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Violent Bank Robber Sentenced to 37 years; local/federal law enforcement partnerships work

A March 2015 attempted robbery at this bank in Humboldt, Tennessee resulted in the shooting of a bank manager. A joint law enforcement investigation resulted in a lengthy prison term for the perpetrator.

It was every bank employee's worst nightmare — being threatened at gunpoint

by an individual demanding entrance to a bank vault. The employee in this instance, who was one of the bank's managers, told the man she was unable to open it, so he shot her and fled.

The violent and brazen attempted bank robbery took place early in the morning on March 18, 2015 in

the small Tennessee town of Humboldt, located approximately 90 miles northeast of Memphis. The perpetrator, Dominic Williams, was apprehended and charged with the crime—and as a result of the joint investigation by the Humboldt Police Department (HPD) and the Memphis FBI Field

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Maury County Audit Outlines Accounting and Payroll Problems

The Tennessee Comptroller has released Maury County's annual audit which details several serious problems within the county's Office of Accounts and Budget and School Department.

The fiscal year 2016 audit report contains nine audit findings, which is up from seven findings the year before. Audit findings describe significant weaknesses, deficiencies and noncompli-

ance with government standards within the county government.

One of the findings outlines the numerous factors which resulted in a breakdown of Maury County Schools' payroll process. These errors caused school department employees to receive late or inaccurate payroll checks.

Other failures by the School Department's finance office resulted in several school em-

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Greeneville resident sentenced to 127 months on crack cocaine conspiracy charges

On Mar. 6, 2017, Fitzroy Turner, 35, of Greeneville, Tenn., was sentenced by the Honorable J. Ronnie Greer, U.S. District Court Judge, to serve 127 months in federal prison following a conviction for his leadership role in a conspiracy to distribute large quantities of cocaine base "crack" in the Eastern

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Meth needles and a pipe found



April Bivens

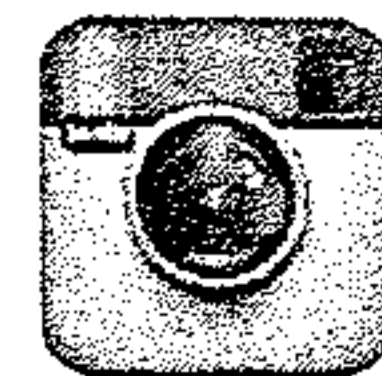
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Victim found bleeding after argument; one charged



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Joshua Dixon



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Verse of the Day

If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. — John 14:23

Obituaries

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It was discovered that most of the area from Lenoir City to K-town was outta medium thin crust pizza's at Domi-

no's. No protests were reported. Those in Loudon did celebrate indoors as they were able to receive the coveted crust.

Weather

Today: A mainly sunny

sky. High around 70F. Tonight: Clear skies early. Increasing clouds with thunderstorms developing later at night. Low 51F.

Friday Rain showers

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Prison

Office, he was sentenced last month to 37 years in federal prison.

In the early morning hours of that March day, the bank manager left her house and walked to the carport to get to her car. Williams, who

had been hiding in front of her vehicle, stood up and, pointing the gun at the manager, asked if “she wanted to die today.” He forced her into the driver’s seat and demanded that she drive to her bank. Once at the bank, he had her unlock the doors—no one else was in yet—and told

her to get money from the cashiers’ drawers, but the drawers were empty at the time. He then demanded that she open the night drop vault, and when she didn’t, he simply shot her through the chest and ran off.

The victim, who had played dead after she was shot, was able to call 911 and give a detailed description of her attacker—she also calmly kept pressure on her wounds while awaiting help. And ar-

