

The Daily Edition

50¢

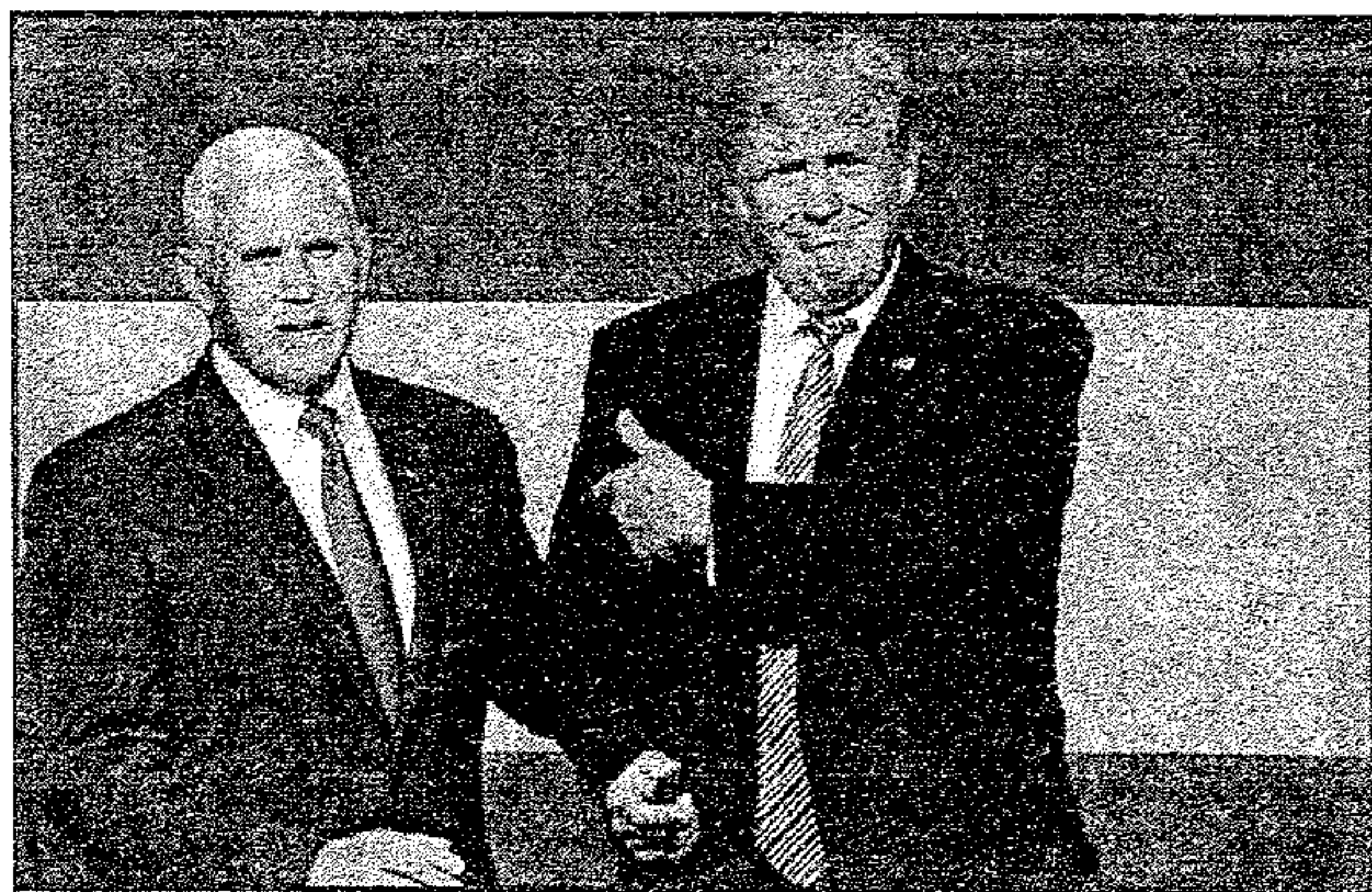
Serving Loudon, Monroe and Surrounding Counties

