

Woman charged with forging school documents

According to the warrants, filed by Corporal Chad Estes, LCSO in March 2013 Mrs. Jodi Thigpen did present a medical recommendation sheet to North Middle School faculty in Lenoir City that her son had homebound instruction. The form appeared to have been signed by Carl Goins, a physician assistant at the Fort Loudon Medical Center. Corporal Estes, the

(see Forgery pg. 5)



Jodi Thigpen

McGhee Square Mayhem

Officer Rick Eubanks, LCPD and officers were dispatched McGhee Square Apartments about an assault. Officers found the male victim outside the apartment. He had cuts from his head to his belt line. The victim reported he was asleep and was hit in the head by his girlfriend Ms. Telisha D. McCord. The victim also reported she used a coffee cup, plate, to cut

(see Mayhem pg. 3)



Telisha McCord

Illegal dumper nabbed after trash goes missing

According to the report, Deputy Brad Rayfield, LCSO was dispatched to the area of Notch and Hill and the Pond Creek Mill on a suspicious vehicle. The suspicious vehicle in question was supposed to be a blue Chevrolet s10 truck that was loaded down with brush and the caller was afraid that someone was attempting to dump illegally. The officer witnessed a blue Chevrolet s10 with nothing in the bed, coming out of the area going toward Hwy

(see Trashman pg. 4)

