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HEY MAN! HEY! OFFICER! HEY You Wanna Get High?

Just when you thought you had heard it all a teenager comes along and proves you wrong.

This teenager decided to hit up a Loudon Police Officer for the purpose of smoking some herb, a green leafy substance believed to be, yes, you guessed it marijuana. Of course, the teen was charged.

It is suspected this guy is high



(see high pg. 2) Mark Stevens

Warrior 1

by Kendra McCarter



On July 14th the Loudon County Republican Party held its annual Bluegrass and BBQ Lincoln/Reagan Day Picnic at "The Barn", owned by Jim Purdy and managed

by Larry Jameson. The special guest this year was Governor Bill Haslam, as well as Senator McNally, Representative Matlock & Representative Calfee. The weather

didn't stop everyone from having a great time and enjoying BBQ catered by Sons of Smoke. While Gov. Haslam may have been the special guest this

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The Good News

by Rev. Dr. Julius McCarter

Reading: Luke 10:25-37

Fear and hate are strong motivators – we humans can talk ourselves into any action when we're afraid or angry. That fear and hate have found their

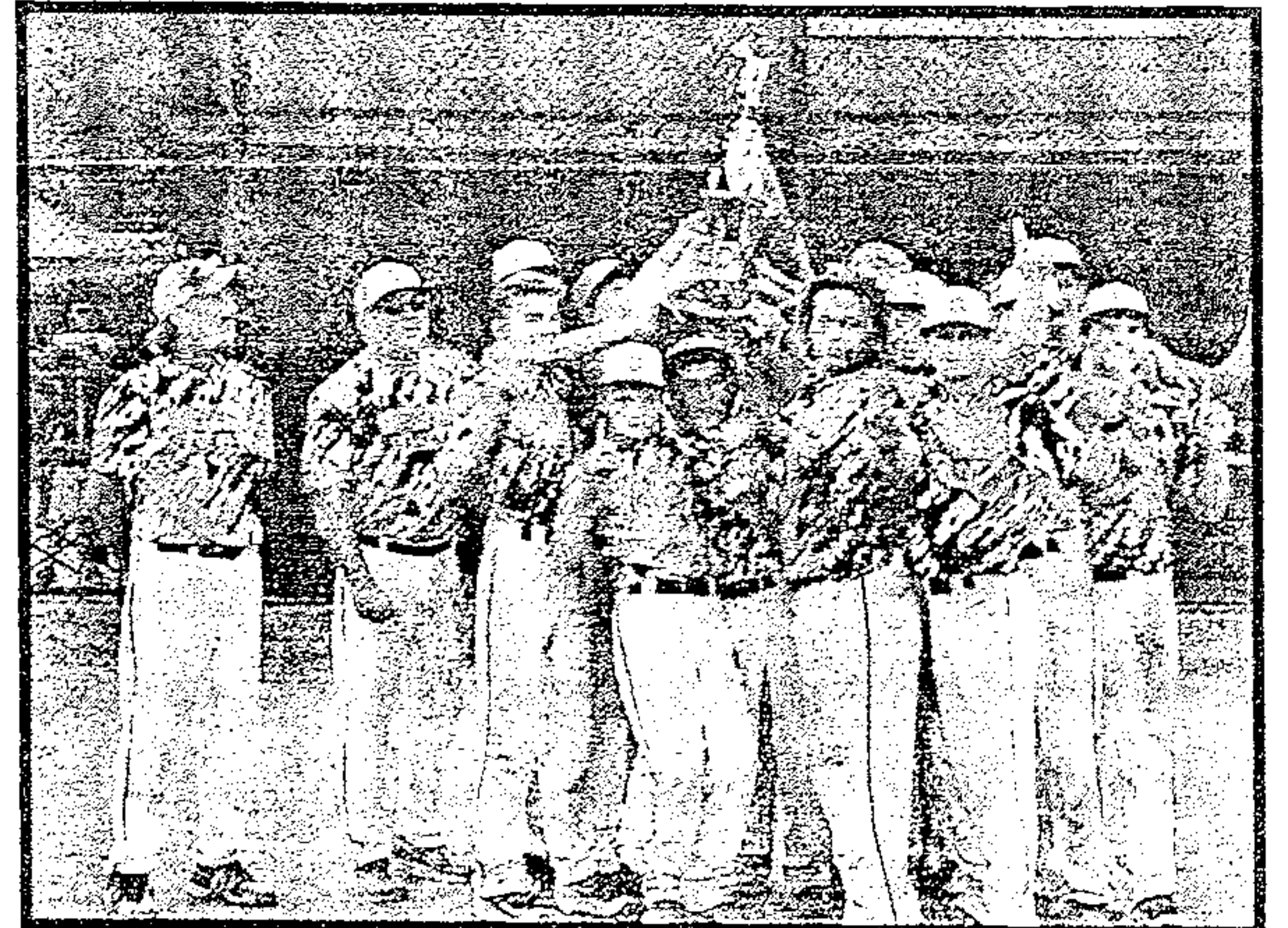
way into the national conversation during this election cycle.

