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Thursday, April 28, 2016

## LC man charged with aggravated sexual battery after witness observed him licking victim

A Lenoir City man was charged with aggravated sexual battery and child abuse after authorities conducted an investigation into reported abuse of a female victim.

Investigator Brad Brown, LCPD conducted the investigation and reported a witness reported the man was licking the victim and asking sexual questions.

(see aggravated pg. 2)



Jorge Lopez

## Department of Justice designates April 24-30, 2016 as National Reentry week in support of its smart on crime initiative

The United States Attorney's Office in the Eastern District of Tennessee is smart on crime, and aggressive in pursuit of justice. Our office is composed of attorneys, paralegals, legal assistants and support staff who are dedicated to the mission of the Department of Justice. In 2013, the U.S. Department of Justice launched a comprehensive review of the criminal justice system to ensure that fed-

(see Reentry Week pg. 5)

## Violent Home Invasion

### Case Illustrates Threat Posed by Gangs

Violent gangs pose a significant threat to communities throughout the United States. You don't have to live in South Central Los Angeles or Chicago's inner city to feel the impact of gang violence, as a recent case from Washington state illustrates.

(see invasion pg. 4)

## LCSO traffic stop yields robbery charge and more



Jeremiah Ballew

(see LCSO pg. 5)

## Indicted for burglary and theft



Gary Manuel

(see capias pg. 3)

### Verse of the Day

Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his

worshippers must worship in spirit and in truth. — John 4:23-24

### Obituaries

see inside  
**Wazzup**

It's looking like a Bingo weekend along

the yard sale trail in Kentucky! Don't Drive The Interstate either!

### Weather

Today: Thunderstorms in the morning, then skies turning partly cloudy late. A few storms may be se-

vere. High 84F. Tonight: A mostly clear sky. Low 58F. Friday: Sunny, along with a few afternoon clouds. High 87F. Friday Night Partly cloudy skies during the  
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aggravated

Jorge Lopez, 38, North K Street Lenoir City, was charged with Aggravated Sexual Battery, and Child Abuse or Neglect.

According to the report, Jorge Lopez, did have unlawful sexual contact with the juvenile victim. Witness observed Jorge licking the

victim's abdomen then lick up her side where Jorge began licking the victim again and asked who his little sexy princess was, and who's are these?

After an investigation was conducted, Investigator Brad Brown LCPD, made the arrest.

