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Wednesday August 3, 2011

Verse of the Day

"Blessed is he that considereth the poor: trouble. The LORD will preserve him, and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies." Psalm 41:1

<u>Obituaries</u> Charles Edward (Chuck) Jenkins

James Chesney (Jimmy) Maples III

Wazzup

Good luck on your upcoming heart surgery, Tristen Cook.

Capps is finally getting some teeth!

Weather

Today: Scattered clouds with the possibility of an isolated thunderstorm developing during the afternoon. Near record high temperatures. High 98. Winds WSW at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 30%.

Tonight: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Low 74. Winds W at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 30%.

Thursday: Slight chance of a thunderstorm. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.

Horoscopes

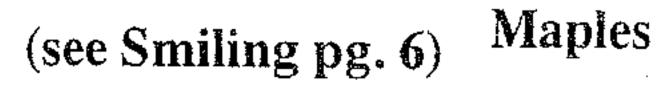
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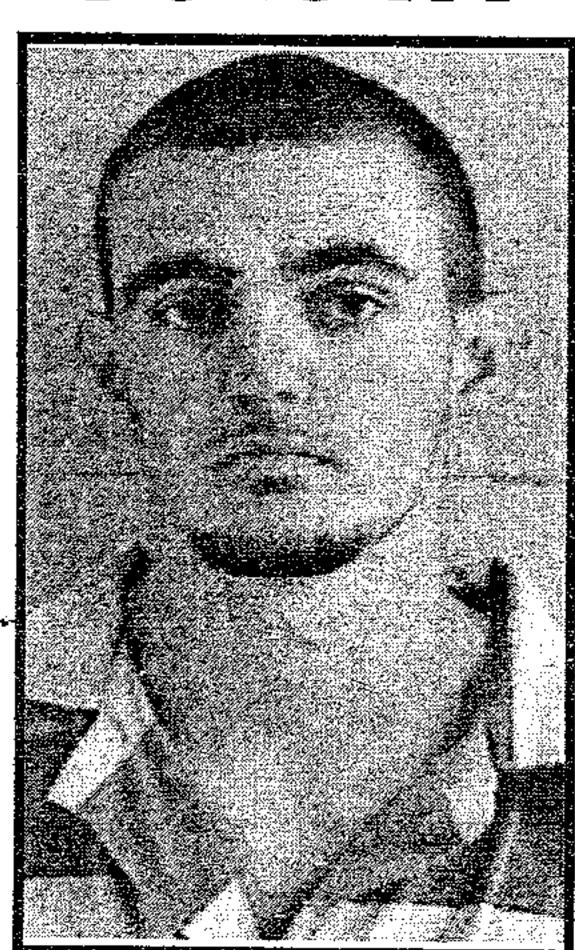
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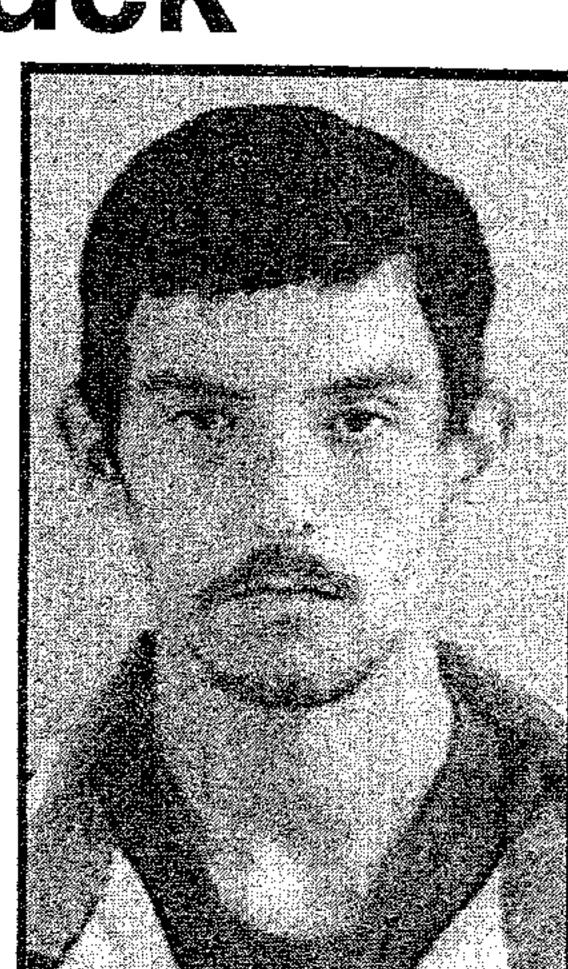
Who's smiling now? 3 charged the LORD will de-liver him in time of after pursuit in stolen truck

Three young local men were taken into custody after they allegedly stole a pickup truck then led law enforcement officials on a chase after Officer Chris Law attempted to make a traffic stop on the vehicle. One of the passengers reportedly was observed giving directions to the driver and turning around in his seat to smile at pursuing officers.





