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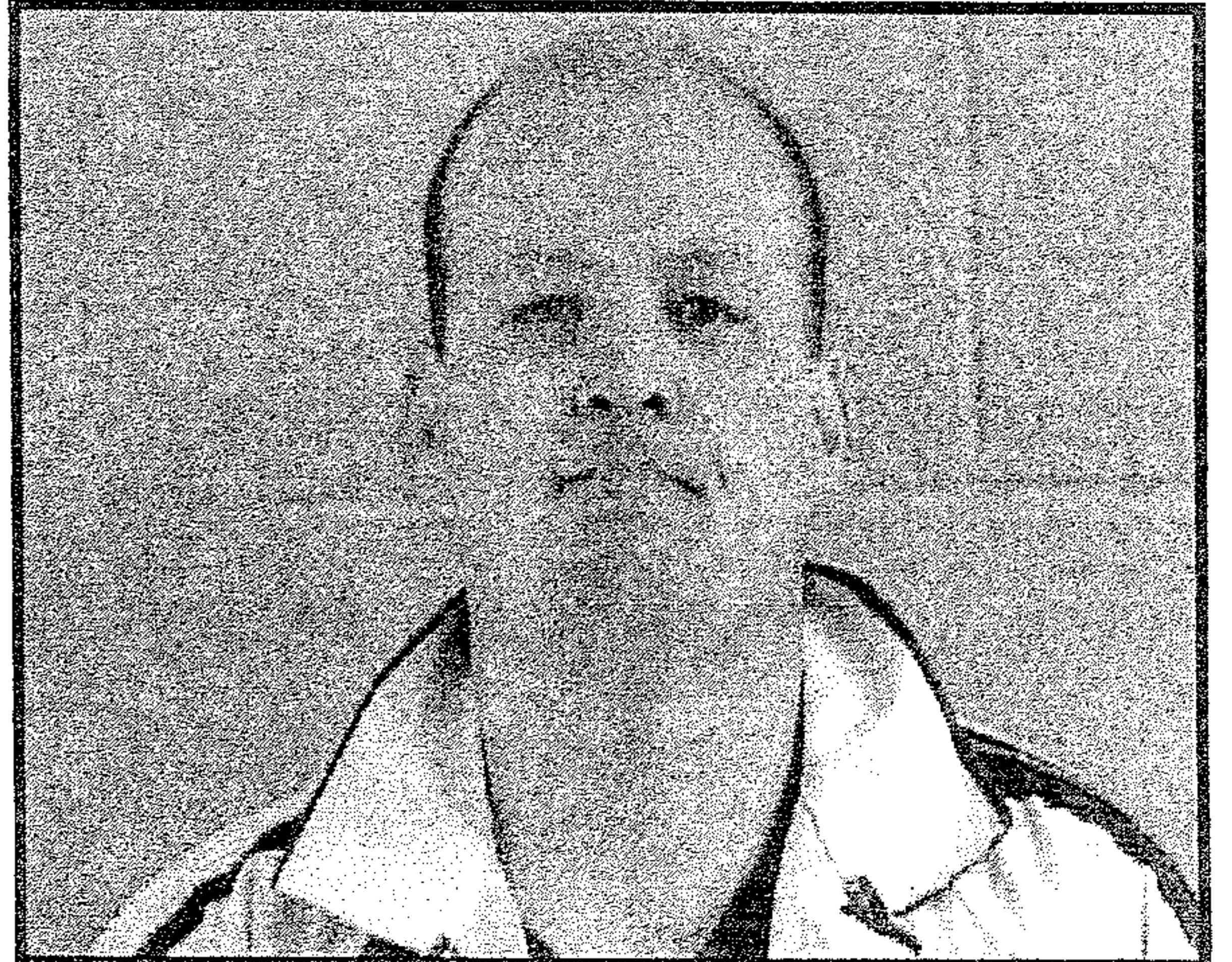
Joel Lynn, 30, Pond Creek Road Philadelphia, was charged with Man/Sell/Del/Resale Sch. II x2, and Poss. of Drug Para.

Deputy Charles Huskin LCSO, observed a white male walking on Fork Creek Rd. Deputy did stop to check the welfare of the subject and identified the subject as Mr. Joel Hamilton Lynn. Deputy ask Mr. Lynn
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Joel Lynn

Reckless driver call leads to arrest by Deputy Ketner



Jonathan Reed

(see reckless pg. 4)

Haslam Names David Gerregano as Revenue Commissioner

Gerregano Has Served in the Department of Revenue for 19 years Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam today announced David Gerregano as commissioner of the Department of Revenue effective Dec. 3.

A 19-year veteran of the department, Gerregano, 46, is currently deputy commissioner, and he will replace Commissioner Richard Roberts, whose departure was announced earlier this month.