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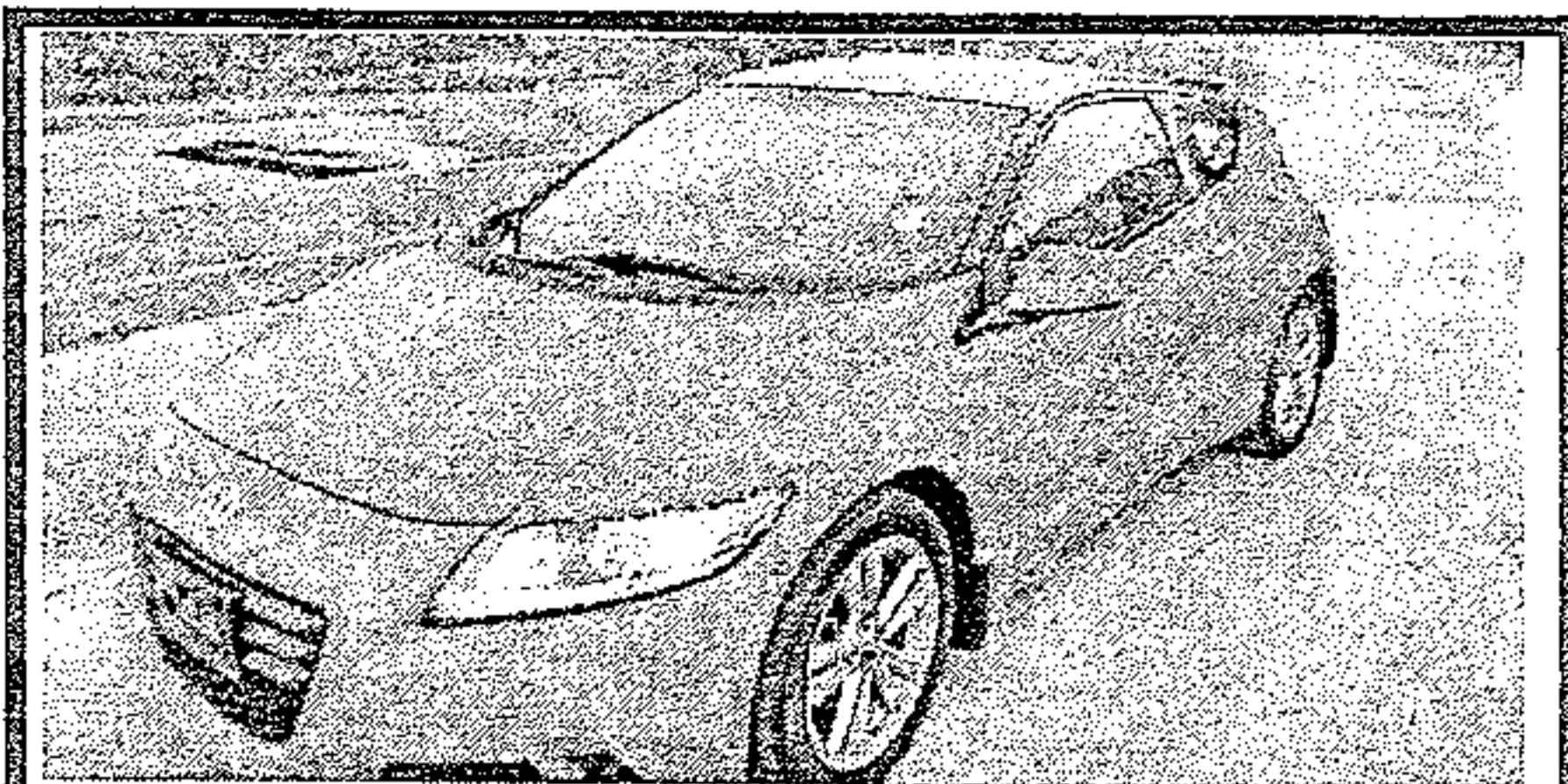
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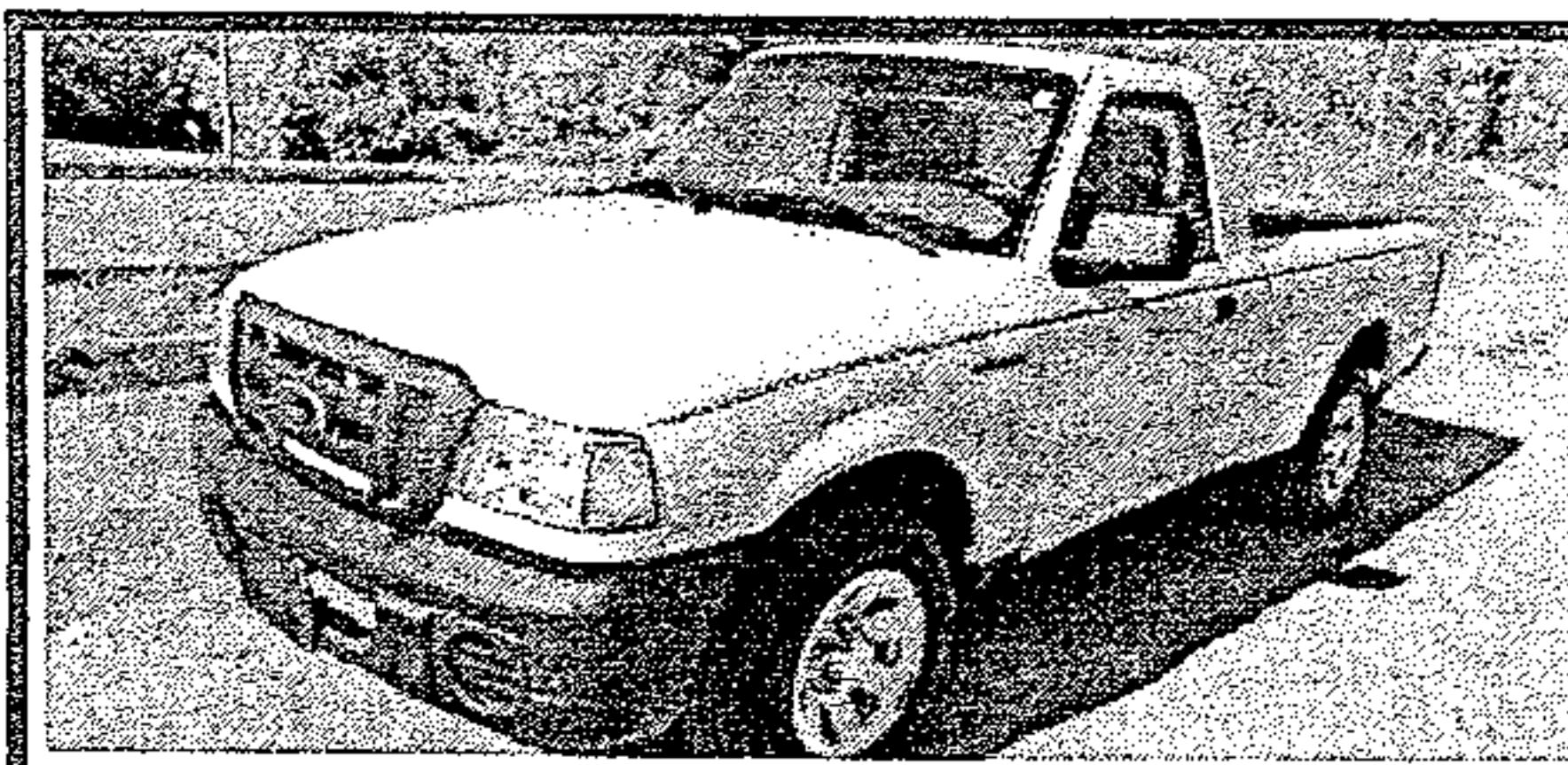
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**capias**