Arwood



Bohanan

It's good to see Noah I'm buying coffee, not Theft at business beer

not beer when he was against him. seen staggering into a Matthew Jason Strick-

A Loudon man re- store where it was disportedly told police he covered Blount Counwas just buying coffee, ty also had warrants

Loudon convenience lin, 34, Dogwood Road,

(see Stricklin pg. 7)

thorities when she dis- Greenback covered someone had sometime ness,

A Greenback busi- Ms. Teresa M. Ayers, nesswoman called au- Old Niles Ferry Road, reported between stolen a picnic table and 6:00 PM Wednesday area rug from her busi- and 10:00 AM Thursday someone took her According to records, wooden picnic table

(see Theft pg. 3)

Catoosa WMA for Safety Concerns

NASHVILLE ---The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency has announced that Catoosa Wildlife Management Area located in Cumberland, Morgan, and Fentress counties will be closed to all pubeffective | access Monday, Aug. 8, 2011. TWRA officials be-

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TWRA to Close THP Announces Top Level Personnel Changes

NASHVILLE -- Department of Safety and Homeland Security Commissioner Bill Gibbons and Tennessee Highway Patrol (THP) Colonel Tracy Trott on Friday announced personnel changes to the Command Staff.

Lt. Colonel Danny Wilson, who has overseen the THP's Support Services Bureau for the

(see Changes pg. 4)



LTC Danny Wilson



LTC Dereck Stewart

Theft

from business, her Mountain Creek Quilt Shop, 6588 Highway 411 South, Greenback.

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The suspect(s) also took an area rug Ayers said she had washed and laid on the table to dry. The table was outside of the business next to the parking area. It was unsecured and in full view of passing motorists.

Ms. Ayers also stated someone took several plants from the front porch of the business a few months ago. The loss was estimated to be \$160.

Deputy Mike Williams, LCSO took the report. The investigation is ongoing.

Police Beat

David Wayne Langley, 43, Dailey Avenue, Loudon was charged with violation of probation.

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Thursday DV Lenoir City Police Department and transported to the Loudon County Jail where Deputy Charles Huskin, LCSO served the warrant.

Jeremy Justin Lee, 30, Bailey Road, Kingston was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy John Maples, LCSO, made the arrest Thursday, at the Roane County Jail.

Emilie Jane Kyker, 27, Knox Street, Philadelphia was charged Thursday with violation of probation.

Deputy Bruce Padgett, LCSO made the arrest.

Syeisha Teresa Kilby, 30, Beals Chapel Road, Lenoir City was charged with violation of probation Thursday.

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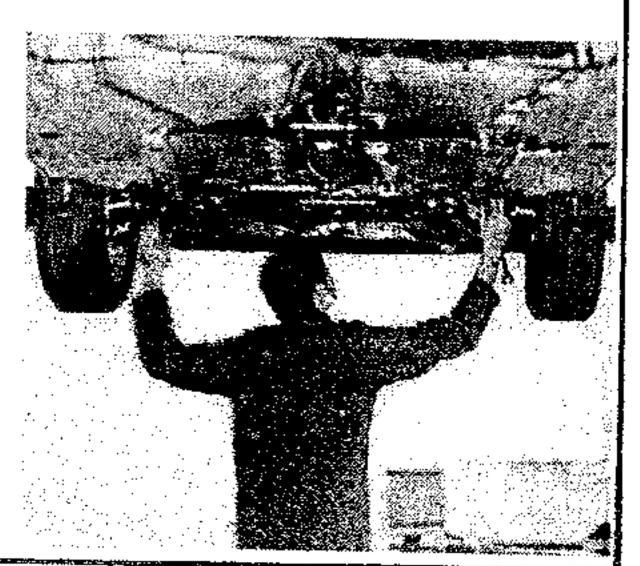
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Obituaries