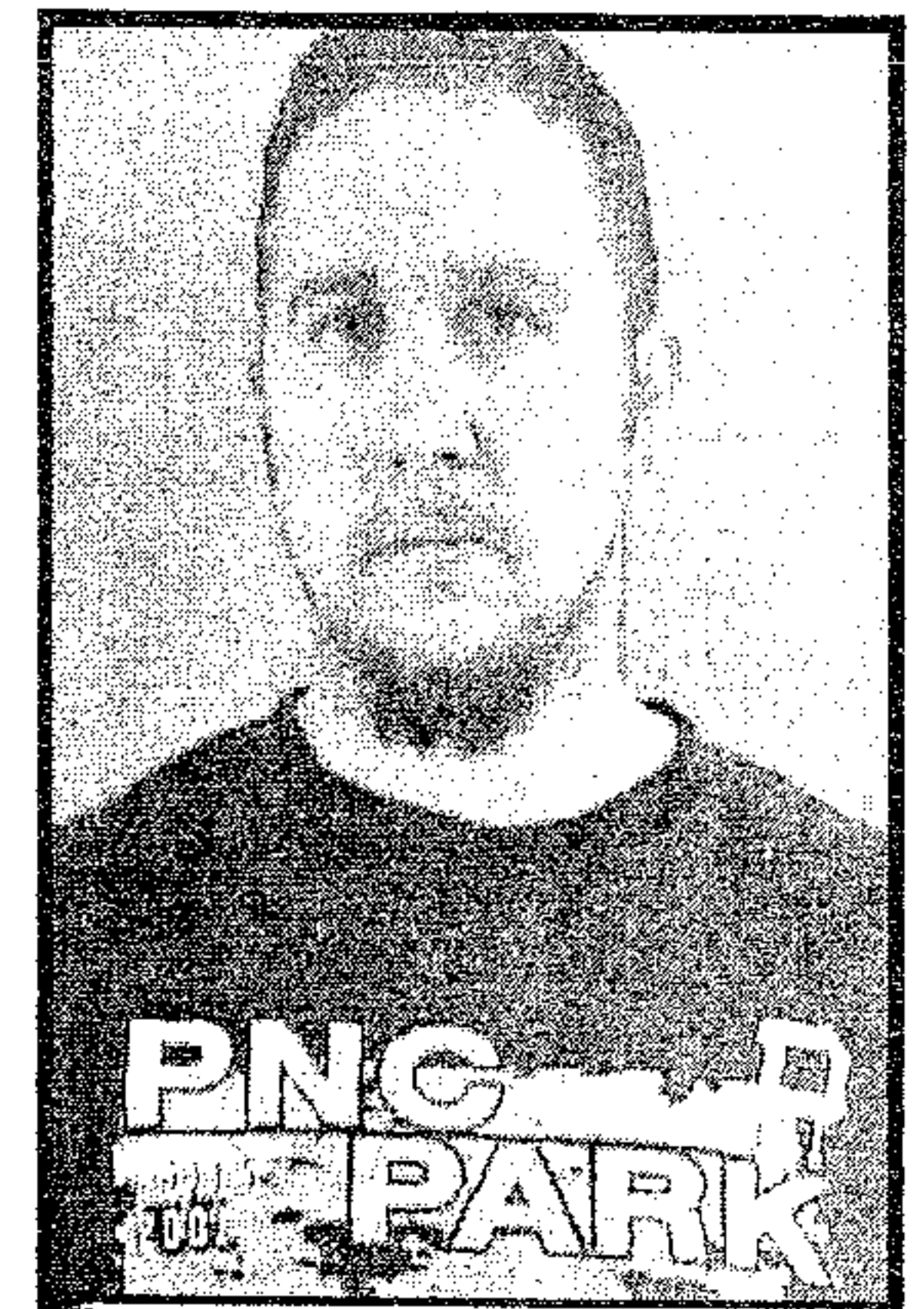


Andrew Hart

Banned from the square

The property manager for McGhee Square reported a man on the banned person(s) list out to an already patrolling officer in the area. The man was taken into custody without incident. Officer Brandon Gentry, LCPD was patrolling through McGhee Square Apartments and was flagged down by

(see Banned pg. 7)



Robert Key

Verse of the Day

Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by his good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. — James 3:13

Obituaries

Kenneth Geagley
Lowell R. (Curley) Tallent

Bruce L. Bledsoe

Wazzup

It's finally warming up and now we get the rain. Hopefully

this weekend will be a pretty one. Don't forget Mother's Day this Sunday either.

Weather

Today: Partly cloudy with a chance of a thunderstorm and a chance of rain. High of 72F.
Tonight: Partly cloudy

with a chance of rain. Fog overnight. Low of 54F.
Thursday: Partly cloudy with a chance of a thunderstorm and a chance of rain in the afternoon. High of 77F.
Thursday Night: Mostly cloudy with a chance of a thunderstorm and a chance of rain, then a chance of a

thunderstorm and rain after midnight. Fog overnight. Low of 57F.

Horoscopes

Taurus 4/20-5/20

Try not to rush out and pick up on the first solution that sounds good. You

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Police beat

Andrew Russell Sparks, 29, of Miller Road, Lenoir City, was charged with public intoxication. According to the report, Deputy J. Schultz, LCSO observed a white male in the courtroom laughing and making faces while talking to himself. The

deputy asked the man to come out to the foyer and talk with him. The subject was identified as Andrew Sparks. Mr. Sparks pupils were dilated and he was unsteady on his feet. Upon further investigation Mr. Sparks stated he was on Ecstasy. Mr. Sparks was placed under arrest and taken downstairs to the

jail. Deputy J. Schultz, LCSO made the arrest.

Jose Alfredo Jimenez, 50, of Galyon Drive, Lenoir City, was charged with failure to appear. Deputy Olwin Norman, LCSO made the arrest.

Charles Frank Prince, 27, of Level Drive,

Maryville, was charged with violation of probation out of Blount County. Deputy John Bearden, LCSO made the arrest.