Gary Manuel, 33, Henry Avenue Knoxville, was charged with Criminal Court Capias( Burglary, Theft of Property). Deputy Brandon

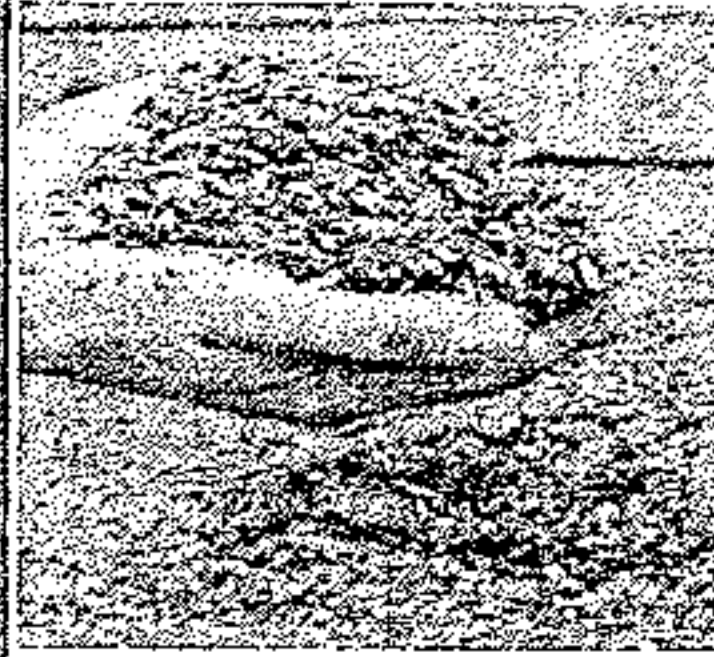
Dishner LCSO, served Gary with a Criminal Court Capias Warrant at the Loudon Co. Jail.

**Obituaries**


Charlotte Curtis, of Loudon, passed away Sunday, April 24, 2016. Preceded in death by parents, Ivan and Harriette (Roberts) Worley, Sr.; and sister, Loraine Kyle. Survivors: brother, Ivan Worley, Jr. and wife, Regina ; brother-in-law, Lester Kyle; nephew, Brian Kyle; and several cousins. Funeral service 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, Loudon Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Mike Arp officiating. Graveside service 10:00 a.m. Thursday, Loudon County Memorial

Gardens, with Gary Cook the funeral service. Loudon officiating. Family will receive friends 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, prior to loudonfuneralhome.net