Thursday, November 10, 2016

Trump Wins! President Donald Trump will Make America Great Again *Lenoir City continues with proven leaders; appointment to come*

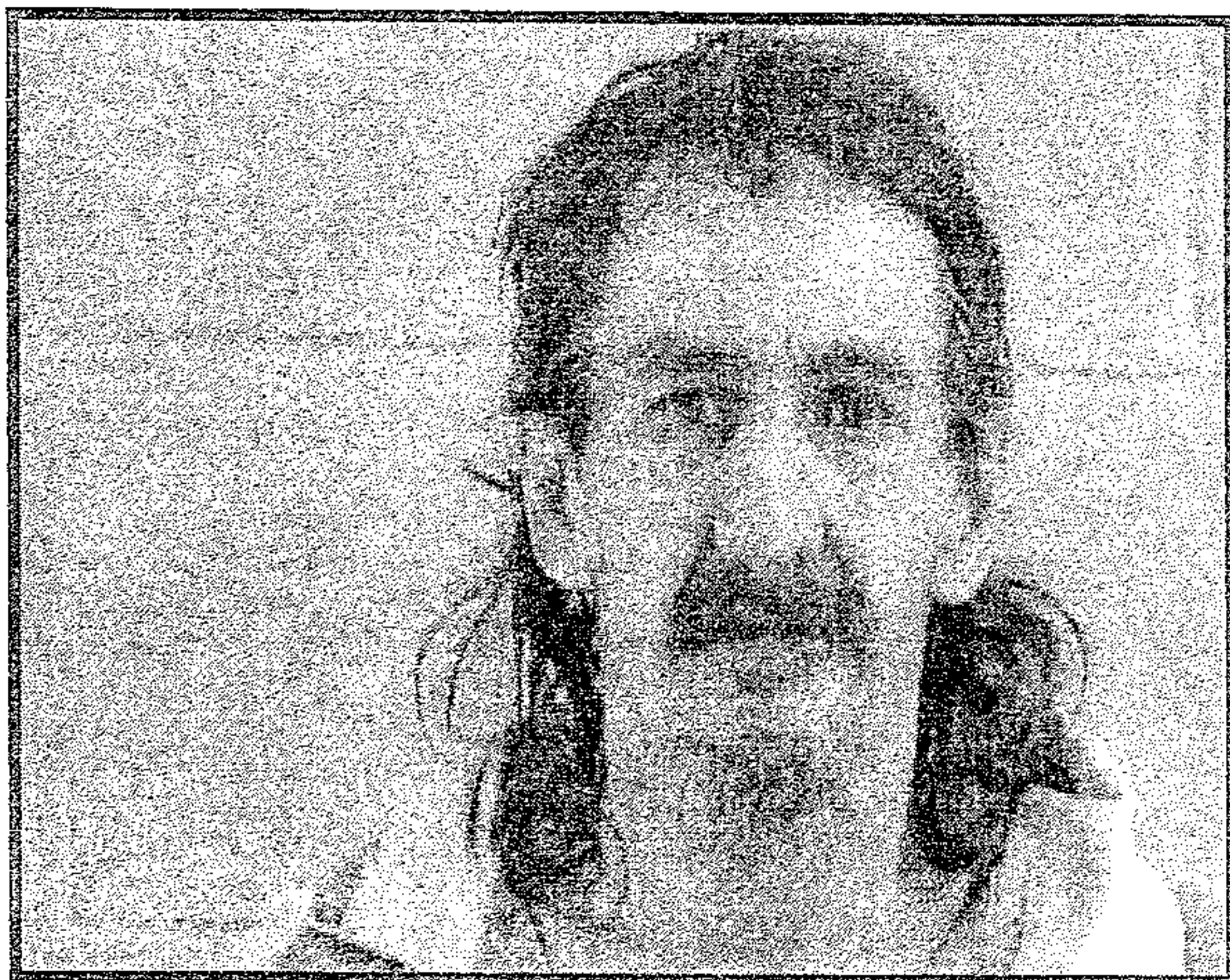
Tuesday Night was a Historic Night across our country, including our state and even our county. Records were set EVERYWHERE across our great country. People are fed up with Obamacare, open borders, and our jobs leaving our country. The man who promised to stop it all and