Edward Charles (Chuck) Jenkins age 51 of Lenoir City passed away on August 1, 2011. Chuck was a member of Crossroads Church of the Nazarene where he taught Sunday School and had been involved in many areas of the church including a member of the Church Board and the Music Director. He was the Loudon County Property Tax Assessor. Prior to returning to Lenoir City, Chuck worked in Washington, DC at the Republican National Convention and the National Republican Congressional Committee as a speech writer for the Vice President and also the First Lady. He also served as a political appointee to the Dept. Of

Health & Human Services under President George Bush, Sr. When Chuck returned to Tennessee he worked for Bechtel Jacobs before being elected Property Tax Assessor for Loudon County. Chuck is preceded in death by his parents, Arnold O. (Buddy) Jenkins and Betty Osborne Jenkins. He is survived by his wife, Kim Flanagan Jenkins, daughters Taylor (Drew) Dowd of Nashville and Tori Jenkins of Lenoir City; sister Peggy Tinnel (Ed) of Lenoir City, TN. Funeral Services will be held on Thursday, August 4, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Lenoir City, TN with Rev. Don Hawkins officiating. The family will receive friends immediately following the service.

Family and friends will gather at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Lakeview Cemetery for graveside services and interment. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Crossroads Church of the Nazarene or to the Boys and Girls Club. Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City, TN is serving the family of Chuck Jenkins.

James Chesney (Jimmy) Maples III - age 36 of Lenoir City passed away Monday, August 1, 2011. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Dewey and Della Baker. Survived by his wife, Angela Maples; daughter, Ashley Maples; sons, Christopher Maples and wife, Chelsea, and James Dewey Maples; mother, Bonnie Maples and husband, David Krack; father, Jim Ma-

ples; grandchild, Sarah Marie Maples; brother, Timothy Maples and wife, Isabelle; several nieces and nephews. The family would like to express a special thanks to Malinda Poe and Katrina O'Neil. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at Click Funeral Home. Memorial services will follow at 7 p.m. with Rev. George Seay officiating. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

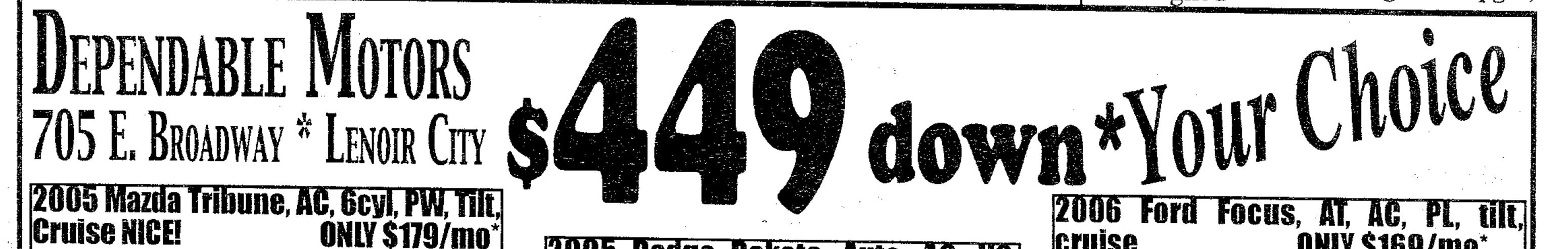
Changes

past five years, will retire from the Tennessee Highway Patrol on September 1. Lt. Col. Wilson is a 34-year veteran of the Highway Patrol. A native of McLemoresville, Wilson joined the THP in 1977 as a Road Trooper assigned

to Dickson County in the Nashville District. He also served as a Road Trooper in Davidson County for several years before being assigned to the Governor's Security Detail in 1984. Wilson was promoted to Sergeant in 1985, and served in that unit until 1994. After a brief time in Planning & Research. Wilson returned to the Governor's Security Detail where he served as the detail's Sergeant and later Lieutenant. Prior to being named Lt. Colonel, Wilson served as Captain of the Nashville District.

