

**Verse of the Day**

Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil. She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

Proverbs 31:10-12

**Obituaries**

None

**Wazzup**

A big shout out and best wishes to Sharon Rebecca Hawkins Morgan; may you find complete and utter happiness and may life bring you every single, little thing you deserve...

**Weather**

Today: Partly sunny with a 30% chance of showers. Highs in the mid 70s.  
Tonight: Partly cloudy. Lows around 50.  
Tuesday: Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid to upper 70s. Partly cloudy. Lows around 50.

**Horoscopes**

Libra 9/23-10/22

Your hopes are driving you forward today — and while that may not seem like enough to

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## \$2500 ring stolen; LC man charged

A Lenoir City man was jailed after he allegedly stole at least two rings from a local woman and sold them to someone in Knoxville.

According to a warrant filed by Detective Jason Smith, LCSO CID; the victim reported a ring had been taken without her permission from her residence located on Turman Drive in Lenoir City. The vic-

(see King pg. 5)



King

## LCPD charges GB man in aggravated burglary, theft

Authorities charged a Greenback man with burglary and theft following an investigation into the larceny of Nintendo game players from a Lenoir City residence.

According to a warrant filed by Detective Jack Fine, LCPD; Donnie B. Barker did enter the dwelling of the victim located on Pauls Lane, Lenoir City. While at the residence

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Barker

## Distressed Homeowner Initiative; Don't Let Mortgage Fraud Happen to You

Talk about going from bad to worse—more than 4,000 financially strapped homeowners

recently lost at least \$7 million to a California business that allegedly operated a loan

modification scam. Last month, 11 representatives of that company were federally indicted,

but by that time, many of the victims had already lost their homes.

Today, to help protect

## The Good News

by Jeff Vittatoe

Tomorrow? Maybe... or Maybe Not!



life. We might try to mend any broken relationships or confess any burdensome sins that have haunted us. We might give away

If you knew for certain that your life would be ending exactly thirty days from today, what would you do differently? What changes would you make in your life? How concerned would you be about your job, your addiction, your hobbies or your stuff? How urgently would you strive to prepare for that thirtieth day?

Most of us would probably spend time with the people that love us and care about us. We would most likely sit down with our kids and give them advice on what we consider the important things in

our material things that we want others to have. And maybe, just maybe, we would try to make peace with God and make preparations for eternity.

In all honesty, most of us would try to become the person that God intended us to be before that last day. We would waste no time because time is something we would not have. We would try to "fix" our lives so that our conscience may be clear by day thirty. We would understand so clearly that the things we always thought were important, were really not important