(see election pg. 2)



A winning combination Vice President Mike Pence and President Donald Trump

Revoked driver charged with paraphernalia



Dennis McCurry (see revoked pg. 4)

Charged after running off the roadway



Lana Helton see Charged pg. 5

Burglary Crew

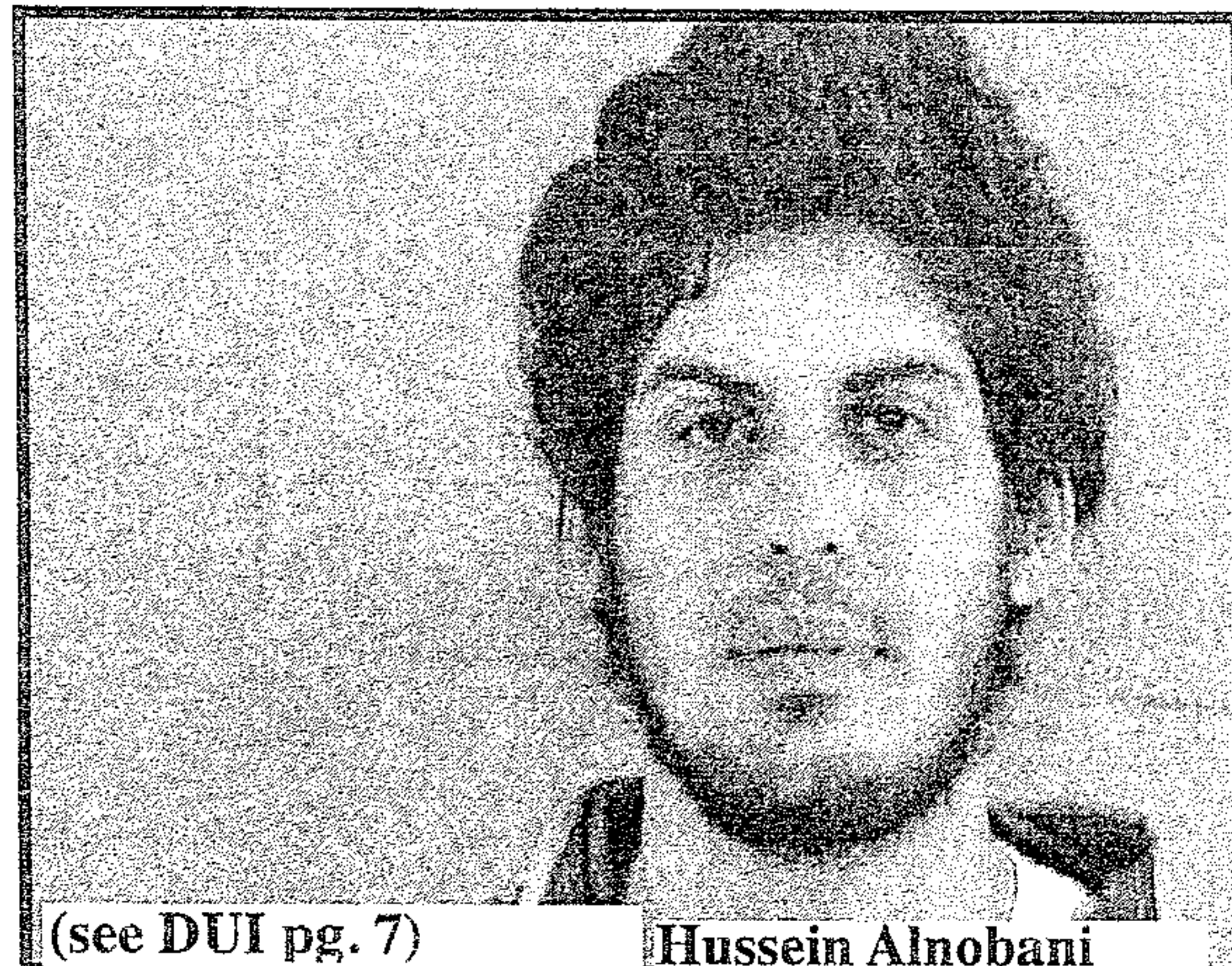
Break-In Netted 'Jedi Knight' Thieves \$2.5 Million in Jewels