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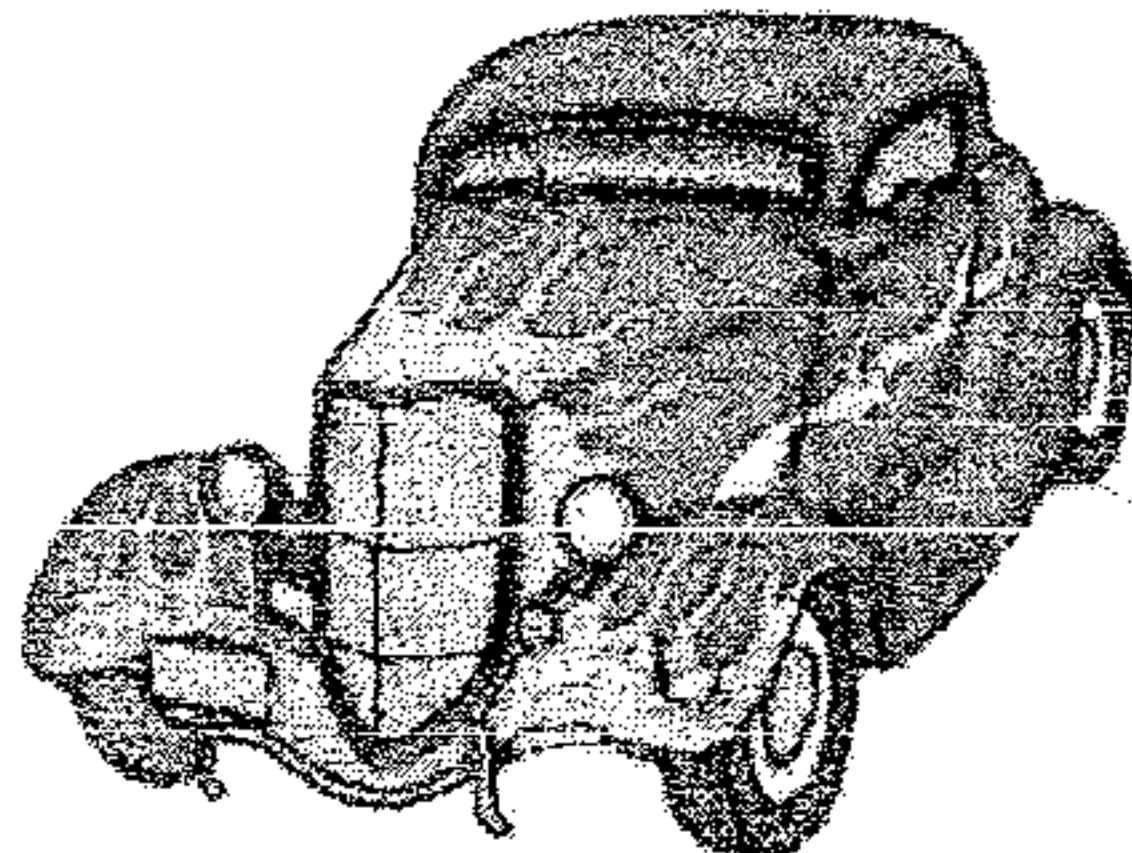
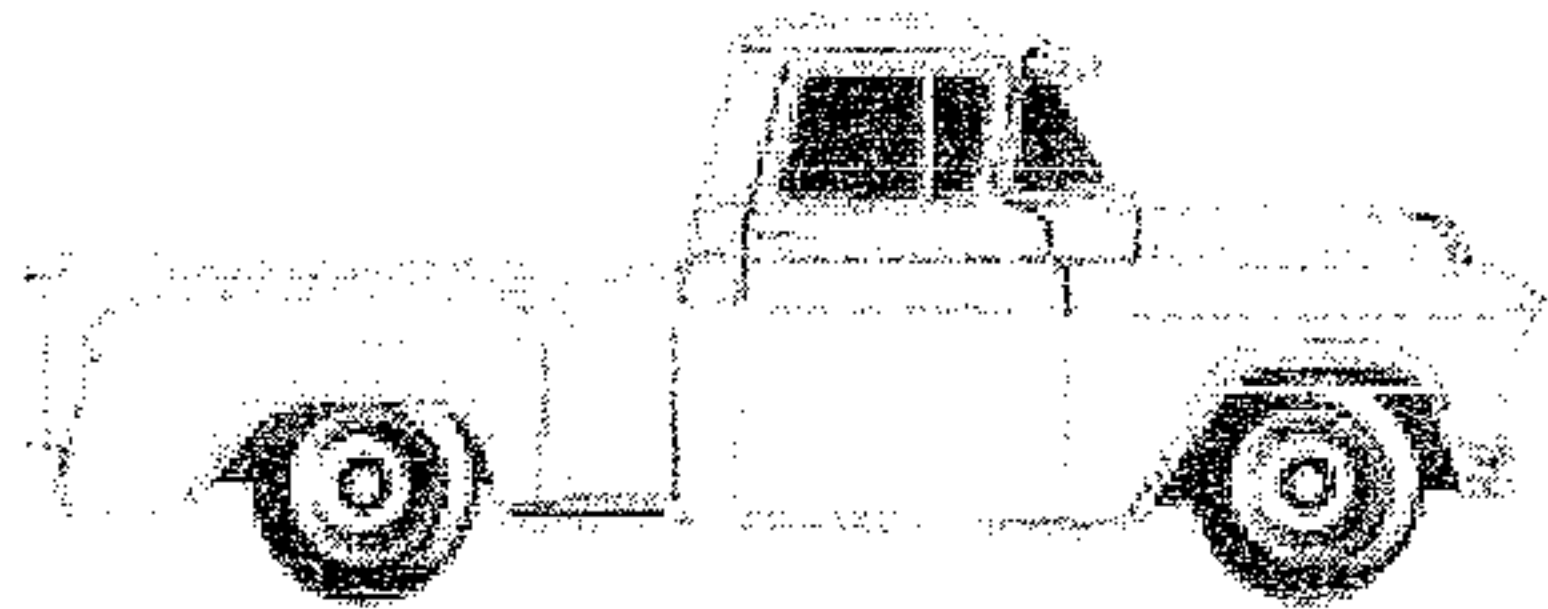