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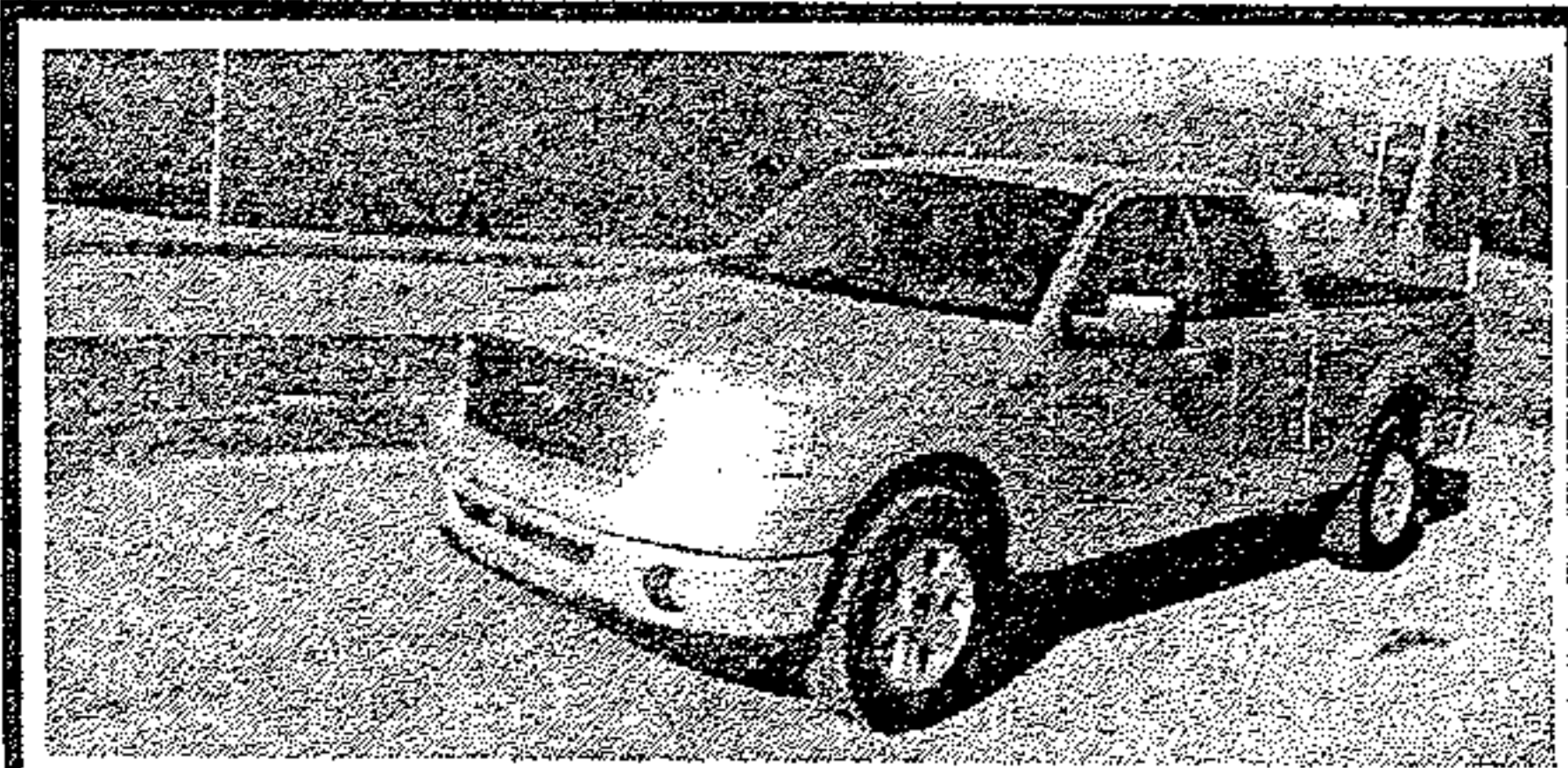
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