point.

"We had a little less than 90 percent of the harvest being gobblers versus jakes this spring. This tells us our hunters are getting mature birds and we have a healthy population."

Maury County again was the top county with 949 birds being harvested. Greene County also had a strong year finishing second with a

harvest of 896.

Dickson County, a past leader for the spring season, was third with 852. Rounding out the top 10 counties were Montgomery 821, Sum-

ner 774, Rutherford 710, Henry 709, Hardin 628, Hickman 613, and Hardeman 609.

### Police Beat

kins, 27, Bussell Ferry Road, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation.

Sgt. Jerramie Bowen, LCSO made the arrest Thursday

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