The group of friends in their late 20s had known each other since high school and called themselves the "Jedi Knights." The name was based on the Star Wars movie characters who used "the Force" to bring balance and harmony to the universe. These Jedi Knights, however, were more interested in forced entry—as in burglary.

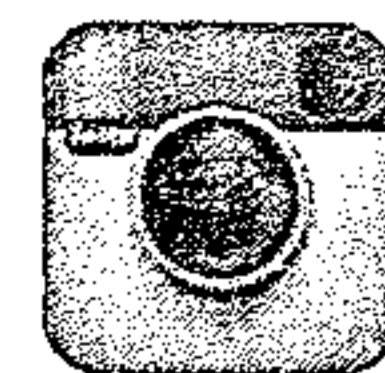
By their own accounts, the robbery crew loosely based in New York state committed several hundred home break-ins up and down the East Coast during 2011 and 2012. In February 2012, two of the Jedi Knights, Jason Gatto and Michael Simpson, chose a modest-looking house

see Burglary pg. 4

Man charged with DUI after speeding stop in LC



(see DUI pg. 7) Hussein Alnobani



Follow us on Instagram



LIKE US ON

facebook

Follow us on twitter

Verse of the Day

They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. — Isaiah 11:9

Obituaries

see inside **Wazzup**
Congratulations President Trump, Mayor Aikens, Councilmen Simpson, Johnson and Wampler!

Weather

Today: A mainly sunny sky. High 67F.
Tonight: A mostly clear sky. Low 36F.
Friday: Mostly sunny skies. High 68F.
Friday Night: Clear skies. Low 41F.

Horoscopes

Scorpio 10/23–11/21
You're driven to share the truth today without concern for the consequences. You are cleansed from your past experiences while impulsive Mars moves through

(Continued on page 6)



Election

build a wall was elected in a landslide victory across the country.

In Lenoir City which was pretty much the only contested race locally saw the incumbents, Eddie Simpson, Bobby Johnson Jr and the late Harry Wampler being re-elected.

Congratulations to all

those elected and Mr. Eddie Simpson should be given the position of Vice Mayor as is customary with the top vote getter in the race. Due to the untimely death of the late Harry Wampler his seat will be appointed by the council as soon as possible. That seat appointment will be up for election in two years with the other three seats that will be

up for re-election as well.

Tony Aikens received an outstanding complimentary vote and will retain his position for four years. The Mayor of Lenoir City is now a full time paid position.