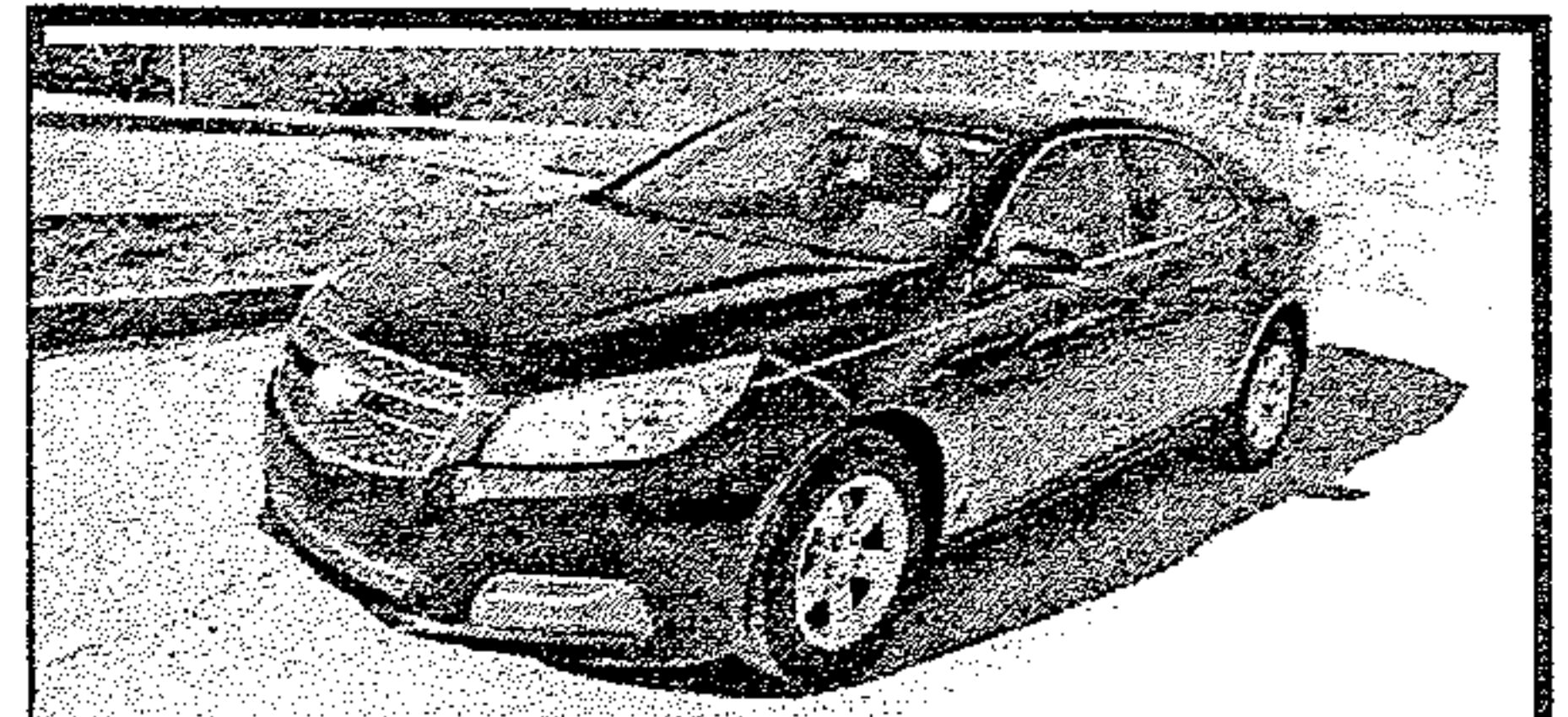
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Assault