As deputy commissioner since

see Haslam pg. 4

Pickett County Has Long History of Uncorrected Problems

Centralizing County Finances Could Help

The Tennessee Comptroller's Office has released its annual audit of Pickett County government, and sadly, a troubling trend continues. Pickett County has had at least 10 audit findings for seven consecutive years.

The fiscal year 2016 report includes 13 findings identifying numerous problems, including issues with accounting, purchasing, book-keeping and property assessment practices. Nine of the 13 findings

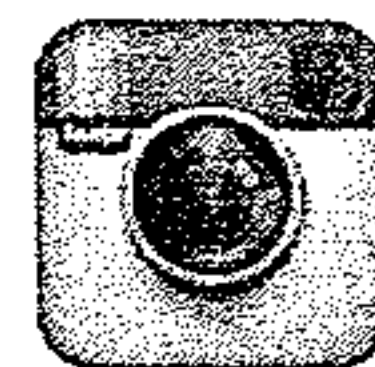
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More charges follow lying to deputy



(see LCSO pg. 7)

Charles Clark



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Verse of the Day

He [Barnabas] was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith, and a great number of people were brought to the Lord. — Acts 11:24

Obituaries

see inside Wazzup

Hope Everyone Enjoyed the Thanksgiving Holiday. Please be safe on the roadways during this shopping season as

it begins today, Black Friday!

Weather

Today: Considerable cloudiness. High 63F. Tonight: Partly cloudy skies. Low 36F. Saturday Mainly sunny.

High 57F. Saturday Night Clear skies. Low 28F. Sunday Sunshine and some clouds. High 63F. Sunday Night Partly cloudy skies early will become overcast later dur-
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resale

where he was going and he started stating that he was in route to a friends house. Deputy ask Mr. Lynn if he had anything illegal on his person and he stated no but was later found that he did have some Hydrocodone in his pocket. Deputy did retrieve 4 7.5 Hydrocodone and a Tyle-nol bottle containing a crys-

tal like substance believed to be Methamphetamine along with a pack of needles. Mr. Lynn was advised that he was under arrest for possession of schedule II x 2 and possession of drug paraphernalia. Mr. Lynn was taken into custody and escorted to the Loudon County Jail.

This did happen in Loudon county.

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-Don Marquis

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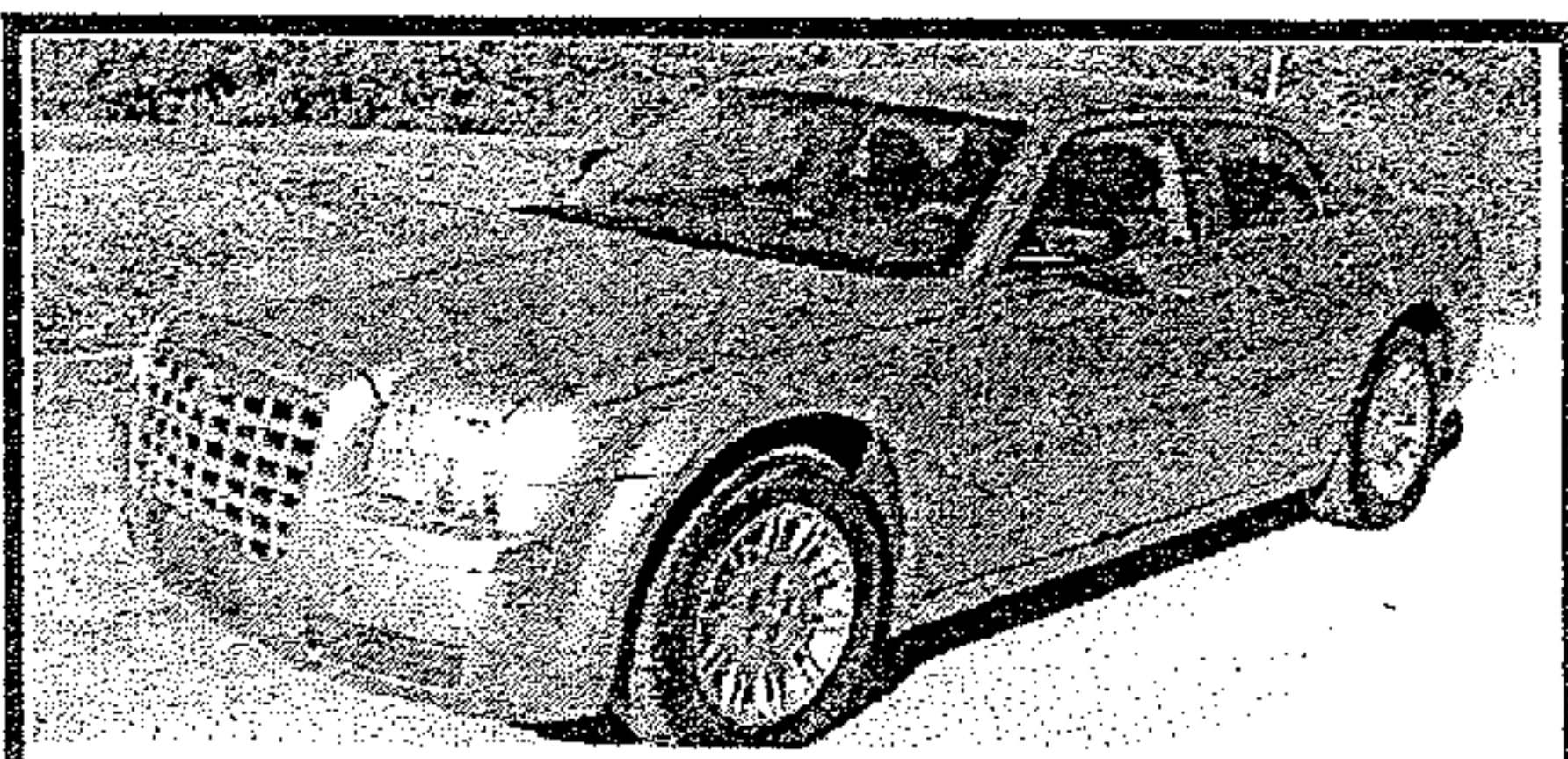
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Reckless