see election ctd. pg. 7

**Call 865-771-2249 to Advertise and start saving today!
Has your group got an event coming up?
Let us know!!!**

Notice: The Daily Edition does not knowingly accept fraudulent or misleading materials. The Daily Edition cannot guarantee the validity of offerings or statements contained herein. All liability for the contents of all advertising, and for any claims that may arise therefrom, is the responsibility of the advertiser or its agency. The Daily Edition reserves the right to reject, edit, or abbreviate any advertisement submitted. Advertising is accepted with the understanding that all liability for all copyright violations is the sole responsibility of the advertiser. Photographs, artwork and other copy submitted for publication is considered the sole property of the advertiser. The Daily Edition will make every effort but will not be liable for failure to publish and ad or for typographical and layout errors. All statements and information about highlights featured items, letters to the editor, herein are those solely given to the interviewer or writer and the Daily Edition assumes no responsibility of the accuracy or validity thereof. The Daily Edition will gladly reprint at no charge that part of an advertisement in which an error occurs provided a claim is made within 3 days of the first publication of the ad. Information contained in the Wazzup is received anonymously and the Daily Edition assumes no responsibility for information and reserves the right to edit or reject any and/or all submissions. The Daily Edition is a daily newspaper of general circulation in Loudon County defined under TCA 2-1-104(a)(13). The Daily Edition also serves Monroe, Knox, Anderson, Roane and Blount counties and serves 30,000 readers weekly. Send mail to PO Box 1240, Lenoir City TN 37771. 865-771-2249. email: dan1204us@yahoo.com
The Daily Edition is Loudon County's premier public interest and paid advertising paper. The Daily Edition is produced and published daily Monday through Friday and is circulated throughout Loudon County and parts of Monroe and Knox Counties. Display advertising rates \$5.00 per column inch and quantity discounts available. Call for information on upcoming promotions and events.

HACIENDA Ayala's
Mexican Restaurant
Market Dr. * Lenoir City (In Front of Food City)

Real Authentic Mexican Food at Affordable Prices

BEST MARGARITA

You've Tried The Rest
Now Come Have The Best!!!

We Accept ALL Competitors Coupons Outside of Mexico City!

986-3553

Good Credit OK • Bad Credit OK • Bankruptcies OK • Repo OK



2011 Subaru Forester Low Miles, AWD, Luggage Rack, Alloy Wheels, AC, PW,



2011 Chevy Traverse AWD, LT, PW, PL, Chrome PKG, Luggage Rack, 3rd Row Seat



2006 Chrysler 300 Extremely Low Miles, PS, PW, PL, V6, Auto, Alloy Wheels, Like New



2009 Jeep Liberty 52k miles, Chrome Pkg, Luggage Rack, PW, PL, V6 Engine, Like New

Dependable Motors

\$500 Off Your Next Vehicle Purchase

Valid Through 11-15-2016

DEPENDABLE MOTORS 986-9343
803 E. Broadway • Lenoir City

* WAC. See Dealer for details

Visit our website at: www.dependablemotorslc.com

Serving Loudon County for 20 Years

Revoked

Dennis McCurry, 53, Myer Road Lenoir City, was charged with Driving on Revoked/Suspended License, and Poss. of Drug Para.

Deputy Kenneth Palmer LCSO, observed a 1985 Chevrolet Blazer traveling South on Highway 321. Deputy observed the vehicle's passenger side brake light was out. Deputy stopped the vehicle on Highway 321 at Bimbos. Deputy made contact with the driver Mr. Dennis Benton McCurry. Mr. McCurry stated that he did not have a license that it was revoked. Deputy ran Mr. McCurry

though dispatch by name and date of birth at which time they advised his license were revoked for DUI. Deputy asked Mr. McCurry if he could search the vehicle at which time he stated yes. While searching the vehicle Deputy did locate a sunglass case with 4 hyperemic syringes. Deputy also located a spoon with burn marks commonly used from shooting narcotics. Mr. McCurry was placed under arrest for driving on revoked license, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

After further investigation I did find Mr. McCurry had 1 prior driving on revoked and

1 prior driving on suspended. Mr. McCurry was then transported to the Loudon County Jail. Mr. McCurry's vehicle was towed from the scene by Malones Wrecker Service for Seizure. This did occur in Loudon County TN.