"Lt. Col. Wilson has done a great job as a leader in our organization over the last five years. The Highway Patrol has benefited

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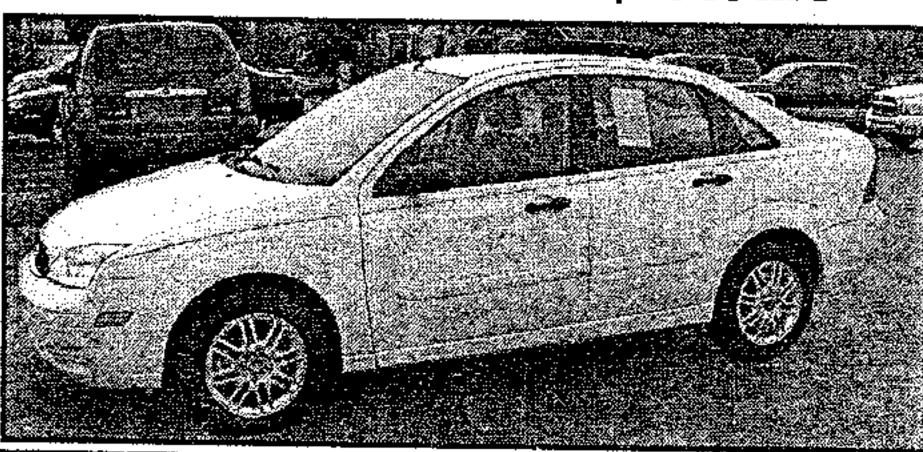


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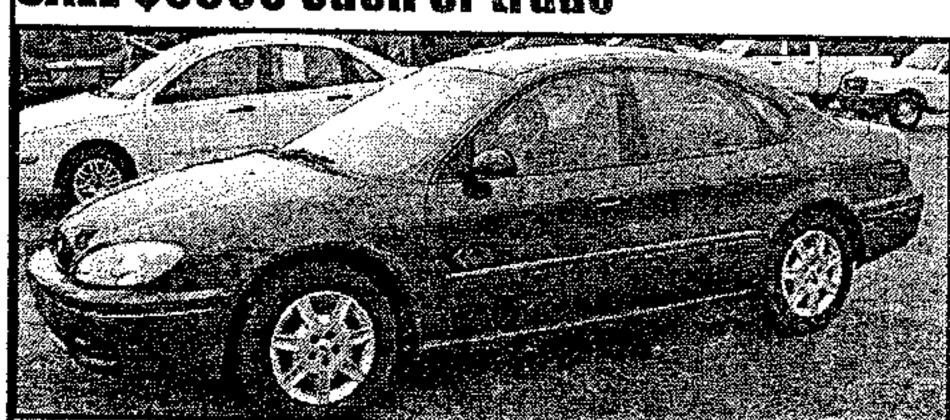


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lieve this closure is necessary to ensure the safety of visitors using Catoosa WMA and agency employees working in the area.

Since late June, vandals have placed nails, spikes, and nail-boards in fields, secondary roads, and trails on the WMA. TWRA officials believe this vandalism may be a reaction by a small group of individuals dissatisfied with recent changes in the management of wild hog populations on Catoosa.

As part of the overall strategy to address the increasing wild hog population on the Cumberland Plateau, an aggressive program to trap and remove wild hogs was initiated on Catoosa WMA in early June, according to Kirk Miles, TWRA Region III Wildlife Program Manager. Shortly thereafter, employees began finding nails and spikes in fields and along secondary roads accessing wild hog trap sites.

"Initially, we felt that we were able to effectively find and clean up the vandalized sites," Miles said. "However, the problem has escalated to the point that we no longer feel the area is safe for public use."

To date 13 tires have been damaged on TWRA trucks used on the WMA. Ten of the tires had to be replaced. Four tractor tires have had flat tires

repaired. One TWRA employee narrowly escaped serious
injury when he stepped on a
large nail.

According to Jim Lane, Catoosa WMA Manager, the vandalism has affected normal operations on Catoosa. "We have found nails and spikes of different sizes, from 2-inch nails to 10-inch spikes," he said. "We have also found homemade nail boards designed to be driven into the ground.

"They are not easy to find. Basically, we are forced to use metal detectors and cover large areas. It is labor intensive and takes a lot of time to find and clear vandalized locations."

Fortunately, damage to non-agency vehicles has been confined to one individual who had two tires flattened after traveling on a secondary road in the area. TWRA employees were able to assist the man who was traveling with his three children.

Although there are currently no hunting seasons open on Catoosa, the WMA is still heavily utilized by various users including horseback riders, hikers, and fishermen.

"We are very concerned with the immediate safety of current users on the WMA," said Miles. "Also, squirrel and deer hunting seasons are just around the corner and that is when the WMA is most heavily utilized."