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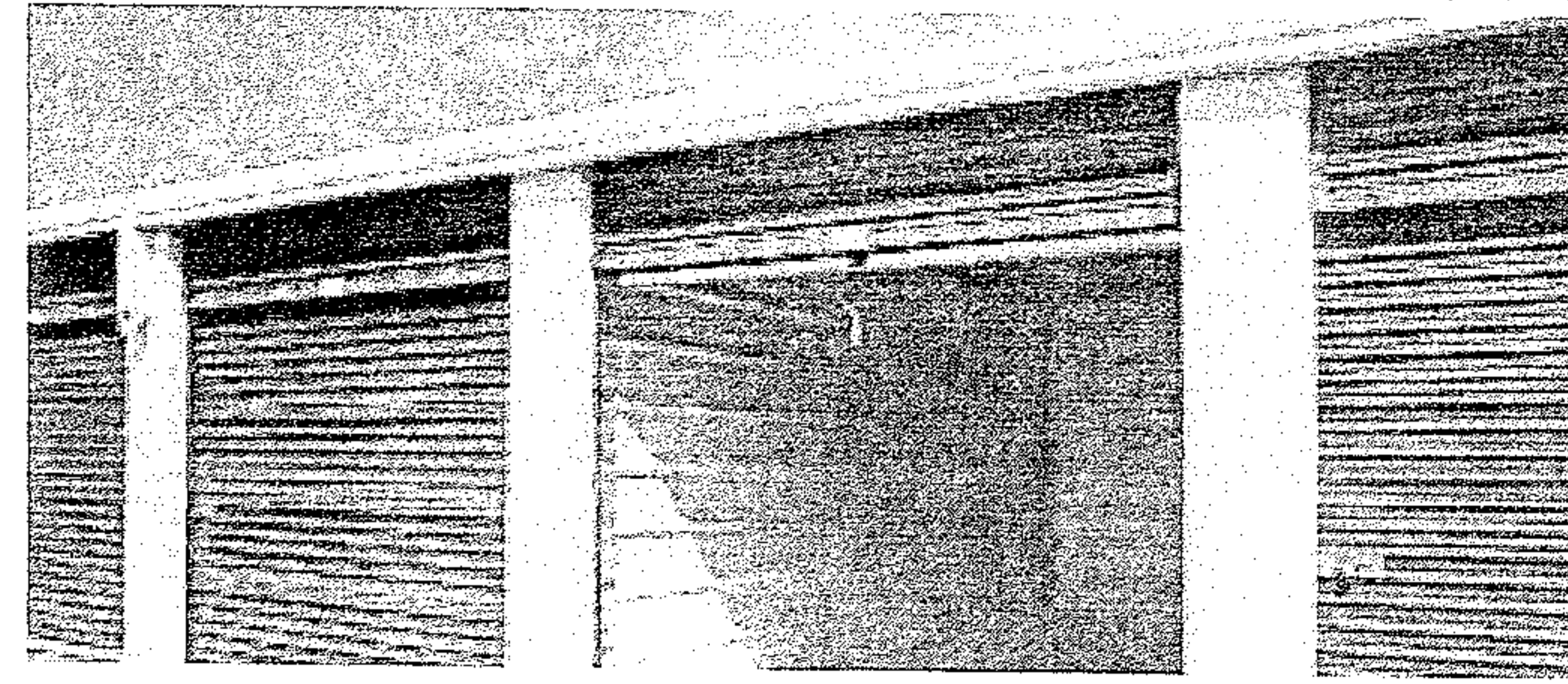


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**invasion**

On a Tuesday evening in November 2014, three teenagers from Seattle's Down with the Crew Gang—a violent affiliate of the Black Gangster Disciples gang—set out from Seattle for a 50-mile drive south to the community of Lakewood. Their intention was to rob a large-scale drug house they had received information about.

Around 9:30 p.m., a 66-year-old Lakewood man answered a knock at his door and was confronted by the three youths, who forced their way into the home. The gang members had picked the wrong house, but that didn't matter to

them. What happened next was 20 minutes of terror for an innocent couple.

The gang members pistol-whipped the man until he was unconscious, tied his hands, and placed a blanket over him. They broke down a bathroom door and dragged out his 61-year-old wife, stabbed her, tied her hands, and placed her under the blanket with her husband, who was bleeding severely.

"They brutalized the couple," said Special Agent Kelly Smith, who supervises the South Sound Gang Task Force—one of more than 160 FBI-led Safe Streets task forces nationwide—which

handled the investigation out of the Bureau's Seattle Division. "The level of violence and complete disregard for human life was astounding in this case," he added.

That disregard for life became even more apparent as the home invasion continued. The robbers were in and out of the house carrying stolen items to their car when the husband regained consciousness. He was able to free himself and his wife, and with all three assailants temporarily outside, he locked the front door and the couple retreated to their bedroom, where he called 911 and retrieved his handgun.

The robbers forced their way back inside, firing a gunshot through the front door. Then they kicked down the locked bedroom door where the couple had barricaded themselves behind their bed. Confronted again by the attackers, the

man fired two shots, hitting 19-year-old Tajon Vorhees both times.