In today's reading, the priest and the Levite, both people of faith, know the doctrines about God but

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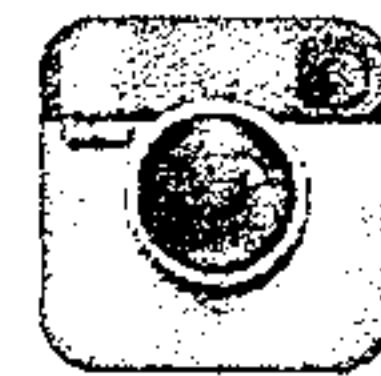
Greenback Dixie Boys 15u baseball team headed to the World Series

by Kendra McCarter



The Greenback Dixie Boys 15u baseball team holds their trophy after the victory that will send them to the World Series

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Verse of the Day

[After Jesus had raised the son of the widow from Nain:] They were all filled with awe and praised God. "A great prophet has appeared among us," they said. "God has come to help his people." — Luke 7:16

Obituaries

see inside **Wazzup**

Congratulations Chris Edwards on making Day 3 of the WSOP in Vegas! Looking forward to seeing you in Cherokee in August!

Weather

Today: Intervals of clouds and sunshine in the morning with more clouds for later in the day. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible. High 91F. Tonight: Partly cloudy

skies. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible. Low 71F.

Tuesday Partly cloudy skies in the morning will give way to cloudy skies during the afternoon. A stray shower or thunder-

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high

Mark Stevens, 19, Homeless, was charged with Possession of Marijuana, and Poss. of Drug Para. Officer Sam Harrison LPD advised Officer Anthony Akins LPD that he was checking on a white male identified as Mark Stevens. Officer Akins arrived on scene and spoke with Officer Harrison and

Stevens.

After gathering information, it was determined that Stevens was walking away from the Jiffy screaming loudly at himself because he stated he was upset with himself and life. Stevens approached Officer Harrison and handed him a small bag that contained a green leafy substance, believed to be

marijuana, and ask Officer Harrison if he wanted to get high with him. Stevens was placed under arrest and transported to the Loudon Jail. Officer Anthony Akins LPD, made the arrest.

