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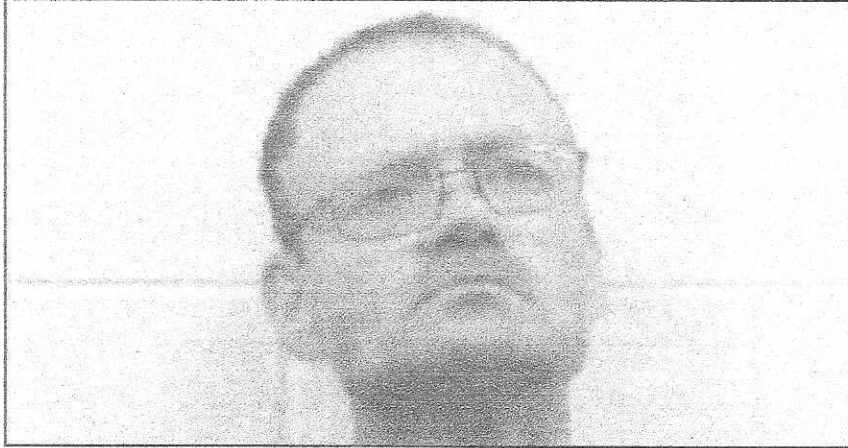
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Monday, June 24, 2024

Guess There's A Reason for an Order of Protection! Man Charged with Vandalism

Man Found in Abandoned Building on Private Property



Billy Jones

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Joshua Berry

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Teen Charged after Assisting Runaway



Jacob Wooby

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Unemployment in Tennessee Drops to a New Record Low in May

The Statewide Unemployment Rate Fell to an All-Time Low of 3%

Tennessee marked a milestone in May when the statewide unemployment rate dropped to a historic low level and set a record, according to the Department of Labor and Workforce Development (TDLWD).

The rate decreased by 0.1 of a percentage point between April and May to 3% and made history by besting any jobless

number since the Federal Government began tracking the statistic in 1976.

"Tennessee's booming economy and strategic investments in workforce development and job creation have set the standard for success nationwide," said Gov. Bill Lee. "Now, we're making history with record-low unemployment, ensuring Tennessee remains a beacon of opportunity,

security, and freedom for all."

The state's unemployment rate dipped to the previous all-time low of 3.1% in April 2024 after first reaching that record level one year earlier. The rate held steady at 3.1% for three consecutive months in 2023.

The record-setting low unemployment

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Verse of the Day

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. —Romans 6:23

Wazzup

A Petition to Allow

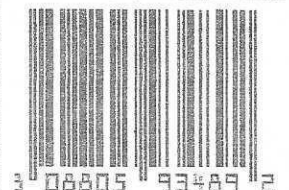
Voters of Lenoir City to Decide on Having Package Stores or Not is currently circulating. If you're for or against it sign the petition to let everyone decide!

Weather

Today: Partly cloudy. High of 90F.
Tonight: Clear. Low of 64F.
Tuesday: Sunny. High of 92F.
Tuesday night: Clear. Low 67F.

Horoscope

Gemini 5/21-6/20
Your high from your recent successes could have you wanting to go crazy purchasing luxury items you didn't feel were prac-



Vandalism

Billy Jones, 51, Yates Lane Loudon, was charged with Vandalism.

The victim reported to The Loudon County Sheriff's Office, Deputy Watson that her ex-husband, Billy Jones, had been on her property and vandalized her vehicle. The victim has an active order of protection against Mr. Jones, and she showed Deputy Watson security video of Mr. Billy Jones at her residence on 06/06/2024 at approximately 0025 hours, turning on the water hose. She was able to identify him

by his clothing and tattoos.

The victim stated she was driving her 2020 Chevrolet Silverado, on 06/06/2024, when it broke down on the roadway. She called her insurance company, Geico, and had it towed to the mechanic, Mr. Cool Collision Center & Sales . On 06/11/2024 the mechanic, called her and advised her that her gas tank was filled with what appears to be water and a white powder substance, believed to be moth balls.

Detective Kirkland went to interview Mr. Jones at Toad's Mechanical Services on Steekee Creek

Road, and he admitted to being the person on the security video and said that he did turn on the water hose, but denied putting anything in her vehicle. Mr. Jones was not able to say who vandalized her vehicle, but did say that he would pay for the ve-

hicle to be fixed. The total amount for the damages of the fuel pump, hoses, and injectors is \$4,746.81. Mr. Jones is being charged with felony vandalism \$1,000-10,000. This did occur in Loudon County Tennessee.

