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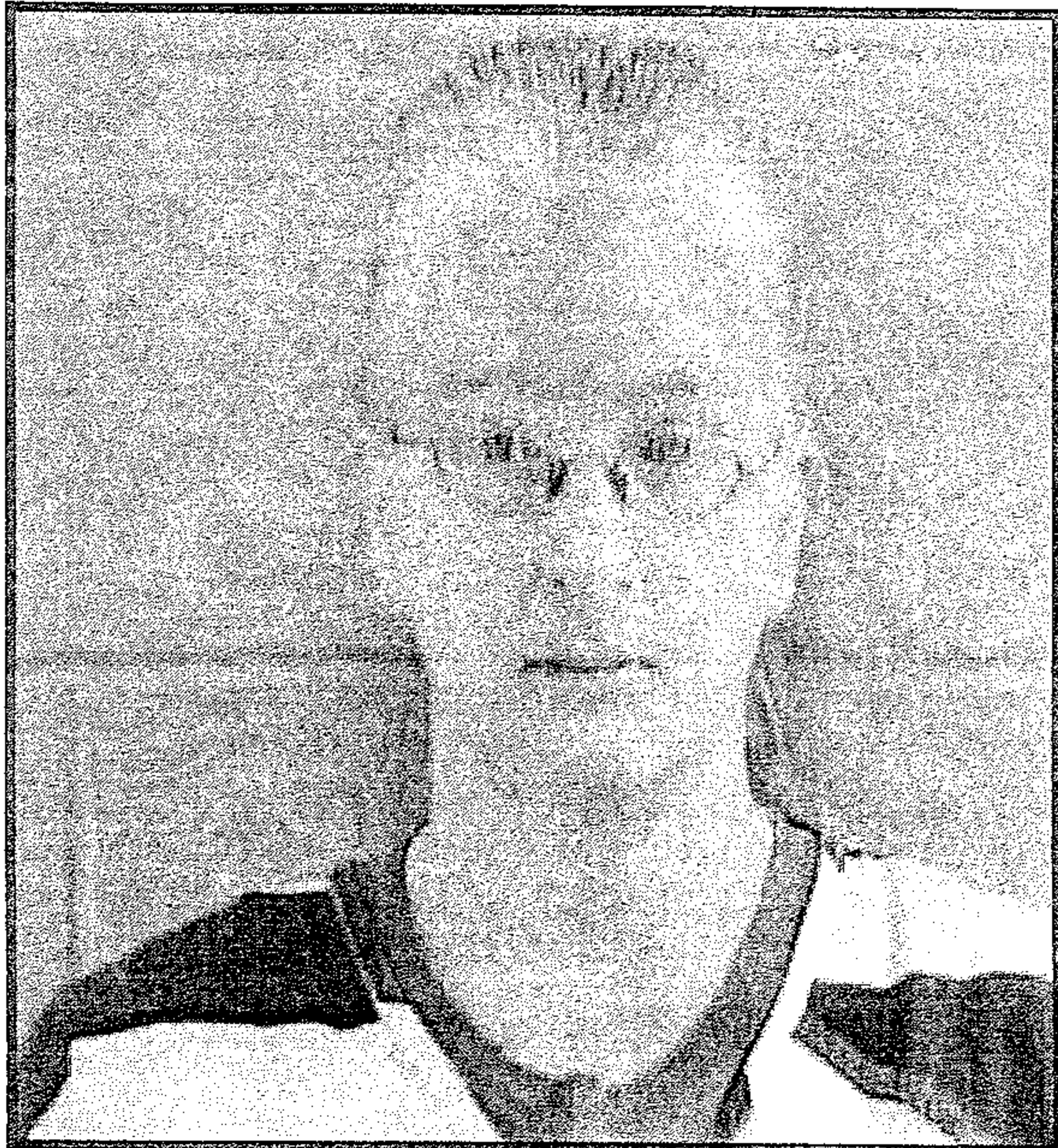
Wednesday, March 30, 2016

Theft charges follows call while victim is in jail

Dusti Cothran, 42, Big Sandy Road Philadelphia, was charged with Theft of Property.