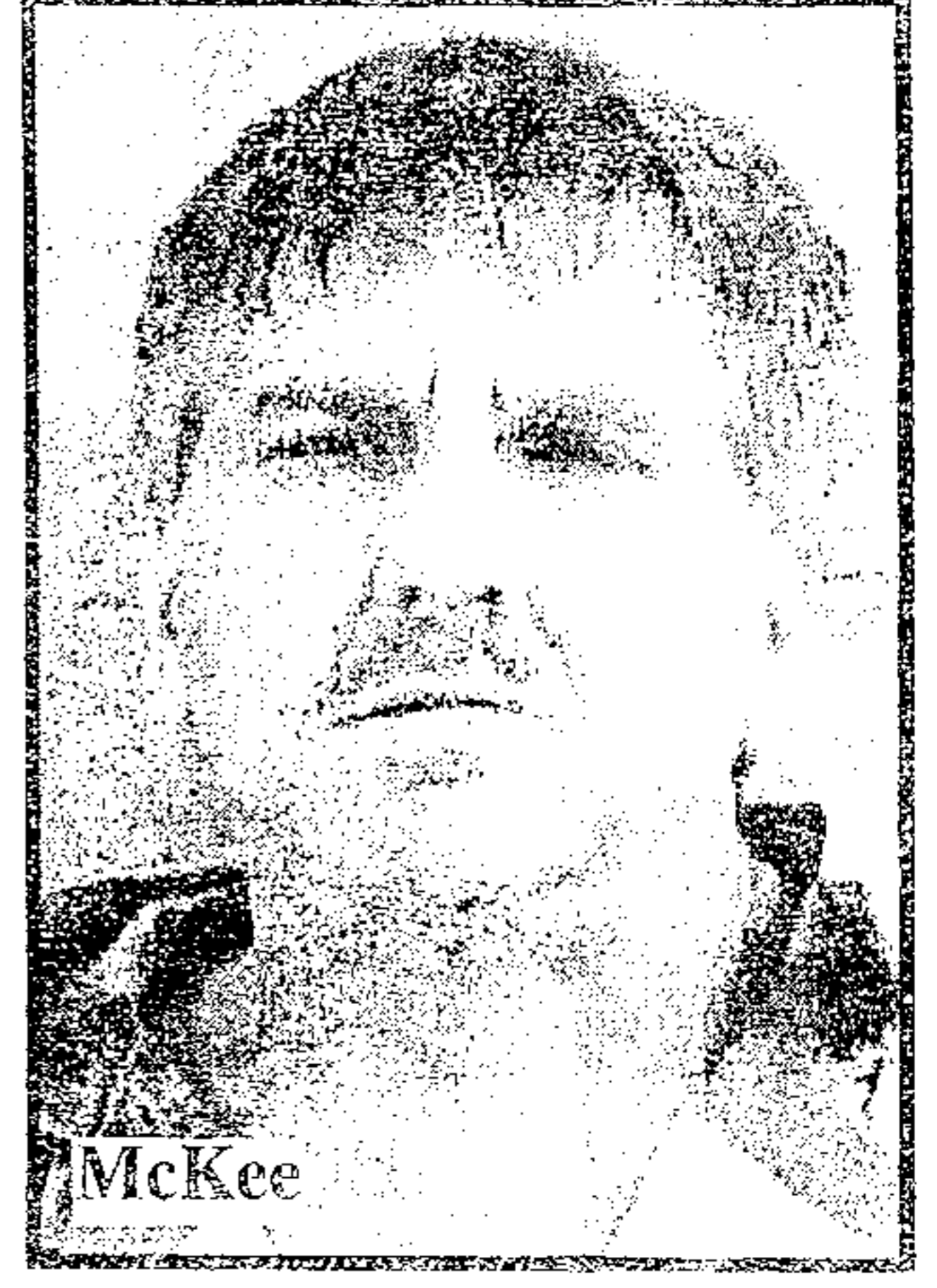
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## 4th DUI for Maryville man

Trooper Eric Miller, THP stopped a vehicle for running two traffic control devices. The driver was interviewed and identified as Stevie R. McKee and according to the report, he had constricted pupils and a low raspy speech.

McKee performed

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McKee

King

tim reported she had last seen the ring prior to Terry "Dustin" King and a juvenile coming to the residence. The

victim stated the ring was valued at \$2500 and she noticed it missing after they left.

A few days later, Dustin King was inter-

viewed about the ring and another ring (later reported as also missing) while he was in the victim's residence. King reportedly stated

he sold the rings to an individual in Knox County.

Terry Dustin King, 34, of Loudon Ridge Road, Lenoir City was charged with theft over \$1000. Investigator Jason Smith, LCSO CID made the arrest and filed the charges.

McKee

poorly on sobriety tasks.

A check showed McKee to have three prior DUI's and a blood draw was mandatory and taken at the hospital.

Stevie R. McKee, 45, of 8th Street, Maryville was charged with DUI 4th and traffic control device. Trooper E. Miller, THP made the arrest.

### Police Beat

Jonathan Lee Human, 35, of Old Eblen Road, Lenoir City was charged with theft of property out of Knox County.