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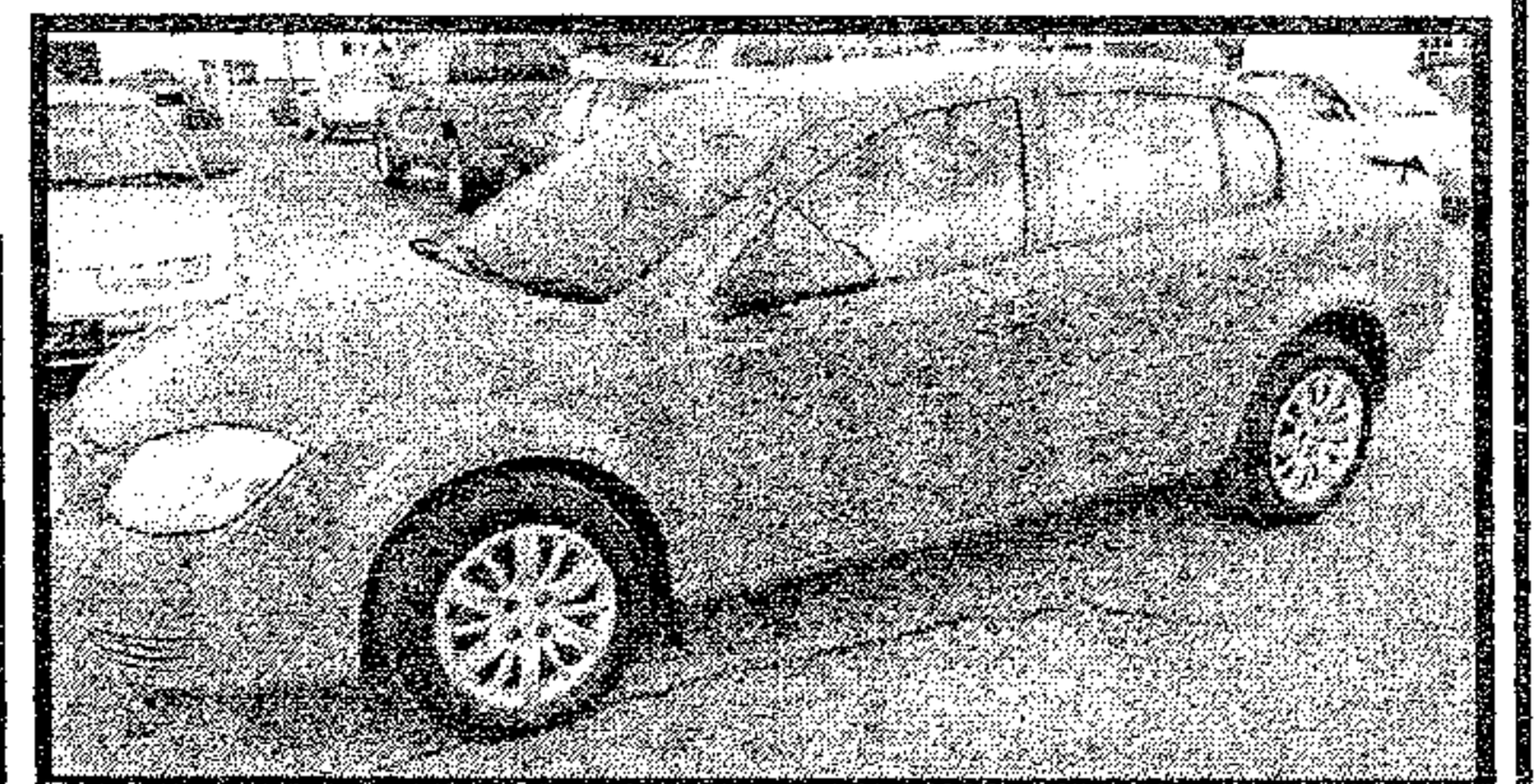
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Mayhem