Deputy Fritts LCSO, was dispatched to Big Sandy road on a Theft call. Upon arrival Deputy meet with victim who stated a male had been taking things from her sister residence while she was in jail. There were visual markings of tire tracks and drag marks in the grass leading from Big

(see theft pg. 2)



Dusti Cothran

Identity Theft and more after LCPD investigation



Melissa Lowe

(see LCPD pg. 5)

Ride given: assault ensues: charges placed



Latashia Long

(see assault pg. 3)

International Cyber Crime

Iranians Charged with Hacking U.S. Financial Sector

Seven Iranians working on behalf of the Iranian government have been indicted for a series of cyber crimes that cost U.S. financial institutions tens of millions of dollars and compromised critical controls of a New York dam.

Using botnets and other malicious computer code, the individuals—employed by two Iran-based computer companies sponsored and directed by the Iranian government—engaged in a systematic campaign of distrib-

(see Cyber pg. 7)

Dickson Nursing Home Received Overpayments from Medicaid Program

An audit of the Dickson Healthcare Center in Dickson, Tennessee reveals the nursing home submitted several improper expenses and provided inaccurate information on its 2013 Medicaid cost report. These errors resulted in overpayments made to the facility by the Medicaid program totaling \$186,162.91.

(see Medicaid pg. 4)

Verse of the Day

So the law was put in charge to lead us to Christ that we might be justified by faith. — Galatians 3:24

Obituaries

see inside

Wazzup

It's great to see everything is well at Scaleworks in LC. Keep up the good work!

Weather

Today: Sunshine and some clouds. High around 75F.
Tonight: Partly cloudy dur-

ing the evening followed by cloudy skies overnight. Low 58F.

Thursday Rain. Thunderstorms possible...mainly in the afternoon. Potential for severe thunderstorms. High near 75F.
Thursday Night Thunderstorms. Potential for severe thunderstorms. Low 59F.

Horoscopes

Aries 3/21-4/19

You're itching to rush out of the starting gate, but circumstances delay your progress until you put a concrete plan into place. Thankfully, you can deftly

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theft
Sandy road to another address on Big Sandy where the male resides at. Found in the male yard was a big screen TV that had been taken from complainant sister residence. Upon running a vin through NCIC on a Nissan truck the vehicle was found to be stolen. Also confirmed to be

stolen through NCIC were a John Deer Lawn Mower and A Four wheeler. A female on scene who was identified was ran through NCIC and did have a hit out of Knox County. The Knox County warrant was for theft.

Ms. Cothran was transported to the Loudon County jail and a hold placed by Knox

County. A warrant was issued for Dusti Cothran. On 3/23/16 Dusti Cothran turned herself in at the Loudon County Jail, where Deputy Cheryl West LCSO, placed Dusti Cothran under arrest.

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assault

Latashia Long, 29, Community Drive Madisonville, was charged with Assault. On 1/11/2015, Latashia and her boyfriend had gotten a ride from the victim to Cory