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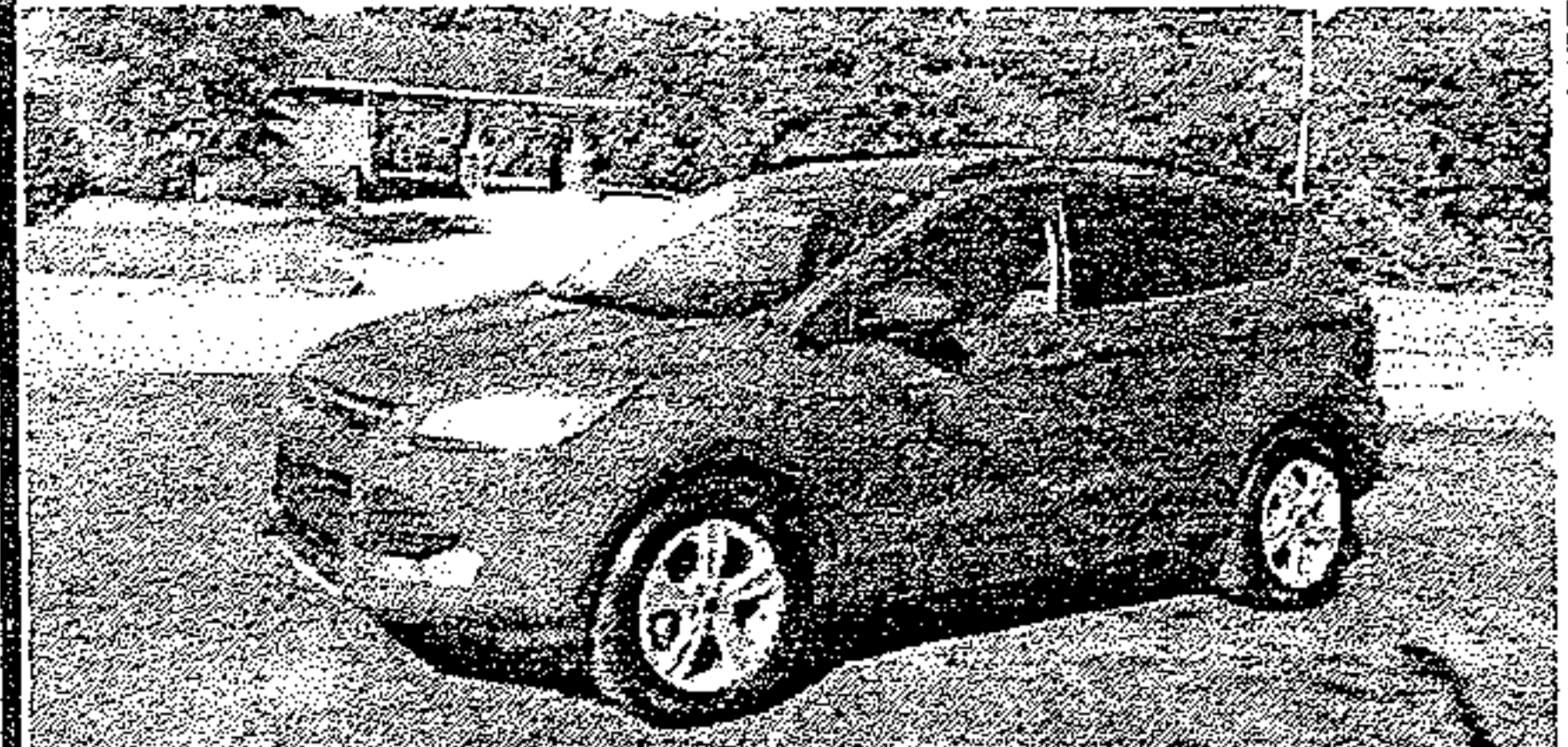