cut his chest, back, etc. He also had a bite mark on his left hand.

Ms. Telisha McCord reported to officers that he broke down the front door and she did hit him more than one time with the door framing that broke loose from the doorframe. She also reported he choked her. Officers were unable to find any marks on Ms. McCord at the time of the report. Also the victim had to

be transported to the ER due to injuries. Ms. McCord also stated she did take a Xanax the night before.

Also found on the property was an empty prescription bag of Xanax, 70 count total filled just the day before, empty on that date belonging to Michael Ross of Dutton Road, Loudon.

Telisha Danielle McCord, 29, of Kelly Lane, McGhee Square Apartments, Lenoir City, was charged with aggravated domestic assault and as-

sault. Officer Rick Eubanks, LCPD made the arrest.

Police beat

Brian Michael Sargent, 26, of Browder Hollow Road, Lenoir City, was charged with domestic assault. According to the report, Officer Don Lorenz, LCPD was dispatched to Browder Hollow Road regarding a past domestic assault. When the officer arrived he spoke with Brian Sargent, who reported he and the victim had been in a verbal argument. Brian told the officer the argument had not been physical. Brian told the officer he took the victim's cell phone and threw it down and broke it. The victim had left when the officer arrived and gave a statement to other officers. The victim had two small marks on her left and right shoulder, which she claimed had been caused by Brian stabbing her with a knife. Brian denied having touched the victim at all. The victim had an abrasion on her knee, which she said was caused by Brian throwing her down. There were two children present in the home at the time of the incident. Brian had been drinking and the officer could smell an odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from Brian. Officer Don Lorenz, LCPD made the arrest.

Michael E. Ross, 34, of Cabrera Lane SE, was charged with two counts of violation of probation out of Bradley County. According to the report, Officer Don Lorenz, LCPD was dispatched to McGhee Square Apartments regarding an unwanted guest. When the officer arrived he spoke to Michael Eugene Ross and two others. After advising all subjects regarding the unwanted guest the officer walked away from the apartment. Moments later the officer heard several loud banging noises and yelling. The officer went back to the apartment and again spoke with the three subjects. The officer was advised by dispatch Ross had two warrants out of Bradley County for VOP. Of-

ficer Don Lorenz, LCPD made the arrest.