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Loudon County Republican Women meets the 4th Monday of July, Aug, Sep, and Oct; , at the Avalon Community Clubhouse (140 Deerfield Court; Lenoir City, TN 37772). Social time at 5:30 pm; meeting at 6:00 pm.

Further information, contact President Sandy Kennel 1-615-429-0010. Follow the Loudon County Republican Women (LCRW) on Facebook to keep up-to-date.

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Charged

Joshua Berry, 29, Truman Avenue Knoxville, was charged with Resisting Arrest, and Aggravated Criminal Trespassing.

Deputy B. McCall LCSO, responded to an abandon building located at Williams Ferry Road in reference to a trespasser. The property is privately owned real estate, posted no trespassing, and the building secured. Upon arrival the deputy located an opened door on the side of the building. Deputies D. Watson, T. Branson, and McCall begin to clear the structure to check for unauthorized persons inside. Upon clearing the main hallway the deputy heard a male talking. Deputies begin to announce law enforcement presence and give verbal commands at which time the unidentified male fled. The male ran down the hallway, entering a room on the far right end, and dove through a window busting out the glass. After a short dis-

tance outside the suspect was apprehended and detained. The male subject was identified as Joshua Allen Berry (offender). Mr. Berry sustained a laceration to his right shin, right knee, and his upper right elbow from diving through the glass window pane. Priority EMS arrived on scene to evaluate the offender at which time it was determined he would need further medical evaluation. Mr. Berry did state to me that he entered the property on the early morning of this date at approximately 4:00 A.M. Joshua Berry did willingly and unlawfully enter a privately owned secured building and caused damage to the structure. Mr. Berry was placed into custody and transported to Fort Loudon Emergency Room for treatment. Upon release from medical care Mr. Berry was transported to the Loudon County Jail without further incident. This did occur in Loudon County, TN.

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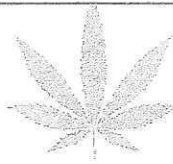
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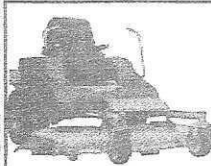
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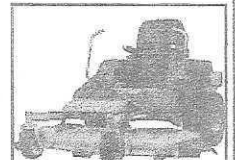
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The City of Philadelphia Mayor and Board of Aldermen will meet in a Special Called Meeting on Monday, June 24, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Philadelphia Public Library.

Items on Agenda:

- Second and Final Reading of the FY 25 Budget
- Second and Final Reading of the FY 24 Budget Amendment

Public Notice

The following vehicle will be auctioned:
2HKYF18623H601966
2003 Honda Pilot
to be auctioned at Walt Williams 3003 Highway 11W,
Lenoir City, TN 37771
The Auction will take place at 10am on July 5, 2024

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1FTDF0763VKA91934
1997 Ford F15 pickup
to be auctioned at Walt Williams 3003 Highway 11W,
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Contributing
 Jacob Wooby, 18 Poplar Springs Road Loudon, was charged with Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor. Officer M Luna LPD, was dispatched to the address of Roberson Springs Rd regarding a Juvenile problem running away from home. The victim according to mom was supposed to be taking a shower, when she realized the victim broke the window screen to run-away. Mom with victim phone was able to locate and identify who picked up the victim from her house. Jacob Woodby was the per-

son who the victim had last contact stating both running away. The victim was located at Jacob Woodby residence at Poplar Springs Rd. Woodby contribute to help the victim run away from home after her curfew. The victim is not allowed to be with Jacob according to the mother. Sheriffs Officer went to the address and made contact with Jacob and the victim, both were placed under arrest. Jacob was transported to the Loudon County Jail without incident. All of the above occurred in Loudon County TN.


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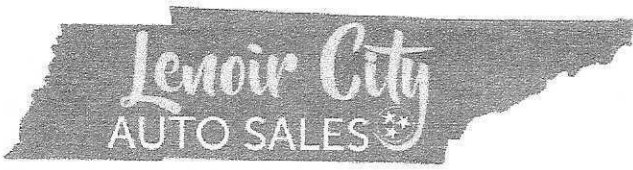


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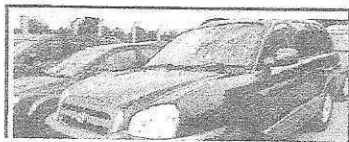


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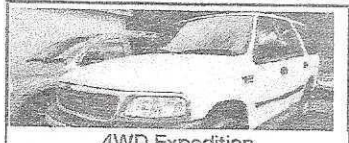
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Unemployment

was coupled with continued job growth across the state.