Burglary

in Salisbury, Connecticut, where no one seemed home. They knocked on the front door. If someone answered, the pair, professionally dressed in shirts and ties, would make up a story about why they were

there. If no one was home, which was the case—the victim and her husband's primary residence was in New York City—the plan was to go to the back of the house and break in.

The half-dozen principal members of the burglary crew all had Jedi Knights tattoos on their arms, and the thieves had a code of conduct: All proceeds were split evenly among the group, and members vowed to never snitch if arrested. Their strategy was to steal cash, jewelry, and weapons, and leave just about everything else behind.

Inside the Connecticut home that winter day, Gatto and Simpson discovered a

linen closet that contained inexpensive plastic containers—similar to fishing tackle boxes—full of jewelry. Because of the cheap containers and where they were located, the men believed the roughly 250 rings, watches, bracelets, and brooches were fakes. They took the jewelry, but

see Burglary ctd. pg. 7

20% OFF
Bring this ad to Jiffy Park Produce, Grove Street, Loudon and receive a 20% Discount on all your favorite fruit and veggies!
20% OFF



BUDGET Transmissions

302 S. Northshore Drive Knoxville
(865) 584-4391 budget-transmissions.com

Why Buy From Budget?
Free Towing From Lenoir City or Loudon County
20 Years of BBB Zero Customer Complaints Award Member
A+ Plus Rated
Huge Transmission Inventory
Best Technicians Period!!!
Call (865) 584-4391 Today!






LONNIE JONES OPTICAL DISPENSARY
"We Make The Difference You Can See"
Locally Owned and Operated

Over 1000 Frames To Choose From
No Frame Over \$69.00



On the corner of A & Depot Street, Lenoir City
986-7803
Serving Loudon County for over 40 years

NEED HELP WITH INCOME TAX? PROFESSIONAL TAX SERVICE

PRICE - 95% of returns between \$60-\$140
(No Coupons Required)

LOCALLY Owned & Operated - Open Year Round
30+ Years in the business

ALL Preparers with 10+ years experience

Pro Tax
111 E. Broadway
Lenoir City, TN 37771
Phone 865-986-4035

**US Armed Service Active Duty Personnel, "THANK YOU", Tax Return Free*

The Collision Center Inc., is locally owned and operated by **Stan Ledbetter** and **Jake Tillett**. Along with their staff, they have over 136 years of combined experience in the collision repair business.

After working for *Knoxville Collision Center* for years before it was sold to an out of state corporation, Stan and Jake have fulfilled their dreams of owning and running their own shop.

"We are a family of past co-workers who have been together for 15 years. We support ALL our military and are ALL VOL! Stop by and see us and you will know with us *"Quality is not an option it is the only standard we will accept."*

The Collision Center, Inc.
10439 Lexington Drive
Knoxville, TN
865-288-7919



Charged

Lana Helton, 54, County Lane Lenoir City, was charged with Man/Sell/Del/Resale Sch. VI, and Driving on Revoked/Suspended License. Deputy Cody Fritts LCSO, observed a gold vehicle traveling on Manis Road. The vehicle went off the roadway in the ditch and came back onto the road-

way. Upon stopping the vehicle the driver was identified as Lana Helton. Deputy ask Helton about running off the roadway, she stated she was messing with the radio. Deputy could smell a strong odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. Upon running Helton through dispatch she was found to be revoked. Deputy

ask Helton is she had anything illegal on her or in her vehicle. Helton retrieved a sun glass case, inside the case was a baggy of marijuana weighing

approx. 21.6 grams. Helton was placed under arrest.

Burn ban in effect for East TN

From the Loudon County Government, Office of the Mayor
Currently, East Tennessee weather has produced dry conditions with little or no rain fall, temperatures in the 80's, wind and low humidity for several weeks. Counties in our area have varying levels of drought conditions and these factors have created an increased brush and forest fire risk.