TWRA will use the closure

period to find and remove as much of the dangerous material as possible. Catoosa WMA is approximately 80,000 acres of field and forest habitat. According to Miles, cleanup efforts will focus on fields, secondary roads, and trails.

"We have a lot of ground to cover," Miles said. "We will re-open Catoosa as soon as we can be reasonably assured it is safe. I am hopeful that we can reach that point sometime before our first deer hunt in October to allow small game and deer hunters the opportunity to hunt and scout the area."

of \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of parties responsible for this vandalism. To provide information relevant to this case please call the TWRA Region III Hunting/Fishing Violation Number at 1-800-241-0767.

Changes cont.

from his professionalism and his service. He will be greatly missed, but we thank Lt. Col. Wilson and wish him the best in his retirement," said Commissioner Gibbons.

On August 1, Major Dereck Stewart will be promoted to the rank of Lt. Colonel over the Support Services Bureau. Major Stewart has served as Executive Officer to the Colonel since September 2010. Prior to his promotion to Major, Stewart served as Captain overseeing the Research, Plan-

ning & Development Division. Stewart also served two years as Captain in the Office of Professional Responsibility and as a Lieutenant and Sergeant in the Training Center from July 1995 to January 2007. Stewart was commissioned as a Trooper with the Highway Patrol in December of 1987, serving in Montgomery County. Stewart serves as the Emergency Service Coordinator for the Department of Safety and Homeland Security. He is a 1997 graduate of the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command, and a 2009 graduate of the FBI National Academy.

"For the past 10 months, Major Stewart has been my right-hand man, assisting me in the day-to-day operations of the Highway Patrol. This experience, along with the many other accomplishments throughout his career, has prepared him for this new leadership role," said Col. Trott. "Major Stewart is an asset to the Highway Patrol and will help us grow and become an even better law enforcement agency in the future," Col. Trott added.

Police Beat

Franklin Delano Nix, 66, Loudon Ridge Road, Lenoir City was charged with resisting arrest.

Mr. Nix was transported from the Blount County Jail to the Loudon County Jail Friday where Corporal Angi Martin, LCSO served the warrant and made the arrest.



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James David Maples, 19, Cedar Circle, Lenoir City was charged with felony evading, felony theft by possession (motor vehicle), and unlawful consumption.

Kevin Lewis Arwood, 22, Tate Coley Road, Lenoir City was charged with resisting arrest and felony theft by possession (motor vehicle).

Robert Mason Bo-18, Babbs Road, Lenoir City was charged with resisting arrest, felony by possession (motor vehicle), and underage consumption.

According to affidavits filed by Officer Emily Lawson, LCPD; on Friday, at approximately 12:17 AM, Of-

ficer Chris Law, LCPD attempted a traffic stop on a tan Dodge Ram pickup truck on Old 95 near Town Creek Road West. When dispatch ran the tag number through NCIC, the license plate was found to have been stolen out of Sweetwater.

The driver of the veidentified as James Maples, refused to stop and a pursuit ensued. Officer Lawson and numerous other officers joined the pursuit at the intersection of Town Creek Parkway at Town Creek Road West with their emergency equipment activated.

The middle passenger, who was identified as Kevin Arwood upon final stop of the

vehicle, was observed through the open back glass of the pickup truck to be pointing out directions, to the driver as to which direction and what roadways to flee on. Mr. Arwood. was also looking back and smiling at pursuing officers.

The pickup turned hicle, who was later onto a long gravel driveway beside 8795 US Highway 321 and proceeded into a wooded area where officers pursued the truck on foot for approximately 200 yards before the truck struck a tree on the driver's side and became stuck.

> The three occupants were detained and taken into custody.

A check of the VIN through NCIC revealed

the vehicle was reported stolen out of Lenoir City.

Officer Law transported James Maples to the Loudon County Jail. Once at the jail it was observed Mr. Maples' eyes were glassy and bloodshot, he was unsteady on his feet and had a slight but distinct odor of alcohol on his breath and person.

Mr. Maples was also cited for driving without a license. Officer Emily Lawson transported Kevin Arwwod and Sgt. Jerramie Bowen, LCSO transported Robert Bohanan.

Police Beat

Johnny Kelley, 22, Johnson Drive, Lenoir City was charged with public intoxication.

According to records, at approximately 2:45

AM Saturday, Officer Shane Tilley, LCPD was dispatched to Johnson Drive in reference to an intoxicated man outside yelling.