Cynthia An Reid, 51, of Evans Lane, Lenoir City, was charged with domestic assault. According to the report, Officer Brad Brown, LCPD was dispatched to Evans Lane in regard to a past assault.

On scene the officer spoke with the victim who reported just prior to calling dispatch she had been assaulted by Cynthia Reid. The victim stated she and Reid were in an argument at a relatives house at Evans Lane. During the argument Reid punched the victim in the back of her head on the left side then began pulling her hair. The officer saw loose hair.

The officer spoke with Ms. Reid who reported she had struck the victim in the head and pulled her hair and also caused the victim to fall and scrape her knee. Officer Brad Brown, LCPD made the arrest.

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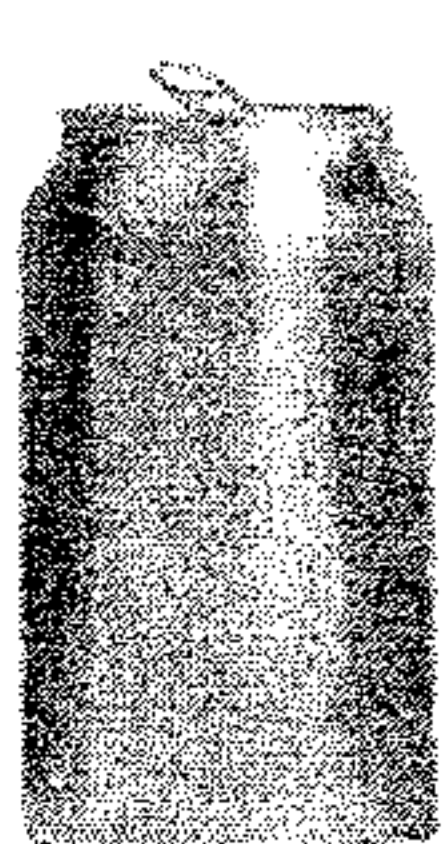
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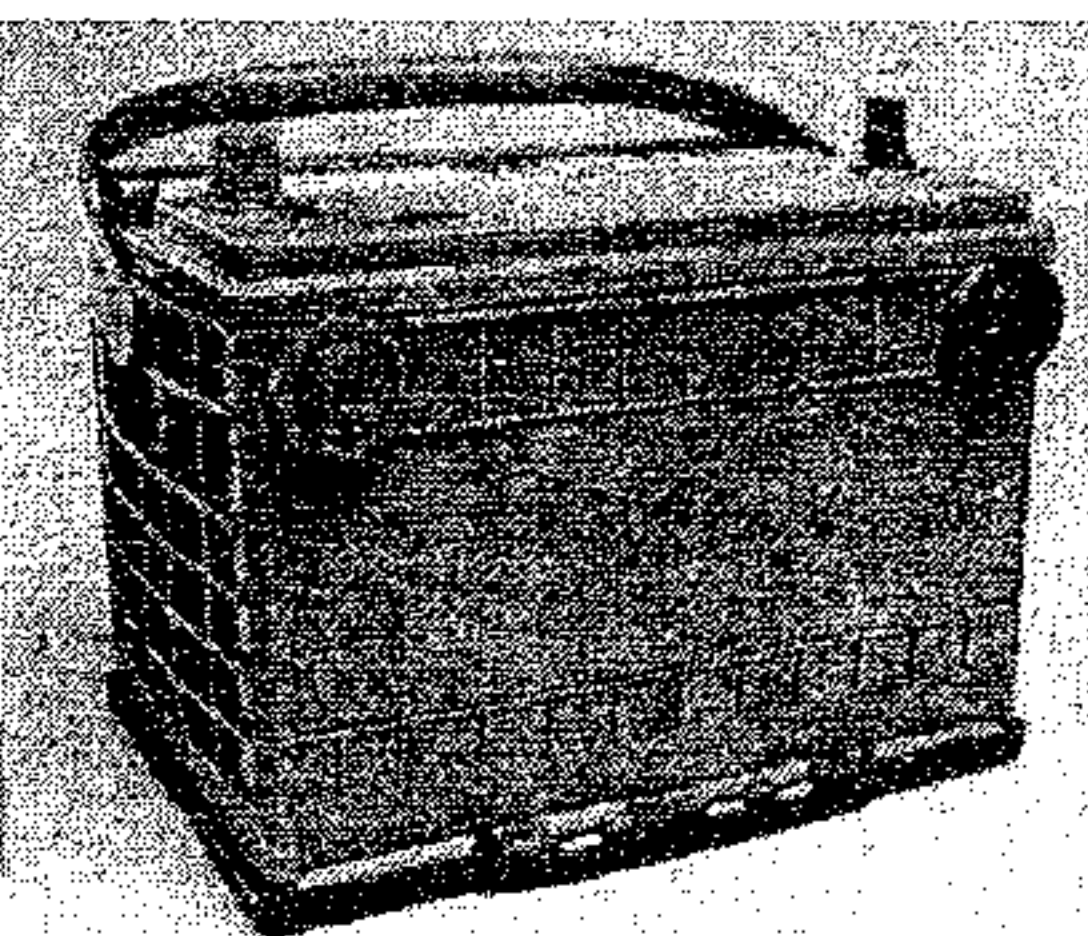
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Obituaries