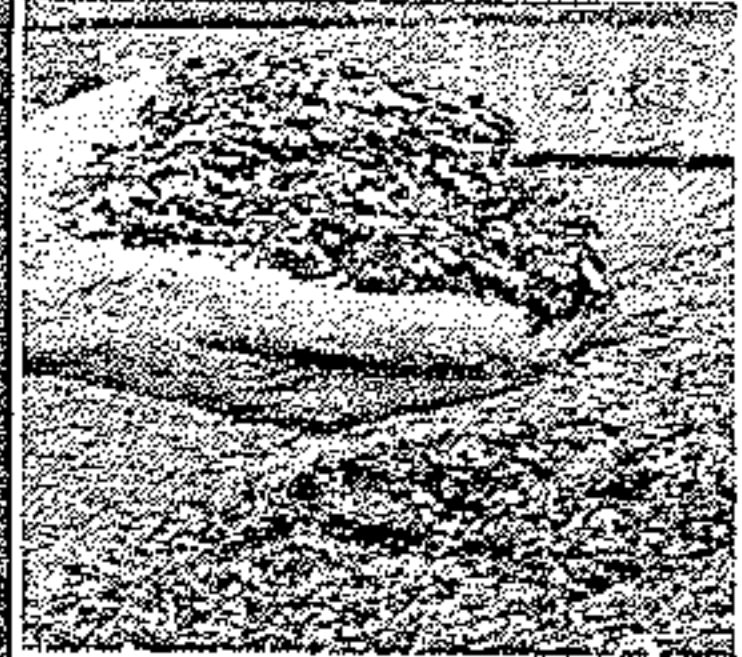
Drive.

While seated inside victim vehicle the victim ask Latashia to repay the money she owed her. Latashia became angry and struck victim in the head, face, arm, and torso with a closed fist which caused swelling and moderate to severe bruising on victims body.

Latashia fled the scene victim was treated at Sweetwater Hospital and released with diagnosis of a closed head injury, or mild concussion. A warrant was issued. On 3/23/16

Officer Tim Holloway LCPD, arrested Latashia at the Monroe Co. Jail and transported her to Loudon Jail.