Tennessee employers created 3,300 new nonfarm jobs between April and May. The accommodation and food services sector was responsible for most of those new jobs. The professional, scientific, and technical services sector was the next top job creator in May, followed by the healthcare and social assistance sector.

In a year-to-year comparison, employers added 8,000 nonfarm positions to their payrolls during the last 12 months. The education and health services sector saw the biggest increase during the year, followed by the leisure and hospitality sector, and then the trade, transportation, and utilities sector.

“Our state’s robust econo-

my has created so many great job opportunities for Tennesseans looking for work or for those who want to improve their employment situation,” said TDLWD Commissioner Deniece Thomas. “Tennessee has nearly 80 American Job Centers where career specialists can work with individuals to find their best path to new employment.”

TDLWD has a complete analysis of May’s historic unemployment data available.

Nationally, the unemployment rate did not fare as well as it did in Tennessee. Across the United States, the seasonally adjusted jobless number inched up by 0.1 of a percentage point from 3.9% in April to 4% in May.

The state of Tennessee will release the unemployment data for all 95 counties on Thursday, June 27, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. CDT.

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Horoscopes

tical before, Gemini. This is fine as long as you're discriminating and don't give in to impulse buying. This also isn't a good time to overindulge in food and drink.

Cancer 6/21-7/22

Not only your own success but that of members of your household could have you on a real emotional high today, Cancer. Your mind is likely to be buzzing with possibilities for future expansion, some of which may not be all that workable. However, you should allow yourself a few flights of fancy.

Leo 7/23-8/22

Today may prove to be one of your busiest in a long time, Leo. The promise of continuing success could find you spending a lot of time on the phone, sending faxes or emails, or perhaps making a few short trips around the community. You might not be able to reach everyone you hoped to speak to, however.

Virgo 8/23-9/22

Business and financial successes have you feeling happy and satisfied, Virgo. You're also looking forward to moving ahead. The downside of this period is that people who aren't particularly trustworthy could decide to grab your coattails for their own purposes. Some might even ask for loans.

Libra 9/23-10/22

As your career dreams continue to unfold, Libra, you may find that there is a downside. First, there are new responsibilities and you might doubt your ability to fulfill them. Second, you might find yourself catapulted into the uncomfortable realm of office politics.

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

Recent spiritual breakthroughs might have you feeling both exhilarated and downcast. Your sensitive side tells you that this is a definite step forward on your spiritual path, but your logical side might cause you to doubt the reality of it. Take comfort in the fact that reality is relative, Scorpio.

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21

Many of your personal goals have either been met or are in the process of manifesting, Sagittarius. This has you feeling exhilarated. However, others around you might have their hands out. You might be asked to contribute to charities or make personal loans to people you don't really know.

Capricorn 12/22-01/19

More confirmation of career and business success could come your way today, Capricorn. You're probably feeling excited and motivated to keep pushing ahead. You might find, however, that increased responsibilities interfere with your social life and wonder if your friends have forgotten you.

Aquarius 1/20-2/18

Success on all levels is filling your life and making you feel absolutely wonderful, Aquarius. The downside of this is that you might be a little too conscientious. Are you putting in a lot of extra hours? Be discriminating about this.

Pisces 2/19-3/20

Hard work, enthusiasm, and dedication are now paying off for you financially, Pisces. New opportunities could be opening up for you to profit from your artistic talents. The downside of this is that you might be working so hard that you're too drained to be creative, even though the inspiration is there.

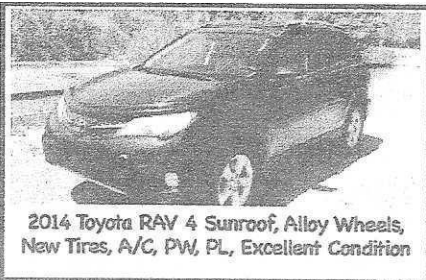
Aries 3/21-4/19

People close to you might be a bit worried about you, Aries. Too much work might have you feeling a bit less than your usual self, perhaps even a little feverish and headachy. If so, this is a good day to take some time out, stay home, and get some rest.