Kenneth Geagley - age 83 of Lenoir City. Born July 16, 1929, went to be with the Lord on May 4, 2013. Ken was well loved by his family and friends and will be greatly missed by all who knew him. He is survived by his devoted wife of 62 years, Gloria; his sister, Faye Bennett; three son and three daughters: Donna Elizabeth Aguirregaviria, Kenneth Geagley, Jr. (Christine), Shirley Ann Benjamin, Ig Geagley (Joan Marie), Henry Geagley (Judy Ann), Dawn Marie Schoonmaker (Jeff); 18 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, and 5 great-great grandchildren, along with many nieces and nephews. He was a veteran of the Korean War serving in the United States Army and a lifetime member of the VFW.

Ken was retired from RSR Trucking Company and was well known in the community for his love of building bird houses. The family will receive friends from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at 7 p.m. in the Click Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Tom Tapp officiating. Family and friends will gather at the funeral home by 10:30 Wednesday morning and proceed to the Abbott Cemetery for graveside services and interment. Full military honors will be conferred by the Loudon County Veteran Honor Guard. Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Lowell R. (Curley) Tallent 71, of Loudon, passed away suddenly Tuesday May 7, 2013 at his home. Curley attended Loudon Freewill

Baptist Church. Arrangements announced later by Loudon Funeral Home.

Bruce L. Bledsoe - age 52 of Lenoir City passed away Monday, May 6, 2013. He was a loving husband, father and Pap-paw (Pops). Bruce was a member of Silver Ridge Baptist Church. He loved hunting, fishing and riding motorcycles. Bruce was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Cecile Bledsoe. Survived by his wife of 32 years, Terry Martin Bledsoe; children, Stephanie Bledsoe, Laura Bledsoe and Kyle Bledsoe; granddaughter, Kailyn Madison (Pookie) Asbury; brothers and sisters-in-law, Larry and Brenda Bledsoe, Mike and Cathy Bledsoe; niece, Chrissy Carver and husband, Cody; mother-in-law, Nora Martin

Holt, and special friends, Wayne Collins, Jack Turpin and Gary Watson. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Hawkins Chapel, 102 B Street, Lenoir City. Funeral services will follow at 8 p.m. with Rev. Scot Wells officiating. Family and friends will gather at the funeral home by 10:30 Thursday morning and proceed to Lakeview Cemetery for graveside services at 11 a.m. Hawkins Chapel, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Trashman

72. The deputy stopped the vehicle at Hwy 72 and Grove St for investigation of possible dumping. The driver, Andrew Hart, did admit the had dumped a

full bed of brush back on Notch and Hill and he also had dumped some more somewhere else on Hwy 72.