Joshua Dixon, 25, Martin Street, Noita, was charged with Domestic Assault.

Deputy Charlie Huskin LCSO, was driving through Thompson Street, and was flagged down by victim. The victim stated she had gotten into an altercation with Joshua Dixon and he assaulted her by throwing her to the ground and injuring her leg and elbow. Deputy did see injuries to victim arm and it was bleeding, she refused EMS. Contact was made

with Joshua who stated they had gotten into an argument. Joshua was ask if he had been drinking he stated yes. After an investigation and 2 witnesses stated they saw the altercation Joshua was placed

under arrest.

Audit

ployees receiving a notice of cancellation from their life insurance and dental insurance providers.

Comptroller auditors also reported multiple problems with Maury's County's accounting processes. These problems included inaccurate financial statements, expenditures exceeding budgeted appropriations, and numerous inaccurate posts to the county's accounting records.

"A strong county government must excel at the fundamentals," said Comptroller Justin P. Wilson. "Accounting and payroll are two of the basic functions in managing a well-run government. This audit report deserves serious attention from county leaders and Maury County's Audit Com-

mittee."

View the full Maury County Audit Report at <http://www.comptroller.tn.gov/la/>

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iving bank employees and other witnesses notified the HPD.

Shortly after arriving on the scene, the HPD police chief saw a suspicious person about a block or so away stripping off some clothing and throwing it into a dumpster. The man was taken into custody, and the FBI was called.

HPD personnel

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 secured the crime scene, and the Memphis FBI's Evidence Response Team processed it. Members of the Violent Crime Task Force from FBI Mem-

phis' Jackson Resident Agency responded as well, interviewing the suspect and witnesses and searching the suspect's home. And fingerprints from Dominic Williams were

taken and sent to our Criminal Justice Information Services Division, where analysts linked them to prints taken from an individual by the same name who had committed

similar crimes in California as a gang member and had served time in state prison. The handgun used during a March 18, 2015 violent bank robbery in Humboldt,

Tennessee was recovered by investigators underneath leaves in an alley.

"A strong working relationship was fostered with the Humboldt Police Department that day, and it remains positive to this day." -Case agent, FBI Jackson (Tennessee) Resident Agency

All evidence was immediately recovered in or near the bank, except for the gun. The interview team was able to get the suspect to draw a map of where he discarded the gun when he fled the scene—and investigators were able to retrieve it.

Subsequent investigation revealed that Williams, who had recently relocated to Tennessee, used computers to research open source information on bank employees. He also surveilled employees, keeping track of their comings and goings to and from the bank. The bank manager he ultimately focused on lived just a short distance from the bank.

The evidence against Williams was overwhelming—including the court testimony of the woman he nearly killed—and he plead-

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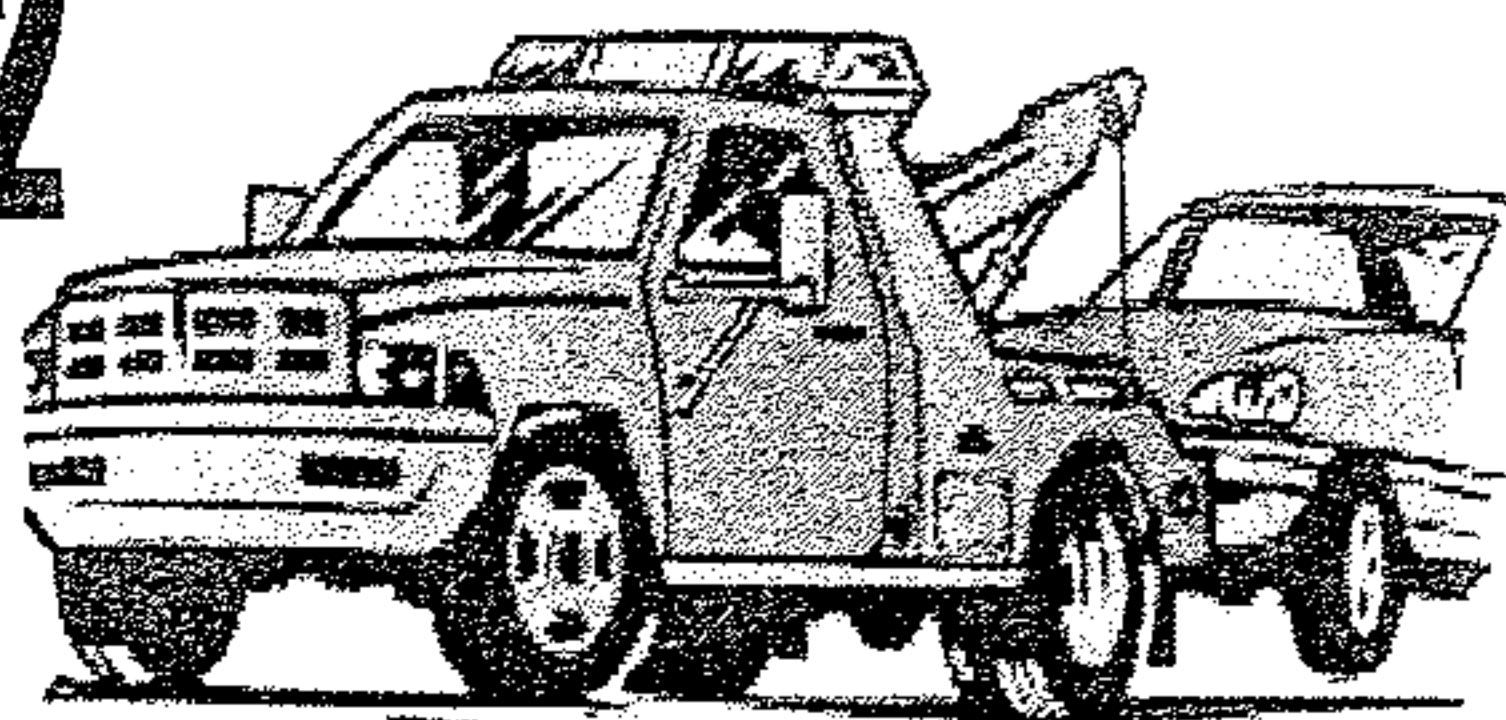
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Charged