Because of this increased risk, Loudon County Mayor, Roland "Buddy" Bradshaw, in consultation with the state forestry office and TEMA has requested a "Ban on Open Burning" in Loudon County from the state Commissioner of Agriculture. As approved, this ban is effective immediately and will remain in place until further notice.

Until our region receives appreciable rain fall, this increased fire risk will continue and the ban will remain in effect.

For the safety of all persons, livestock and property, we are asking our citizens to voluntarily comply with this ban.

A violation of this ban is classified by the Tennessee Code Annotated 39-14-306 as "reckless burning" and is a class A misdemeanor with up to a \$2,500 fine.

Good Used Appliances
Washer, Dryer, Stove, Freezer, Refrigerator.
\$100 & up
Call 423-351-4319

Help Wanted SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS NEEDED
Monroe County area; Paid weekly \$67.00 per day-\$335.00 per week \$300.00 sign on bonus
Call 423-337-1865

PURDY'S AUTO PARTS AND SALVAGE
WE BUY SCRAP IRON • COPPER • BRASS • ALUMINUM

\$ **Paying Top \$\$\$**
Call For Latest Prices

You Name It, We Buy It!

Radiators, Wheels, Batteries, Appliances, Farm Equipment

Copper
Paying Top \$\$\$
Call For Latest Prices

Complete Cars
per 100 lbs.

Scrap Metal
Paying Top \$\$\$
Call For Latest Prices
per 100 lb

We Buy Batteries

Aluminum Cans
Paying Top \$\$\$
Call For Latest Prices

You Call We Haul!
423-519-5402



Prices subject to change with the market.

Now Selling Aftermarket Body Parts at Discount Prices

423 337-3977
149 County Road 323 Sweetwater

Prices subject to change with the market.

DUI

Hussein Alnoba-ni, 24, County Road Sweetwater, was charged with DUI.

Officer Christian Dragon LCPD, observed a black Chrysler Sebring traveling on Hwy 321 N. before Hwy 70. The radar confirmed the speed to be 76 mph in a 55mph zone. Officer initiated a traffic stop by activating his emergency lights at the red light at the intersection of Hwy 321 and Hwy 70. The defendant didn't react to emergency lights so Officer activated his sirens. We continued traveling North on Hwy 321 to exit 81

south bound. We proceeded onto interstate I-75 south, and traveled to mile marker 80 where the complainant finally stopped. On I-75 S. the defendant was swerving, crossing the center line, and driving on the shoulder. Upon stop, Officer smelled the odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from the defendant's mouth. He performed poorly during the field sobriety test. During horizontal gaze nystagmus test, he showed lack of smooth pursuit, nystagmus prior to 45. During the one leg stand test, he was swaying, hopping and putting his foot down. The defendant was taken into custody for driving under the influence. He gave consent to draw blood. The defendant was transported to the ER and after the blood was drawn, he was transported to the Loudon County Jail without incident. After the consent of the defendant to search his vehicle, we observed

several empty whisky bottles of different sizes and beer cans in plain view. During the time of traveling in an attempt to stop the defendant from the intersection of Hwy 321 and Hwy 70 to the I-75 South mile marker 80 we maintained a normal rate of speed.

Election ctd. from pg. 2

On the state level, Kent Calfee and Jimmy Matlock were re-elected and on the federal level our own Jimmy Duncan Jr. was re-elected as well.

The elections across the country echoed the frustration of the American people, who have watched jobs leave our country and families nearly bankrupted over rising insurance premiums. We shall see what happens when our newly elected leader the 45th President of the United States, Mr. Donald Trump, takes the helm in January.

Maybe NAFTA will be repealed and we can get some of our jobs back in the USA! It sure would be great to be able to go back to Knoxville to pick up those Levi's where they used to be made, now they come from overseas.