At that point, all three robbers fled and drove away. And the two uninjured gang members—Duprea Wilson and Qiuordai Taylor, ages 19 and 17, respectively—decided to help themselves rather than their wounded friend.

"They didn't want anything to do with taking him to a hospital," said Jeff Martin, a Lakewood Police Department detective assigned to the South Sound Gang Task Force. "They drove around until he was unconscious, then dumped his body and left him to die. They basically pushed him right out of the car."

The wounded teen did, in fact, die. The two other subjects were apprehended within 72 hours of the crime. At trial in February 2015, the two surviving defendants faced 11 state felony charges. One of

the charges was manslaughter—for allowing their friend to die without seeking medical attention.

In March 2016 a jury found Wilson and Taylor guilty on all counts, and later that month a judge sentenced them each to 56 years in prison.

Smith, who has supervised the task force since 2012, credits his local, state, and federal partners, along with experienced Pierce County Prosecutor's Office attorneys, with bringing the case to a successful conclusion.

As for the victims, Martin said they have mostly recovered from their physical injuries, but there are still emotional issues to contend with. "There are definitely lasting effects from the attack," he said, "maybe effects that will last the rest of their lives."

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*Meeting Notice*

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Jeremiah Ballew, 33, Yarnell Road Knoxville, was charged with Poss. of Drug Para., Tampering/Fabricating with Evidence, Robbery, and Theft of Property. Deputy Robbie Lane LCSO, observed a blue vehicle turn onto Hwy 321 with no tail light on the passenger side.

Deputy conducted a traffic stop and ran the tag. Dispatch advised Deputy that the tag was reported stolen out of Knoxville. Deputy made contact with the driver Jeremiah Ballew. Jeremiah advised he had just purchased the vehicle from a family member. Jeremiah stated that he bought it from a Darrell but was unsure of his

last name. Jeremiah was ask to step out of the vehicle, when Deputy observed Jeremiah put something in his mouth. Deputy told Jeremiah to open his mouth and he observed a orange substance. Deputy ask Jeremiah what he had taken, he stated Suboxone. Jeremiah was placed under arrest. A search of the vehicle revealed 2

syringes and a metal spoon with residue. Jeremiah was found to have an active Robbery Warrant out of Loudon Co. Deputy Robbie Lane LCSO, made the arrest.

Reentry Week

eral law is administered fairly, equitably, and effectively. We were directed to target the most serious offenses, prosecute the most

dangerous criminals, direct assistance to crime 'hot spots,' and pursue new ways to promote public safety, deterrence, efficiency, and fairness. This initiative from former Attorney General Holder came to be known as Smart on Crime.

We knew we had excelled for many years at these tasks, but we saw the challenge of finding new ways to look at deterrence, efficiency and fairness. We were also challenged to facilitate the successful reentry of former offenders, who have paid their debt to society through incarceration.

In 2015, the U.S. Attorney's Office developed its Smart on Crime Initiative by devoting a fulltime Assistant U.S. Attorney, Brooklyn Sawyers, to coordinate the initiative across East Tennessee. Our initiative includes a crime prevention program in which the U.S. Attorney's Office provides a live presentation about positive living and choices and consequences to juvenile offenders in Knox County Juvenile Court and the Richard Bean Juvenile Detention Center. One goal of the prevention program is to dismantle the proverbial school-to-prison pipeline in East Tennessee. The initiative also includes rigorous prosecution of criminals who violate federal law and whose bad acts will likely only be curtailed through a federal prison sentence.