Corporal Angi Martin, LCSO made the arrest

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### Barker

Barker removed from the dwelling a Nintendo DSI, valued at \$170, and a Nintendo DSI XL valued at \$200.

Barker removed these items with the intent to deprive the owner of their property.

Donnie Bo Barker, 22, of Craigs Chapel Road, Greenback was

charged with violation of probation, aggravated burglary and theft over \$500.

Corporal Michael Wilson, LCSO made the arrest.

### Police Beat

Mark Patrick Adam, 30, of Grove Manor, Cordova was charged with domestic assault.

According to the report, Sgt. David Flynn along with Officer Don Lorenz, LCPD responded to Allison Lane on a domestic assault. Upon arrival the victim reported Mark came in and demanded her money or her prescription.

The victim said she refused and Adam became violent, cursing and hitting her.

The victim stated Adam struck her several times and kicked her, the whole time threatening to kill her and her child.

The victim did have a red knot on the right side of her forehead and marks around her neck where Adam tried to choke her.

Adam was found in an apartment in the complex and taken into custody. Officer Don Lorenz, LCPD made the arrest.

Robert Scott McLeod, 51, of Lonesome Dove, Andersonville was charged with a bad check.

According to the report, McLeod wrote a check to the Pilot for \$50 that was returned for insufficient funds. Detective Jack Fine, LCPD made the arrest.

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### The Good News

at all. We might even regret waiting til now to make those changes although it wouldn't matter by then.

The changes that I just described are not just valid in regards to one who discovers they are dying, but also are consistent with the Christians who surrendered their lives to Christ in the first century church. There was a sense of urgency in the lives of early Christians that is absent from our society today.... Unless we thought we were dying! *Acts 2:41-47 KJV (41) Then they that gladly received his word was baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls. (42) And they continued steadfastly in the apostle's doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. (43) And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles. (44) And all that believed were together, and had all things in common; (45) And sold their posses-*

*sions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need. (46) And they, continued daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart. (47) Praising God, and having favor with all people. And The Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.*

I suppose if we all had a thirty day notice to prepare for death we could all live as we wanted until the notification arrived. We could then make preparations or changes as needed and stand by the door waiting to be called away into eternal life. Unfortunately, very few of us receive that kind of notification. Many wake up in the morning right here in East Tennessee with a full day planned, only to discover that today is day thirty!

This past week, a person that Blondie and I hold dear to our hearts went to work as she does most other days. While leaving work she had a severe headache and passed

out in the parking lot where she works. A trip to the ER and a few tests revealed that her symptoms were caused by a brain tumor that required immediate attention. Within forty eight hours she was lying on an operating table undergoing a critical brain surgery that she had no promise of surviving. What is worse than the tumor is that she is possibly lost, without Jesus, and an unsuccessful recovery could result in eternal torment in the worst place imaginable. I know what your thinking, if she is so dear to Blondie and I, then why have we not shared the gospel of Jesus with her before now? The answer..... I have no excuse!

Prayers began to enter the throne room of God from here, from Montana, from Papua New Guinea and various other locations around the world for God to miraculously save our friends life. My prayer was two fold; "God please have mercy upon her and give her another chance to accept Jesus if she hasn't, and please God, give me a chance to witness to her and please convict her

heart to receive You."

Our friend did survive the surgery and was talking today. Her battle is far from being over but God has given her at least one more chance to trust Him. As I type these words I have not yet been to see her and fulfill my promise to God but I plan to do so before this article is printed. If you pray, pray that she and her husband will both come to understand that our only hope for Salvation lies with Jesus Christ. He has the power to heal, the power to save and the power to restore, if only we will believe and trust Him!