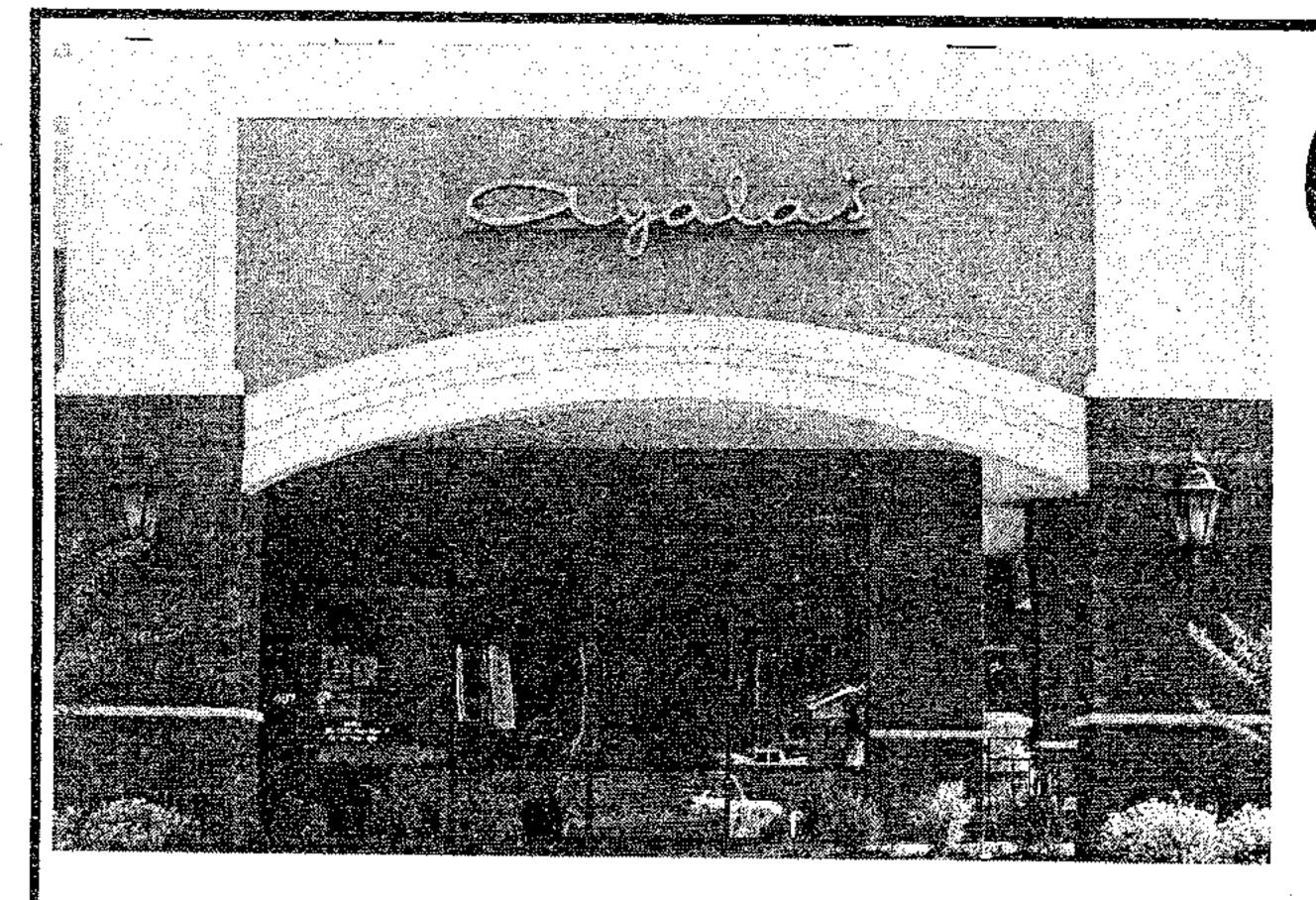
On arrival, the officer came in contact with Johnny Kelley in his underwear.

Mr. Kelley was causing a scene and refused to cooperate. He said they would have to take him to jail.

Kelley had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage on his person, and was unable to stand on his own.

Mr. Kelley admitted to drinking a lot of Jack Daniels. He was deemed a threat to himself and others while under the influence of alcohol and was taken into custody.

Sgt. Joe Foster, LCPD was also on the scene.