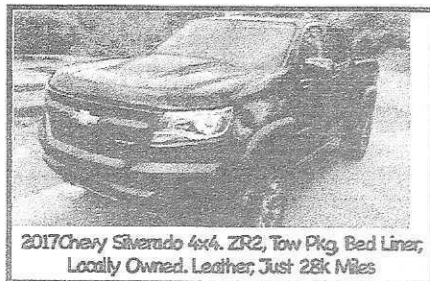
Taurus 4/20-5/20

All continues to go well personally and professionally, Taurus. You're feeling strong and vigorous, but you might find that you're a bit vague today. Your mind may not have its usual acuity, and you could be easily distracted. This isn't a good day to start new projects.

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Obituaries

Melvin E. Kersey, Jr. (Mel), 90, of the Tellico Village Community, passed away peacefully at home on June 18, 2024, of natural causes with family by his side. Born March 1, 1934, in Thomaston, Georgia, Mel was the only son of the late Jodie Mae and Melvin E. Kersey, Sr. Mel also was preceded in death by sister, Joyce Haywood, and stepson, Ben Harrell. Mel is survived by his wife of 47 years, Nelda Thomas Kersey; daughters Melanie Kersey (Paul Woo), Amy Kersey Muldowny (Steve), and son, Mel Kersey, III (Polly); stepchildren Sherri Harrell Tipton (Charles) and Jill Harrell Wheeler (Jeff); and stepdaughter-in-law, Diana Black Harrell. He leaves grandchildren Jeremy Woo, Harrison Kersey, Cole Rogoski, Oscar Kersey, and Freya Kersey, and stepgrandchildren Maggie Gilbert (Chad), Steve Wheeler (Jenny), Katy Eason (Michael), Emily Harrell, and Elise Harrell. Mel is survived by sisters Shirley Young and Jo Peden (Dick), and former wife Eleanor Nelson, and several nieces, nephews, and step-great-grandchildren. Mel graduated from the University of Georgia with a degree in Landscape Architecture in 1955, after which he served his country as Captain in the United States Air Force as a fighter pilot stationed in the U.S. and France. He then practiced landscape architecture for more than 60 years, starting his career at TVA in Knoxville. Later, he was a member of the McCarty Bullock Holsapple team that designed the 1982 World's Fair in Knoxville. Mel then spent 15 years in Memphis in design and construction before opening his own landscape architecture firm, Kersey Wike Associates. Throughout his career, he designed many award winning parks, countless public spaces, and residential properties. Mel and Nelda returned to Knoxville in 1997. Mel's sense of humor was legendary as was his passion for music, especially Shape Note singing, playing classical and flamenco guitar, and joining voices with The Tellico Village Singers. He had a life-long love of flying, was accomplished in design and art,

and had a keen interest in genealogy. He was a member of many organizations such as the American Society of Landscape Architects, Rotary Club, Quiet Birdmen, and the Classical Guitar Society of Knoxville and Oak Ridge. Mel was true-blue to his numerous friends, and had a steadfast devotion to his family and his faith.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Monday, July 8, 2024, at 10:00 AM at Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City, TN, 37771. The burial and full military honors follow at 12:30 PM at the East Tennessee Veterans Cemetery, 2200 E. Governor John Sevier Highway, Knoxville, TN, 37920. Instead of flowers, Mel asks that you pay it forward by implementing an act of kindness or contributing to the organization of your choice in his memory.

Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements. clickfuneralhome.com

Carl O. Harvey - age 87 of Lenoir City, passed away Friday, June 21, 2024. Carl was a member of Fellowship Baptist Church. He served his country for six years in the United States Air Force and National Guard. Carl retired after a career as an electrician. He was a talented quilter and an avid Dale Earnhardt fan.

Carl was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest O. Harvey and Gertrude Munsey Harvey; brothers, Wayne Harvey and Ronnie Harvey.

Survived by his four nephews; cousin and caregiver Judy Harvey Skidmore, along with many other cousins; special neighbors and friends Buster and Connie Carter and family, Mike and Cheri Thomas.