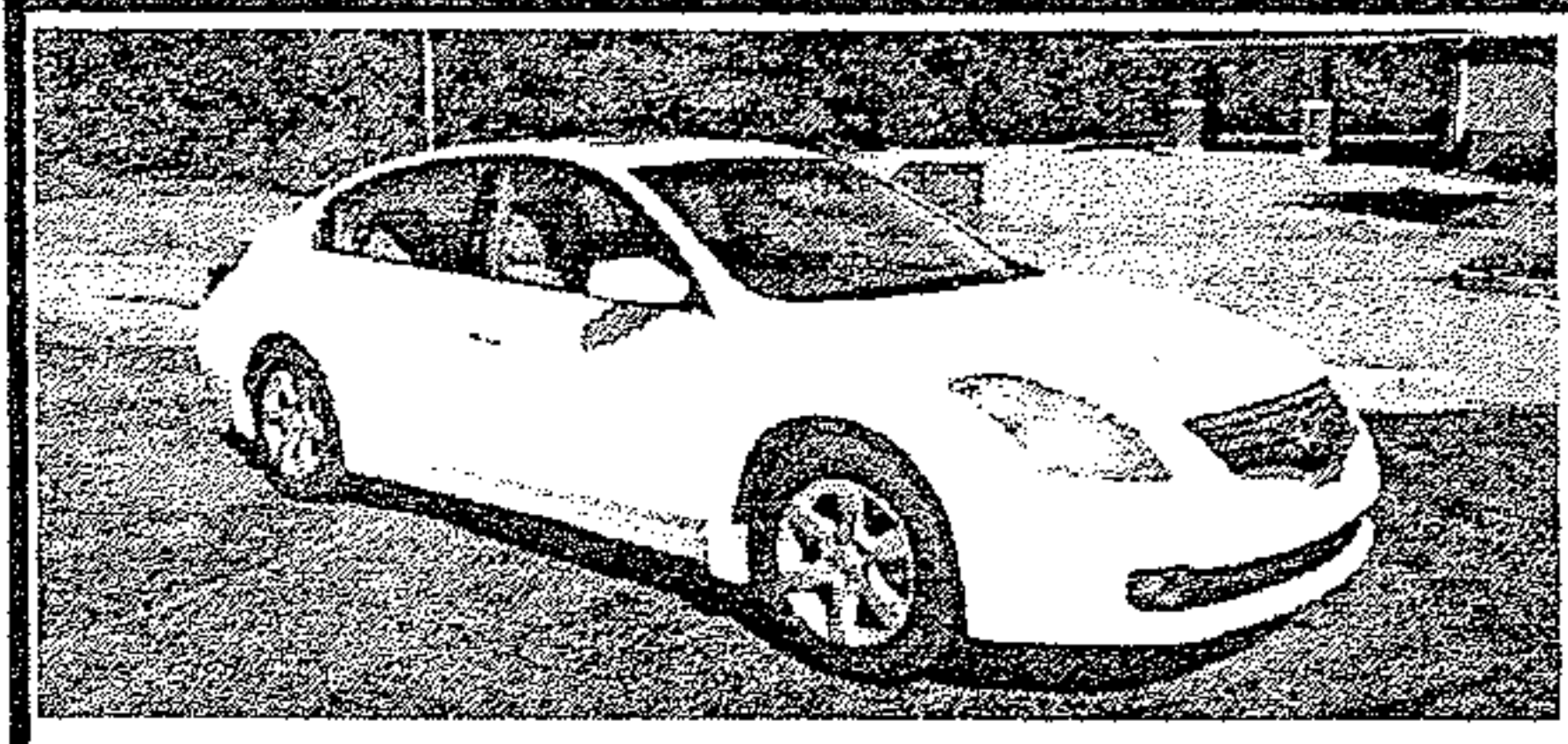

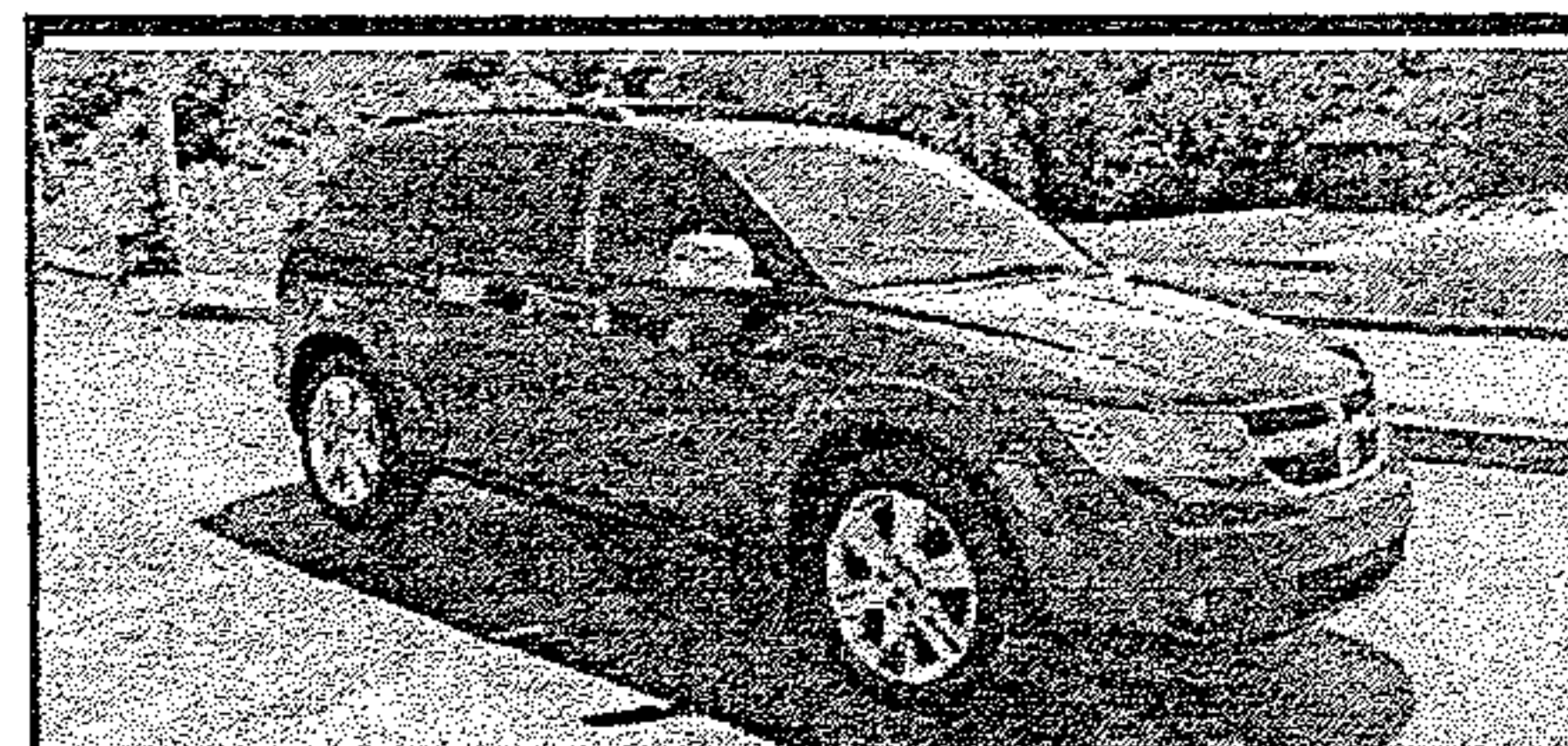


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fail to do the will of God. The hated Samaritan, the outsider who isn't considered one who knows God at all, does what is loving and right. He does what the Priest and Levite could have done but didn't - attend to the wounds of the victim, bringing him to the inn for care and paying for the expenses. When Jesus tells this story to the lawyer who is trying to tame or restrict God's law, it is not lost on him. He ends up answering Jesus' substitute question: "How are we going to be neighbors to anyone in need?"