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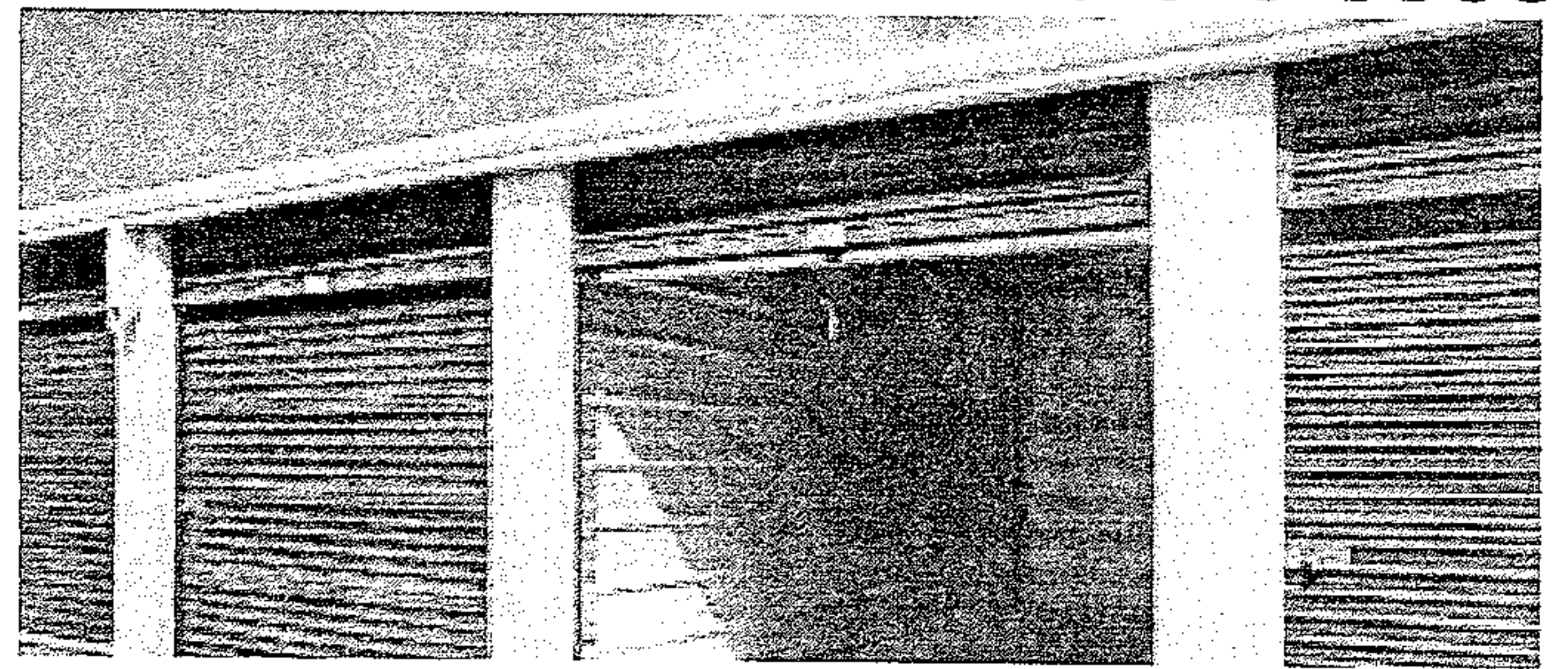
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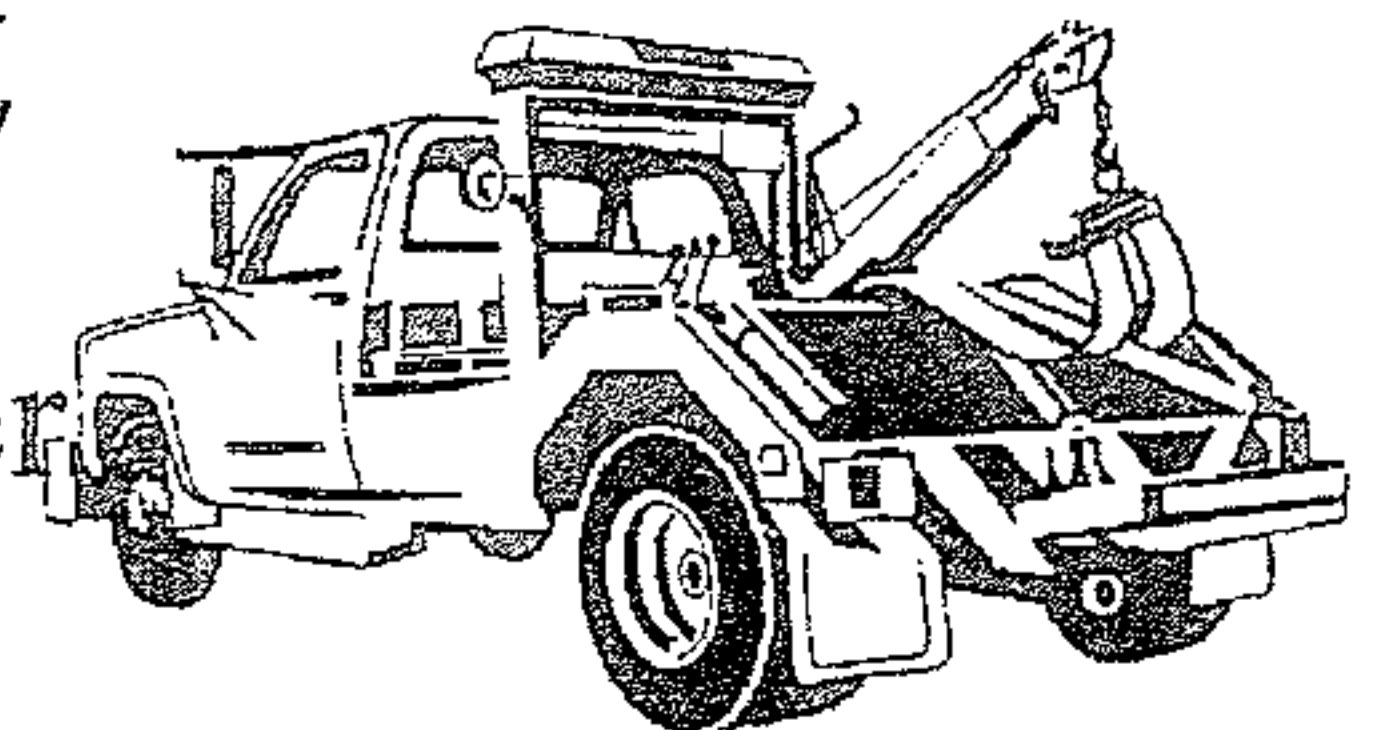
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Medicaid