Friends may come by the funeral home on Tuesday, June 25th at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Family and friends will gather at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 26th in the Lakeview Cemetery for graveside services and full military honors conferred by the Loudon County Veteran Honor Guard. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street in Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

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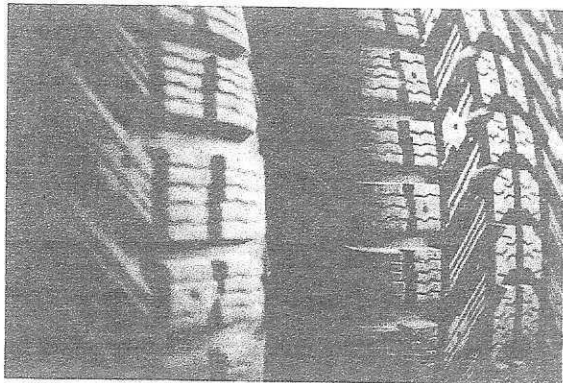
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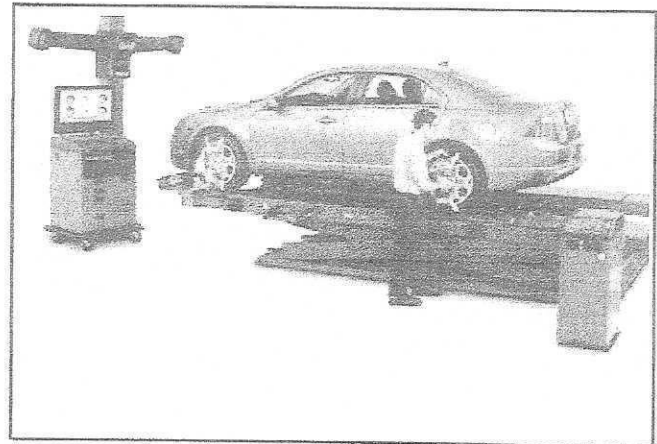
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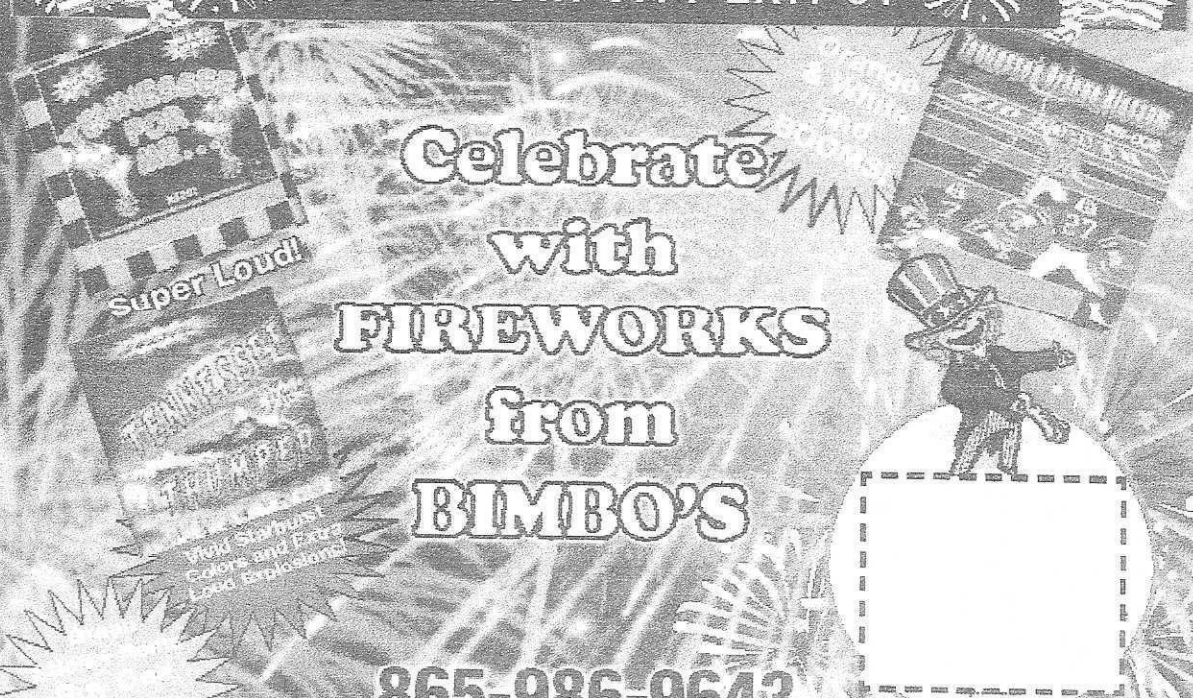
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