That, I think, is God's question to Christians today: How are we going to be neighbors

to anyone in need?

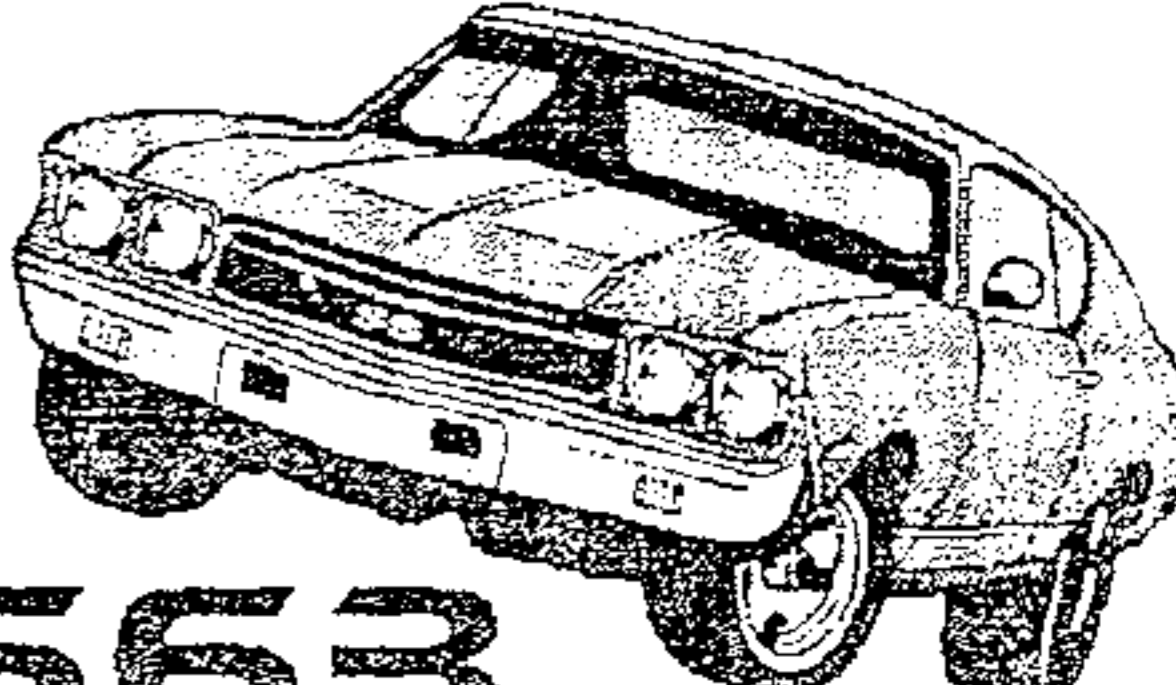
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Warrior 1

year, there was also another special guest that was hard to miss, and the guests couldn't help but notice. In fact, this guest was the center of attraction for all the picture-takers. Called Warrior 1 and

Warrior 2, it is a new truck ensemble that has been on the road and getting all sorts of attention nationwide.