Jonathan Reed, 26, County Road Lenoir City, was charged with DUI.

Deputy Jamie Ketner LCSO, was advised of a reckless driver on I-75 SB passing the 76 MM. The caller stated that there was a Silver Hyundai Sonata speeding up, slowing down and swerving from lane to lane. The caller did give the Tennessee registration and stated that the back bumper had damage. Deputy made contact with that vehicle at the 72 MM. Deputy observed the vehicle cross the fog line and center line several times.

vehicle and identified the driver as Jonathan M. Reed. Mr. Reed did have an odor of alcoholic beverage coming from his person and watery bloodshot eyes.

Mr. Reed stated that he had drank alcohol around 08:00 pm on 11-17-16 in Knoxville. Deputy demonstrated the S.F.S.T. for Mr. Reed and he stated that he understood. Mr. Reed did perform poorly on the task. Deputy placed Mr. Reed under arrest for D.U.I. Deputy did a vehicle inventory of his vehicle and there was one 1.75 liter of Seagram 7 that was almost empty in the pas-

senger floorboard and one flask in the center console that had liquor in it.

Deputy read Mr. Reed the Tennessee Implied Consent Advisement and he agreed to the Intox EC/Er-II Mr. Reed did blow a .091 g/210L once we got to the jail.

These above actions did occur in Loudon County, Tn.

Haslam

2011, Gerregano has helped oversee various departmental functions, including the audit division, enforcement and taxpayer services. Since starting with the department in 1997 as tax counsel, he has held multiple legal and legislative positions such as administrative hear-

ing officer, general counsel and assistant commissioner.

“David is a true public servant that has spent nearly two decades with the state and knows the Department of Revenue inside and out,” Haslam said. “He has been a part of major departmental initiatives since the start of this administration that have improved services and benefitted Tennessee taxpayers, and he will help continue the good work being done at the department.”

Gerregano received his J.D. from Vanderbilt University School of Law in 1995 and clerked for the Chancery Court of Rutherford County until 1997 before joining the Department of Revenue as tax counsel. He ultimately became assistant commissioner in 2010 and then deputy commissioner in 2011.

Since becoming deputy commissioner, Gerregano has been a leader in developing

tax policy and making tax guidance readily available to the public through the publication of revenue rulings and other online resources. Gerregano has also been instrumental in updating the department’s systems in order to improve services to Tennesseans.

“Each day I have the privilege of working with the dedicated professionals in the Department of Revenue,” Gerregano said. “I am incredibly honored that Governor Haslam has given me the opportunity to serve in this new role at the department.”

Gerregano grew up in Gainesboro and received his bachelor’s degree from Vanderbilt University in 1992. He lives in Nashville with his wife Sohnia, daughter Olivia and son Daniel.

- See more at: <http://tn.gov/news/46922#sthash.z5ee2G7c.dpuf>

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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 imme-

diately 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 ask-

ing 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.

Police beat

Ricardo Fernandez, 23, Seed Tick Road Philadelphia, was charged with Driving on Revoked/Suspended License.