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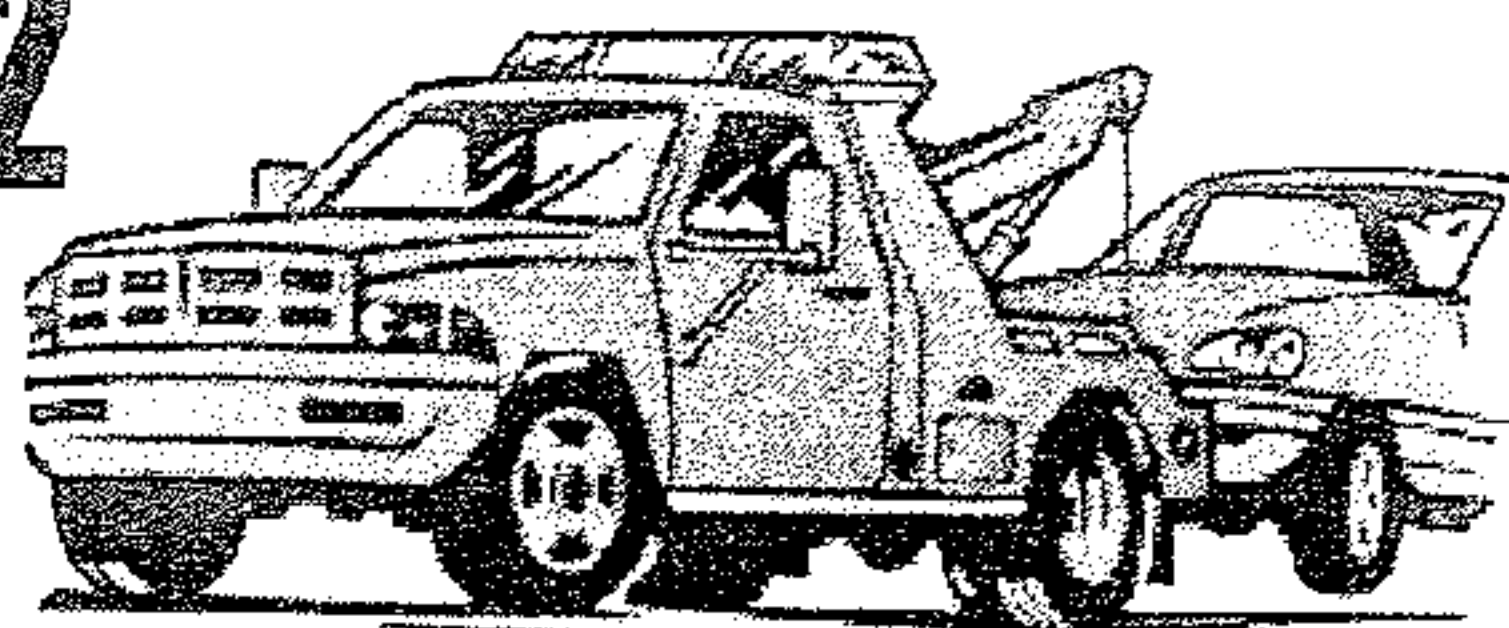
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Our closest to the pin contest will take place at hole #17 and feature a three tier contribution program; Silver = \$20, Gold = \$50, and Platinum = \$100 family donation. All participants will receive a sleeve of golf balls, golf accessories, a one year subscription to Golf Digest and other gifts. And they will be eligible to win a \$250 travel voucher, rounds of golf, a \$100 Callaway on-line gift certificate, plus other prizes in the closest to the pin contest. Sil-

ver participants will have one shot at the pin; Gold participants will have two shots at the pin and have their names entered in a drawing for a \$250 travel voucher, dining gift certificates, free golf lessons, paintings by local artists, and other prizes. Platinum sponsors (two \$50 donations from one family) will receive an extra chance in the prize drawing - three total chances and four shots at the pin. We will also have a hole-in-one contest - the first person making a hole-in-one will win a 6-day golf vacation for two to Bay Hill Resort in Orlando (125 yard minimum distance - first shot only, as part of a full round of golf).

While the prizes are nice, more importantly

you will be contributing to a very worthwhile cause and fighting a disease that has affected a number of Rarity Bay residents.

To participate, please show up at hole #17 on May 1st between 9 AM and 4 PM; we may stay open after 4 PM if we have sufficient numbers of players on the course. You do not need to play a round of golf. If you cannot participate or are not a golfer, we encourage you to make a contribution and designate someone to hit for you.

Designated hitters will be limited to a maximum of 8 total shots. Since this is an amateur competition, professional players are not eligible to be designated hitters. If you need help finding

a designated hitter, please contact one of the committee members listed below. Ladies and men are invited to participate. Limit of one prize per entry in each contest. Rain date will be Saturday 5/13/2015.

Contributions can be made now; please make your check payable to "Prostate Cancer Foundation", put "Rarity Bay" in the memo field, and give it to one of the committee members listed below. Checks can also be left in the Rarity Bay Pro Shop or mailed to the Treasurer: Bob Cepek, 150 Cormorant Dr. Vonore, TN 37885. If you would like your Golf Digest subscription as a renewal, please email your subscription number and address to Jim Wiese

prior to the event. This will simplify the sign-up process at the tee.

If you have any questions please contact a member of the committee or call Jim Wiese at wiesejames@gmail.com or 615-604-5688. Thank you for your ongoing support of this very worthwhile cause.

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