Dana Weiland, 47, Donald Street Fl., was charged with Poss. of Drug Para., and Simple Possession. Officer Ryan Williams LPD, observed a brown vehicle sitting in the back parking lot of the Laquinta Inn. The vehicle was occupied by Dana Weiland, about an hour later Officer observed the vehicle sitting in the McDonald parking lot with Dana in the back seat jumping up and down and thrashing her body from one side to the other. Deputy made contact with Dana and she stated she was sleepy and parked there to rest. Dane showed sign of drug use and could not stop moving her arms and legs. Officer ask for consent to search

the vehicle and was granted consent. Inside Dana purse Officer located a glass like substance contained within 2 plastic bags believed to be methamphetamine, and a glass pipe and multiple syringes. Dana was placed under arrest.

DUI

ed guilty in August 2016. According to the FBI case agent from the Jackson Resident Agency, the victim "had learned that the bullet missed her vital organs by the smallest of margins, but she would later recover and continue working hard for the citizens of Humboldt."

The case agent also said that a member of the Humboldt Police

Department worked with Bureau personnel throughout the investigative process and was a crucial member of the team. He added, "A strong working relationship was fostered with the Humboldt Police Department that day, and it remains positive to this day."

This case is just one example of the many investigations conducted every day in communities across America where the FBI joins forces with its law enforcement partners to get dangerous criminals off the streets.

Crack

District of Tennessee. Following his prison sentence, he will also serve a five-year term of supervised release.

According to his plea agreement on file with

U.S. District Court, Turner admitted to participating in the sale of crack cocaine on five separate occasions between February and June 2015 to an individual cooperating with law enforcement. He admitted to being accountable for at least 2.8 kilograms but less than 8.4 kilograms of crack cocaine between October 2012 and April 2016. Turner also admitted that he maintained a residence in Greeneville during the conspiracy for the purpose of manufacturing or distributing crack cocaine.

Co-defendants Barry Moore, 40, Zachery Moore, 51, and Sophia Arwood, 31, all of Greeneville, Tenn., were previously sentenced to 210, 96, and 60 months respectively.

Law enforcement agencies participating in the investigation included the Third District Judicial Drug Task Force, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI). Assistant U.S. Attorney Wayne Taylor and former Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Corey Shipley represented the United States.

Police Beat

Gerald Stedam, 42, Cinnamon Circle Crossville, was charged with Criminal Trespass. Officer Jamie Whitt LCPD, charged Gerald with Criminal Trespass at Walmart and transported him to Loudon Jail.

Wayne Ebner, 36, Mashburn Road Sweetwater, was charged with Violation of Probation.

Joel Packard, 23, Vermont Ave Oak Ridge, was charged with Failure to Appear.

Robert Pennington, 57, Hwy 411 Madisonville, was charged with Failure to Appear.


Joshua Smith, 29, Young Ave. Knoxville, was charged with Failure to Appear.

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