I spoke to Doug Surret and Larry Jameson about Warrior 1 and Warrior 2. "We decided that in honor of our wounded warriors, we

would like to build a truck in honor of their sacrifice and contribution. We got in touch with a firm in Alabama and had them design it. We participated in the design, chose some features, added and of course took some away. Basically, we had them come up with a design we approved of, and then they installed it", Doug Surret said. Warrior 1 features several differ-

ent patriotic symbols, as well as representation of all the branches of the Armed Forces, stars & stripes, tanks and soldiers.

Larry Jameson told us, "It's actual unit number on its registration is Warrior 1 for the truck and Warrior 2 for the trailer. The truck was delivered, and then dedicated Memorial Day weekend at the gathering at the courthouse. It is

no different than any other truck; it works every week. It goes to special events such as parades locally, and nationwide. It's next stop for an event is in Illinois. We hope that once people see it and hear about it, it will be invited to a lot more places." The driver, Charlie Burchfield, has been driving for over 40, and he is the "kind of guy" that they see Warrior 1 ctd. pg. 5



above - Governor Bill Haslam addresses the crowd and below he stops to share a photo with our own Commission Kelly Littleton Brewster



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Warrior 1 ctd. from pg. 4
 want driving a truck like this.

So far, Warrior 1 has been to Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and as far as the eastern portion of Texas. Charlie says it gets a lot of attention on the road. He has seen people stopped in traffic to taking pictures. He also gets a lot of requests for

people to take pictures of him with the truck. It is no doubt that with the design on the truck and the bright colors, it would be hard to miss in a crowd. "In Loudon, I feel like we have always been military appreciative and this is one of the ways we wanted to show it, and this is where we are with it today," said Surret.

Arrest at Inn of Lenoir following search by police



Amanda Wells

Amanda Andora Wells, 28, of Riggs Chapel Road, Harriman, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, contraband in a penal institution along with outstanding warrants from other agencies.

Agents with the 9th Drug Task Force were conducting a narcotics investigation at the

Inn of Lenoir in Lenoir City, TN. During the investigation Agent April Farmer made contact with Amanda Wells in a Room. Agent did have prior knowledge that Ms. Wells had an active Community Correction violation warrant out of Roane County, Tn. While running Ms. Wells name and date of birth for warrants she did come back with the warrant out of Roane County. Ms. Wells was placed under arrest for the warrant. While Agents conducting a consensual search of the room in a backpack that Ms. Wells stated was her's Agent's located a spoon with residue an open box of plastic baggies and a set of scales all of which are sanonymous with narcotics activity. Ms. Wells stated that the items located in the backpack belonged to her. Ms. Wells was transported to the Loudon County jail where she was again searched at which time Deputy West located a plastic bag in Ms. Wells underwear containing an off white colored substance that field tested positive for the presence of Methamphetamine and weighed approximately 3.6 grams. These actions happened in Loudon County, Tn. Agent April Farmer 9th DTF, made the arrest.