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Stricklin

Loudon was charged with public intoxication and a Blount County warrant.

The report states, Saturday around 1:00 AM, while at the Rocky Top

Shell Officer Bennie Houser, LPD witnessed an individual walk into the Shell very unsteady on his feet with a strong odor of an intoxicant about his person.

The officer made contact with the man

and identified him as Matthew Jason Stricklin. Mr. Stricklin told the officer he was buying coffee, not beer so he could sober up and said he walked from the motel.

discovered was

Mr. Stricklin had a warrant out of Blount County. Officer Houser felt it was unsafe for Mr. Stricklin to be left in the public in his condition and placed him under arrest. He was transported to the Loudon County Jail where Blount County placed a hold on him

Police Beat

Luis Perez Sanchez, 36, Commerce Street, Loudon was charged with domestic assault.

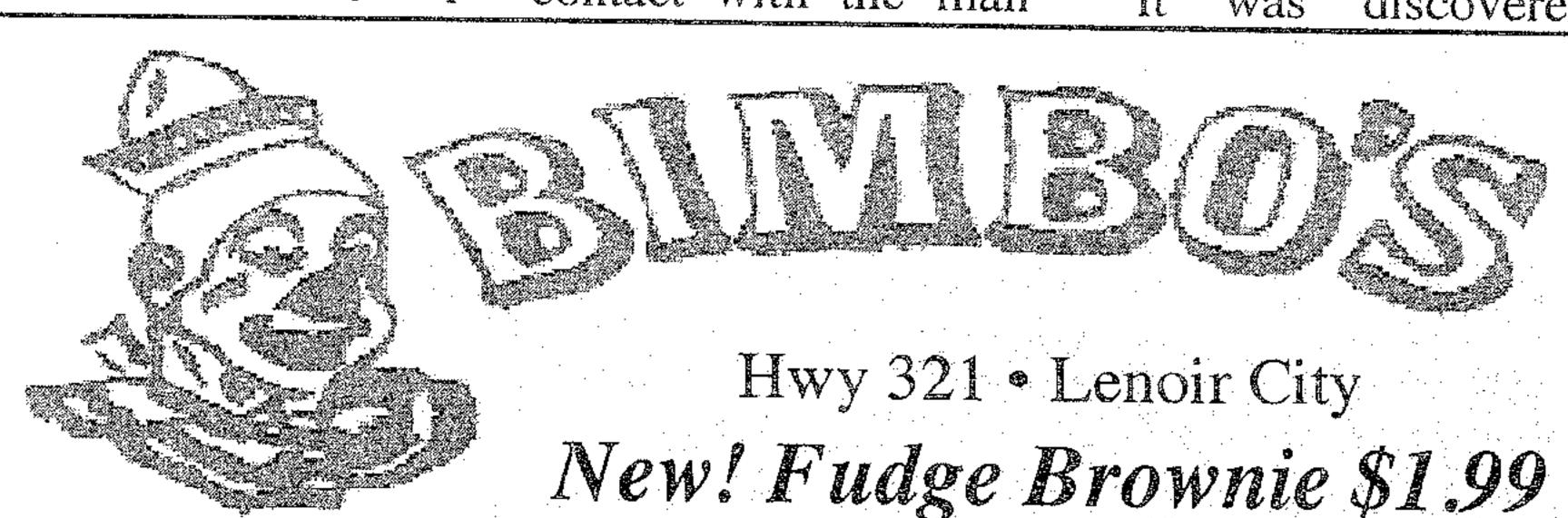
According to the affidavit; on Saturday, July 30th, 2011, at approximately 2:15 PM, Officer Jamie Pistole, LPD responded to a domestic call and made contact with Luis Sanchez's girlfriend. She stated Friday night she got into a fight with Sanchez.

The woman further advised Sanchez hit her several times and the reason she didn't call the police that night was because Luis would break her phone and hit her again if she was caught calling the police.

Officer Pistole noted in his report there was a red mark on the victim's left leg that appeared to be bruising, and she had a bruise on her left arm.

Later, on that Saturday, the officer received another call from dispatch reporting Sanchez was looking for his girlfriend and was causing another problem.

Once contact was made, Sanchez was arrested and transported to the Loudon County



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Police Beat

Shawn Lee Scott, 28, Cemetery Road, Loudon was charged with violation of probation.

Deputy Rondel M. Branam, LCSO made the arrest Friday.

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