Comptroller auditors discovered Dickson Healthcare Center, which is also known as Dickson Health and Rehab, included several expenses on its cost report that are not allowable for computing the facility's reimbursement rate. Additionally, the nursing home inaccurately reported the number of resident days and gross charges.

Auditors also revealed that Dickson Healthcare Center improperly billed the Medicaid Program for 69 hospital and therapeutic leave days when the facility was operating below the required 85% occupancy level.

The facility should refund \$186,162.91 to the State of Tennessee.

Auditors also found that 35 residents were inappropriately charged \$2,070 for shampooing hair. These expenses should have been covered by Medicaid.

Dickson Healthcare Center also failed to pay 26 residents their required personal needs allowances of \$50 in full each month, resulting in a total of \$5,483.32 in unpaid personal allowances.

"Our audit report includes several recommendations to help ensure both taxpayers and residents are protected from inaccurate charges," said Comptroller Justin P. Wilson. "I'm pleased to note that Dickson Healthcare Center is taking steps to address the issues we've identified."

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

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GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER DINNER AND AUCTION

The Good Shepherd Center of Monroe County will hold its annual fund raising Dinner and Auction on April 2, 2016.

The location will be at the Tellico West Conference Center, 121 Grand Vista, Vonnore TN 37885.

The silent auction will begin at 5:30 PM and the catered dinner will be at 6:30 PM.

Entertainment will be the dynamic singing duo known as Vocal Point.

Tickets are \$40 each, of which 20 dollars is income tax deductible. For those who wish to support the Good Shepherd but are unable to attend this function, there are Feed a Family tickets available, also \$40 each.

Tickets may be purchased at The Good Shepherd Center, The Monroe County Chamber of Commerce, the Kahite Club House and individual Good Shepherd volunteers.

The Good Shepherd Center is a 501©3 organization.

Some of the things The Good Shepherd Center provides are food to over 2,100 men, women and children every month, personal care items as requested, clothing to each person per household, miscellaneous items each month, transportation via ETHRA for medical appointments, emergency housing for fire victims, layette sets for newborn babies and utility vouchers.

The Good Shepherd Center is supported financially by churches, local businesses, and individuals. Additional funds are provided through grants, auxiliary groups, Monroe County governmental agencies and fundraising events such as this Dinner/Auction event.

**Public Notice
Notice of Meetings:**

Loudon County Budget Committee meeting schedule:

The following meetings will begin at 4:30 at the Courthouse Annex:

- Monday, April 4th
- Monday, May 2nd

The following meetings will begin at 4:30 PM at the County Office Building:

- Wednesday, March 30th
- Thursday, March 31st
- Tuesday, April 5th
- Monday, April 11th
- Wednesday, April 13th
- Thursday, April 14th
- Wednesday, April 20th
- Thursday, April 21st
- Monday, April 25th
- Wednesday, April 27th
- Thursday, April 28th
- Wednesday, May 4th
- Thursday, May 5th
- Monday, May 9th
- Wednesday, May 11th
- Thursday, May 12th

The regular April and May monthly meetings will proceed as previously scheduled, on Monday April 18th and Monday May 16th, 4:00 PM at the County Office Building.

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LCPD

Melissa Lowe, 45, County Road Athens, was charged with Identity Theft, Driving on Revoked/Suspended License, and Worthless Check.