Corporal Michael Watkins, LCSO did go check and found where Mr. Hart had dumped the brush. Corporal Watkins did take photographs of a full truckload of brush and also paint cans and some sheetrock. It was unclear where Mr. Hart had dumped more on Hwy 72 possibly in Monroe County.

Andrew Slade Hart, 25, of Stockton Valley Road, Philadelphia, was charged with aggravated criminal littering. Deputy Brad Rayfield, LCSO made the arrest.

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Forgery

school resource officer spoke to Mr. Goins and he denied signing the document and provided his signatures. On

April 10 Ms. Thigpen was interviewed at the Loudon County Justice Center and after having been read her Miranda Rights did admit

to forging the signature of Ms. Goins so that her son could be homebound. The school system pays for an instructor to assist the

homebound student.

In another warrant, on November 5, 2012 and on Jodi Thigpen presented a medical recommendation sheet to North Middle School Faculty in Lenoir City that her son had homebound instruction. The form appeared to have been signed by Carl Goins, a physician assistant at the Fort Loudon Medical Center. Corporal Estes, the school resource officer spoke to Mr. Goins and he denied signing the document and provided his signatures. On April 10 Ms. Thigpen was interviewed at the Loudon County Justice Center and after having been read her Miranda Rights did admit to forging the signature of Ms. Goins so that her son could be homebound. The school system pays for an instructor to assist the homebound student.

on February 25, 2013 Jodi Thigpen presented a medical recommendation sheet to North Middle School Faculty in Lenoir City that her son had homebound instruction. The form appeared to have been signed by Dr. Mary Costello. A physician at Children's Hospital in Knoxville. Corporal Estes spoke to Dr. Costello and she denied the signature and provided samples of her signature. On April 10 Ms. Thigpen was interviewed at the Loudon County Justice Center and after having been read her Miranda Rights did admit to forging the signature of Ms. Goins so that her son could be homebound. The school system pays for an instructor to assist the homebound student.

Jodi Lynn Thigpen, 44, of Deaton Road, Lenoir City, was charged with three counts of forgery. Corporal Chad Estes, LCSO made the arrest.

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Banned

the property manager, Ashley Walker. Ms. Walker reported she located Robert Key on the property and he had previously been banned from the property. Mr. Key was placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon County Jail.

Robert Thomas Key, 24, of W. 2nd Av-

enue, Lenoir City, was charged with criminal trespassing. Officer Brandon Gentry, LCPD made the arrest.

Police beat

Michelle Leann Gonzalez, 40, of Duke Lane, Loudon, was charged with domestic assault. According to the report, Officer Brad Brown, LCPD received a call from an off duty officer

stating she observed the victim get out of the vehicle and start walking down Hwy 321 south. The officer further reported to Officer Brown Michelle Gonzalez crawled into the drivers seat and began following the victim and she drove so close he had to walk in the ditch. The victim then began walking on the pavement and the woman drove around him and began to back up at the victim and he had to jump into the grass. At that point Officer Brown arrived and the man stated he was in fear of being struck with the vehicle. Officer Brad Brown, LCPD made the arrest.

James Alexander Gregory, 24, of Eugene Disney Lane, Greenback, was charged with driving on revoked license. According to the

report, Deputy Kenneth Palmer, LCSO was traveling down Jackson Bend Road when a green vehicle was backing out of a driveway. The driver then proceeded to go down the road without a seatbelt and was stopped. The driver Mr. Gregory was found to have a revoked license. Deputy Kenneth Palmer, LCSO made the arrest.

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