By the numbers from Vanshaver.com Loudon County Election Results Only
 President
 Hillary Clinton 4,916
 Donald Trump 17,588
 Lenoir City Council
 Vote For Any Three
 Bobby Gene Johnson 1,404
 Monty Ross 1,133
 Steven D Shoemaker 871
 Eddie Simpson 1,628
 Harry Wampler 1,292
 United States House

Of Representatives 2nd Congressional District
 John J Duncan Jr. (R) 18,675
 Stuart Starr (D) 3,919
 Tennessee House Of Representatives 21st District
 Jimmy Matlock (R) 12,967
 Pamela "Pam" Weston (D) 2,911
 William James Vandever (I) 558
 Tennessee House Of Representatives 32nd District
 Kent D Calfee (R) 4,162
 Corey B Stafford (D) 897
 Tyler Overstreet (I) 1,136

they did this time." -Jennifer Berry, special agent, FBI New Haven

"They sold the jewels in Nevada, California, North Carolina, all over the country," Berry said, "and for a fraction of what they were worth—it was pennies on the dollar." Investigators picked up the Jedi Knights' trail, Berry explained, when stolen items started turning up. "We were notified when a Cartier watch that belonged to the victim showed up at a pawn shop in Beverly Hills, California."

That watch led investigators to Dahl, and later to the other members of the burglary crew. In January 2016, Gatto was arrested for his role in the Connecticut robbery, and two months later the Jedi Knights ringleader pleaded guilty to one federal count of conspiracy to transport stolen property.

Eventually, Simpson, Dahl, and Mead also pleaded guilty in connection with their roles in the Connecticut theft. In February 2016, Mead was sentenced to 41 months in prison. In August 2016, Gatto received a 40-month term. Simpson and Dahl await sentencing.

After the burglary, police recovered some of the stolen jewelry that Gatto and Simpson had discarded along Route 41 in Salisbury. But the majority of the pieces were never recovered.

"What's sad," Berry said, "is that much of the jewelry had belonged to the victim's grandmother, and it had tremendous sentimental value." A one-of-a-kind brooch signed by the artist and valued at \$65,000, for example, was lost forever because the Jedi Knights sold it to a smelter for under \$1,000. "That's what they did with a lot of the pieces," Berry said. "They sold them for the weight of the gold and they were melted down."

Burglary ctd. from pg. 5

as they drove away from the home, they threw a number of pieces out the car window.


It was only later, after Simpson's girlfriend and accomplice got a look at the jewelry—pieces made by Cartier, Tiffany, and Van Cleef—that the Jedi Knights began to understand that they had made the heist of their lives.

"It was dumb luck that they came up with such a valuable haul," said Special Agent Jennifer Berry, who investigated the case from the FBI's New Haven Division along with the Connecticut State Police. "They had never hit the jackpot like they did this time."

The total estimated value of the jewels was \$2.5 million. Gatto, Simpson, and Simpson's girlfriend, Martha Dahl, went to North Carolina with the jewelry, where a fellow Jedi Knight, Miguel Mead, later met them. The pieces were distributed among the group, who began to sell them to pawn shops, fences, and other buyers.

"It was dumb luck that they came up with such a valuable haul. They had never hit the jackpot like

Kelley's Tree Service
 Free Estimates
 Fully Insured
 865-414-3014



Century 21
 THE REAL ESTATE PLACE, INC.
 Each Office Independently Owned & Operated
 404 East Broadway
 Lenoir City, TN 37771
 (865) 986-7577 office
 (865) 986-1405 fax
 (865) 317-2748 cell
 21shannon.boyd@gmail.com

Shannon Boyd
 Realtor
 TN License 335986

B & B BONDING COMPANY
 "If You Go To Jail We Got Your Bail"
 www.bbbonding.com
 Loudon Co.
 865-986 BAIL
 (2245)
 All major credit cards accepted
 Buddy McConkey bondsman

For Sale
 Air Conditioners,
 85k BTU \$85
 Dryers \$65
 Fridges \$135
 Stoves \$100
 Washers \$115
 All Are Guaranteed!
 Call Allen
 865-617-7113