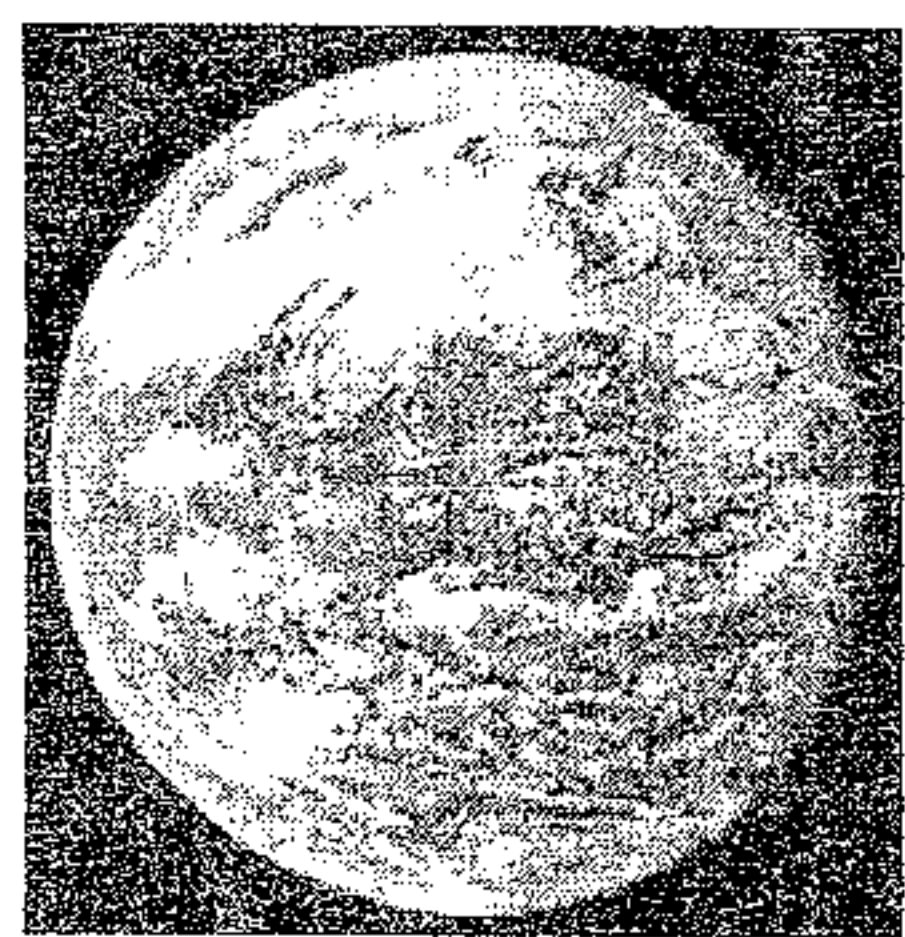
*James 4:14 Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.*

I would venture to say that you too know someone who may be lost but have made no effort to share the love of Jesus with them. Maybe you feel unworthy due to sin in your own life. Do you not care enough about that person to clean up your act and

let them see how Jesus can change folks? Maybe you are lost and need to know how much Jesus wants to be YOUR Savior? He is bigger than sin, stronger than men and can fix your life as He is fixing mine. Rococet addiction? No problem for Jesus! Brain tumor? Nuttin but a thing for my Lord! Just give it to Jesus and you will see for yourself.

*Romans 10:13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of The Lord shall be saved.*

My dear friend, the best gift we could ever give a loved one is to introduce them to Jesus, who has already paid the price for our sin and offers eternity in heaven to all who will accept Him. If we are Christians, we have an obligation to live pure lives and produce the fruit of the Spirit. We must seize opportunities to tell others about Christ as they may not get another chance to hear, and we may not get another chance to share. We must live as if it's day twenty-nine and seconds count because they absolutely do!



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**Initiative**

distressed homeowners around the country from a rising tide of fraud schemes—and to raise awareness about them—the FBI joined the Department of Justice, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) in announcing the results of the Distressed Homeowner Initiative. This initiative was launched by the Bureau—co-chair of

the Financial Fraud Enforcement Task Force's Mortgage Fraud Working Group—in October 2011.