On 3/8/16 victim, reported that someone had fraudulently obtained a Discover card using his identity. Victim received a bill \$2,271.54 from

Discover. He reported that he does not have an account with them. Through the course of the investigation, Capt. Kevin Condee interviewed an employee of Lenoir City Ford, a business where two charges were made with his signature on the receipts. The employee stated that victims roommate, Melissa Lowe had asked him to purchase parts

for her vehicle and gave him the Discover card to pay with them. Melissa told the employee that victim was aware that she had the card and authorized her to use it.

Subsequently, M. Lowe was interviewed and admitted she had obtained the Discover card using victims information without his consent. She also admitted she had made

or authorized every purchase on the card which totaled approximately \$2,208.14 not including late fees and additional charges through Discover. This did occur in Loudon County, TN.

Obituaries

Mary Katherina (Berry) Hicks, 75, went to join the angels March 25, 2016. Preceded in death by father, George Berry; mother, Pauline Galvon;

daughter, Wanda Cline; and brothers, Charles and George Berry. Survivors; son, Bobby Moore, of Knoxville; daughter, Patricia Beets, of Knoxville; grandchildren, Dalyn James, Jamon Thigpen, Josh Gauldin, Amanda Sliger, Adam Sliger, Taylor Beets, Sarah Beets, Carissa Moore, Demi Moore and Bryann; sister and brother-in-law, Elizabeth and Ralph Best; brother and sister-in-law, Jerry and Amanda Galyon; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral service for Ms. Hicks will be 7:00 pm, Monday, Loudon Funeral Home Chapel, with Brother Jerry Galyon officiating. Graveside service Tuesday, 2:00 pm, Loudon County Memorial Gardens. Family will receive friends 5:00 - 7:00 pm, Monday, at the funeral home. Arrangements provided by Loudon Funeral Home. www.loudonfuneralhome.net

Beulah Mae Murrell, 85 of Loudon, passed away Thursday morning, March 24, 2016. She is preceded in death by parents, Lee and Helen (Johnson) Moore; sister, Martha Johnson; niece, Christie McMahan; son-in-law, Jerry McMahan and Mike Johnson. She is survived by daughters, Mary McMahan and Dicie Woody; sons Lee Murrell and James Murrell; brother, R.C. and Janice Moore and John Moore; sisters, Georgia Glass, Rose Welden and Ruth Rector; several grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews; and special friend of family, Dutch Lance. Funeral service will be 2 pm Friday, Loudon Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Gary Cook officiating. Interment following the service at Riverview Cemetery. The family will receive friends Friday, 1 pm - 2 pm. Loudon Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

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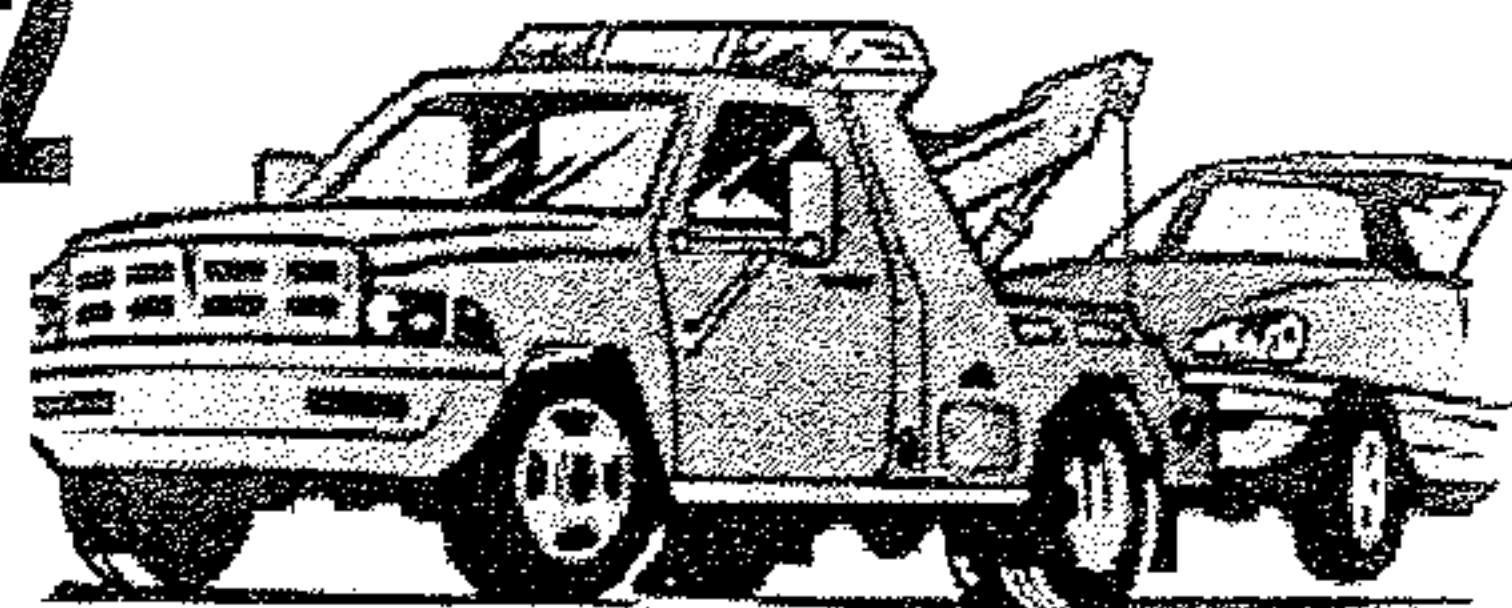
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Cyber