Deputy K. Palmer LCSO, observed a 1996 black GMC pickup traveling North on Steekee Street. Deputy observed the driver did not have his seatbelt on. Deputy stopped the vehicle at Dominos Mulberry Street. Deputy made contact with the driver Mr. Ricardo Almanza Fernandez. Mr. Fernandez stated that he was wearing his seatbelt he just had it under his arm. Deputy advised Mr. Fernandez that if he was wearing it like that he was wearing it improperly. Deputy asked Mr. Fernandez for his license, registration, and insur-

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Ricardo Fernandez
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LCSO

Charles Clark, 33, Lou Goddard Road Greenback, was charged with Criminal Impersonation, Driving on Revoked/Suspended License, and Assisting Other Agency.

Deputy Jamie Ketter LCSO, ran Tennessee registration the registration came back expired on a 2006 Ford Fusion. Deputy stopped the vehicle in the area of Steekee Rd. and New Macedonia. The driver stated that his name was James Clark it was later de-

termined that his name was Charles K. Clark. Dispatched advised Deputy that Mr. Clark had a suspended license and had warrants out of Blount County for Child Support and Forgery. Mr. Clark was arrested without incident and transported to the Loudon County Jail.

These above actions did occur on a public roadway in Loudon County, Tn. Sgt. Bowen and Officer Yates was also on scene to assist.

Problems

were also noted in last year's report, but the problems had not been corrected.

Pickett County has also had multiple repeat findings over the last several years, which indicates an inability or unwillingness to correct significant concerns that may impact how the government is handling

taxpayer money.

The Comptroller's Office recommends the county adopt a centralized system of accounting, budgeting, and purchasing instead of handling these processes separately within county departments. The Comptroller believes this is a best practice to improve financial accountability and the quality of services provided to citizens.

"I am disappointed that Pickett County continues to be plagued by unacceptable audits," said Comptroller Justin P. Wilson. "We've seen the same problems continue across numerous county departments year after year. Audit findings are not always easy to correct, but there is no excuse for these issues to linger for years. I believe it's time for the county to seriously consider centralizing its accounting functions."

To view the audit online, go to: <http://www.comptroller.tn.gov/la/>

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ance. Mr. Fernandez stated that he didn't have a license that he thought it was revoked. Deputy ran Mr. Fernandez ID though dispatch at which time they advised it was suspended

for accumulation of points. Dispatch also advised he had prior driving without a license and financial responsibility.


Mr. Fernandez was placed under arrest for driving on suspended. Mr. Fernandez was also cited for seatbelt law, and financial responsibility. The vehicle was released from the scene to a licensed driver. This did occur in Loudon County TN.

Tax Law Changes Mean Refund Delays Will Affect Millions of Holiday Shoppers

(NewsUSA) - For many gift buyers, the tax refund is that extra paycheck that arrives just in time to pay off holiday bills. However this year, new provisions under the PATH - Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes - Act will impact early tax season refund timing. For tax returns that include the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and/or the Additional Child Tax Credit (ACTC), the IRS will issue your refund no earlier than February 15, 2017. Last year, over 26 million Americans received EITC, meaning this change could surprise many who typically plan to get their refund early in the year. Jackson Hewitt Tax Service is responding with a way to help hardworking Americans bridge the gap and get access to money. Taxpayers may prequalify for an Express Refund Advance, a no fee, 0 percent APR loan offered by Metabank available when clients file their taxes with Jackson Hewitt. Those interested should visit www.ExpressRefundAdvance.com, answer a few simple questions, and within minutes see if they prequalify for up to \$1300. There's no

credit check, and visitors may prequalify with a refund as low as \$500."We are committed to helping our clients get early access to money," said David Prokupek, Jackson Hewitt CEO. "With expected refund delays this year Express Refund Advance is important for millions of hard-working Americans." Starting December 15 when Jackson Hewitt offices begin to open, clients may get started using their last paystub, and receive between \$200 and \$400. The loan is automatically repaid when clients receive their tax refund from the IRS. Jackson Hewitt kiosks located inside of more than 3,000 Walmart stores will also offer Express Refund Advance, and will open beginning December 27. To learn more or to make an appointment with a tax pro, visit www.JacksonHewitt.com. The Express Refund Advance is a tax-related refund loan provided by MetaBank; it is not the actual tax refund. Available for a limited time and in participating locations. The amount of the advance will be deducted from tax refunds and reduce the amount that is paid directly to the taxpayer. Tax returns may be filed electronically without applying for this loan. Availability is subject to satisfaction of identity verification, eligibility criteria, application, approval, underwriting standards, and other terms and conditions. Only \$200-\$400 is available with a paystub (or other acceptable pre-year-end income verification), and remaining amounts are available with a W-2 and upon filing tax return with the IRS. IRS delays may affect the delivery timing of loan proceeds. Disbursement rules apply. Funds loaded onto a card within an hour and direct deposit the next business day. Ask tax pro for details.

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