This initiative combines the resources of federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies and the efforts of regulatory agencies to target perpetrators both criminally and civilly. Over 200 companies have been shut down, and criminal charges were filed against 530 defendants. These cases involved losses of more

than \$1 billion from more than 73,000 victims across the country.

Said Associate Deputy Director Kevin Perkins, "In contrast with previous initiatives, where the fraud victims primarily were lenders, the focus here is on individual homeowners, many times at their most vulnerable point."

Based on intelligence from multiple sources, schemes targeting distressed homeowners have emerged throughout the country, and while the majority of FBI mortgage fraud cases involve loan origination fraud, we've had a 300 percent increase over the past three years in cases involving distressed homeowner fraud.

And with current mortgage data showing that 22.3 percent of residential properties with mortgages are "underwater"—when borrowers owe more than their homes are worth—we believe that fraudsters will certainly continue to target distressed homeowners.

We've also noticed a disturbing trend among these cases—an increasing number of lawyers

playing primary or secondary roles in the fraud. In 2010, the FTC issued a rule that prohibited companies that offer loan modification or other types of mortgage assistance services from asking for fees in advance (some states have similar regulations), but with an exemption in some instances for lawyers performing legal work. Criminals targeting distressed homeowners try to circumvent the rules by using attorneys—which by itself adds an air of legitimacy to their fraudulent schemes—and calling their upfront fees "legal retainers."

The FBI's Financial Intelligence Center played a critical role at the outset of the initiative by reviewing and analyzing thousands of consumer complaints referred to us by our partners at the FTC, which helped identify where high-priority offenders were operating and allowed us to strategically deploy our investigative resources. The analysis of information from our partner agencies and from our own investigations will continue to be a

vital part of our efforts to protect homeowners. The FBI also remains committed to targeting the most egregious criminal offenders with sophisticated investigative techniques—like undercover operations and court-authorized electronic surveillance—and through joint efforts with our law enforcement and regulatory partners.

If you have been victimized by those who claimed they could get you some kind of mortgage relief but didn't, please submit a tip to us online or contact your local FBI office.

**Police Beat**

Michael Dewayne Norman, of Town Creek Circle, Lenoir City was charged with failure to appear.

Deputy Olwin Norman, LCSO made the arrest.

Joshua Martin Cusick, 19, of Browder Hollow Road, Lenoir City was charged with a criminal court capias for theft of property \$1000-\$10,000.

Deputy Daniel Ferguson, LCSO made the arrest.



**Rebecca "Becky" Watkins**

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November 6, 2012

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**TALKING POINTS**

**1. FINANCES:** I have over thirty years experience in Administrative Assistant and Executive and Financial Secretarial positions. I have studied the City Budgets and Annual Audits of the past few years. We CANNOT CONTINUE to borrow and overspend taxpayers' money under the assumption that our economy is going to improve!

**2. HIRING:** I think it is time we tell City Council that THE CITY AND LCUB JOBS ARE NOT THEIR JOBS TO GIVE AWAY! The Lenoir City government is not a family business and should not be run as if it were. We need a hiring policy that would insure equal opportunity for anyone to apply and be considered according to merit for every open position in the future. (This would not affect current employees.)

**3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** I would like to see us return to the original intent of the City Charter that made the City Council and the LCUB Board two separate groups of individuals. As it is now, it is not uncommon for the Council/LCUB Board to pass a motion serving as one entity, and vote to pass the motion on to THEMSELVES for their own additional approval, serving as the other entity. (To sit in a meeting and see this take place is unbelievable.)

**4. ACCOUNTABILITY:** I believe we need an appointed Ethics or Oversight Committee that would consist of at least ten city residents who are not related to (or business affiliates of) the Mayor or any member of City Council. (Presently, the City Attorney oversees ethics in our City government. The City Attorney is hired by the City Council.)

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