uted denial of service (DDoS) attacks against nearly 50 institutions in the U.S. financial sector between late 2011 and mid-2013. The repeated, coordinated attacks disabled bank websites and prevented customers from accessing their online accounts.

The indictments were unsealed today in federal court in New York City. The defendants are all believed to be in Iran, but Interpol Red Notices have been issued for their arrests and extraditions to the U.S. if they travel outside of Iran.

"The FBI will find those behind cyber intrusions and hold them accountable, wherever they are, and whoever they are," said Director

James B. Comey at a press conference today at the Department of Justice in Washington, D.C., where the charges were announced. Attorney General Loretta Lynch added, "We will continue to pursue national security cyber threats through the use of all available tools, including public criminal charges."

The DDoS attacks, which overwhelmed servers and thereby denied Internet access to legitimate users, collectively required tens of millions of dollars to mitigate. The attacks began in December 2011, and by September 2012 were occurring on nearly a weekly basis. On certain days, hundreds of thousands of customers were cut off from online access to their

bank accounts.

According to court documents, one of the hackers who helped build the botnet used in some of the attacks received credit for his computer intrusion work from the Iranian government toward completion of his mandatory military service requirement. Other defendants have claimed responsibility for hacking servers belonging to NASA and for intrusions into thousands of other servers in the U.S., the United Kingdom, and Israel.

Since the attacks, the FBI and the Department of Justice have worked with the private sector to neutralize and remediate the botnets. The Bureau also conducted extensive outreach to Internet service providers to

assist in removing the malware from affected servers. Through these efforts, more than 90 percent of the threat has been successfully eliminated.

"By calling out the individuals and nations who use cyber attacks to threaten American enterprise, as we have done in this indictment, we will change behavior," Comey said. Referring to the fact that the defendants are currently out of U.S. reach, he added, "The world is small, and our memories are long. No matter where hackers are in the world and no matter how hard they try to conceal their identities, we will find ways to pierce that shield and identify them. That is the mes-

sage of this case."

In addition to targeting the U.S. financial sector, one of the defendants repeatedly gained access to computer systems of the Bowman Dam in Rye, New York in 2013. Although the defendant never gained control of the dam, his access allowed him to learn critical information about the dam's operation, including details about gates that control water levels and flow rates. The breach underscored the potential vulnerabilities of the nation's critical infrastructure to foreign hackers and could have posed "a clear and present danger to the public health and safety of Americans," said Attorney General Lynch.

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