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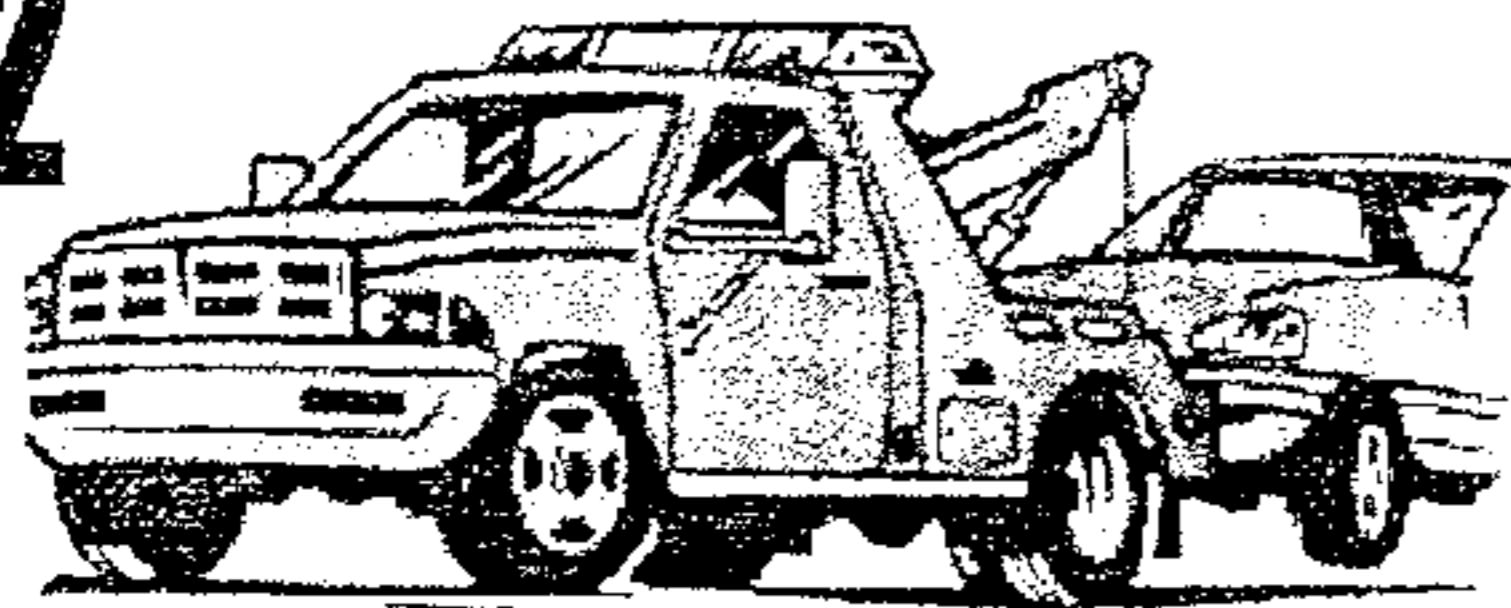
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The Greenback Dixie Boys 15u baseball team has had an amazing year!

I spoke to Head Coach Hunter Ryan and he said, "There was a lot of skepticism entering the season whether or not this was 'the team'. Majority of the kids on our team have been playing together with the end goal of winning a state championship for our community, something that has never been done in the city of Greenback. The 21 kids on our roster were split into 2 teams at the beginning of the season. Both teams had a combined regular season record of 20-2. Our coaching staff then collectively chose what we felt like were the best 13 players who could represent our city, and hopefully win that

first state championship in baseball for our community".

While the initial skepticism may have been in the minds of those who began the season, when it was all said and done, spirits were high. The team had a 20-2 record, and was not headed into the state tournament.

Coach Ryan's team did not disappoint when it came time for them to play in the state tournament, either. He gave us a full play by play on the tournament that landed his boys a trip to the World Series. "Our kids were definitely put to the test during the tournament. The first day, we played 2 ball games and had to dig deep to get our first 2 wins. It took a walk off hit in the bottom of the 7th inning in the first game, and hard fought extra innings to

win in the second. We won the first game 6-5 and the second game 7-4. The second day of the tournament we won our third straight game 12-8 to remain as the only undefeated team entering the championship day. We lost the first game of the day to a very good Greenbrier team 12-2. We then won our second game 10-4 to qualify to play in the state championship game. We concluded the tournament by beating the same team that had run ruled us that very morning 12-6. Four of our 5 wins during the state tournament were in fact, comeback wins. This is truly a special group of guys who have shown a lot of heart and resilience to win a state championship in baseball for our great community."

The parents know,

too, just how special this year's team has been. After 10 years of hard work, the team's story has the possibility of a storybook ending. They're heading to the World Series in Ozark, Alabama. And they're not just representing Greenback and Loudon County. They're representing the entire state!

The tournament will be held from July 21-24th. And the team needs our local support and prayers.

The team, coach staff, and parents have had just over a week to come up with \$7,000.00 for their expenses after winning the state championship. The team held a fundraiser on Saturday in Greenback to help offset the expenses, but there's still more to be raised. One parent had asked other newspapers to cover their

story to help them, only to be told it would cost them \$250-\$300 for the story; with the expenses they were facing, that would have been impossible. The Daily Edition asked what the team needed, one of the parents told us they would appreciate gift cards that can be used in Alabama at places like McDonalds, as well as cash. They will be accepting donations until Tuesday, July 19th, and the parents are planning to have a send off parade for the boys on Wednesday as they leave for Alabama.

For more information on helping the team text or call: Hunter Ryan at (865)-323-2038; Shelley Ryan at (865)-323-2752; or Beth Belcher at (865) 297-8659.

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