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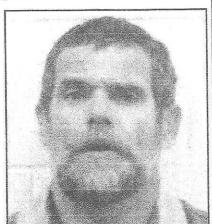
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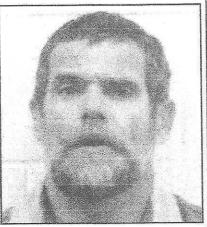
Two Charged After Traffic Stop Tires Slashed and Items for No Registration Tires Slashed and Items Broken in Multiple Assa



Melissa Baliles



Jody Balilies



Broken in Multiple Assault



Robert Perkins

Fork Utility District Investigation

Comptroller's Office Releases 2nd South

see Charged pg.4

Man Gets DUI After Running Out of Gas



Spencer Young

(see DUI pg. 3)

Verse of the Day The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

-Philemon 1:25 Wazzup

Super bowl parties are being planned

now! What event you going to? Weather Today: Cloudy. High of

61F. Tonight: Overcast. Low

Saturday: Rain. High of

Ssee numerous potential Of- conflicts of interest Tennessee numerous Comptroller's fice has released a involving the former second investigative district manager, ques-

ity District (SFUD), viewed here. which serves approxcustomers in Sullivan County.

On April 7, 2022, Comptroller's Office released its first SFUD investigative report detailing

Saturday night: Rain.

Sunday: Cloudy. High of

Sunday night: Foggy.

Aquarius 1/20-2/18

Low of 43F.

Low of 36F.

Horoscope

46F.

report related to busi- tionable transactions, ness practices within and deficiencies. The the South Fork Util- 2022 report can be

The new invesimately 3,400 water tigation found that SFUD made questionable payments to an employee's business totaling at least \$148,277.50 between August 2020 and April 2022.

> Some unusual dreams may come to you tonight, Aquarius, and you might awaken with the idea that they're very important. The images should be very clear, however, and you probably won't

The employee told investigators he started the business at the recommendation former SFUD officials with the sole purpose of employing his father to work as a heavy machinery contractor for SFUD. Investigators question why the employee's father was not hired as a SFUD employee or directly by the SFUD as a con-

see South Fork pg 5



Two

Melissa Baliles. Pawnie Lane Knoxville, was charged with Mfg/ Del/Sale or Poss. of Meth. Jody Balilies, 35, Merchants Center Boulevard Knoxville, was charged with DUI, Driving on Revoked/Suspended License, and Violation of Implied consent.

Officer Law LCPD, was on routine patrol when he observed a white Ford Expedition with no registration. The officer then conducted a traffic stop at 1111 Highway 321 North "Exxon, Officer identified the driver to be Jody Baliles and the passenger to be Melissa Baliles. While

speaking to Mr. Baliles the officer observed him having constricted pupils, he was very fidgety, and had white foam in the corners of his mouth. Mr. Baliles then consented to SFST, during the walk and turn Mr. Baliles did the incorrect number of steps down, as well as an improper turn. During the one leg stand, Mr. Baliles used his arms to balance, and repeatedly placed his foot down. During ARIDE, Mr. Baliles had a lack of convergence in his left eye, was at approximately 20 seconds on the modified Romberg, and missed five out of six finger to nose touches. During investigation, dispatch advised Mr. Baliles's license

had two failures to appears determine his blood alcoout of Knox County. Mr. hol content. Mr. Baliles Baliles was placed under ar- was then transported to rest, after placing him under the Loudon County Jail arrest, he was read the Ten- without incident. This incinessee Blood and/or Breath dent did take place within Consent Advisement. After Loudon County, Tennesreading the consequenc- see, and all the above oces, Mr. Baliles refused to curred in Lenoir City, TN

was suspended and that he submit a blood sample to

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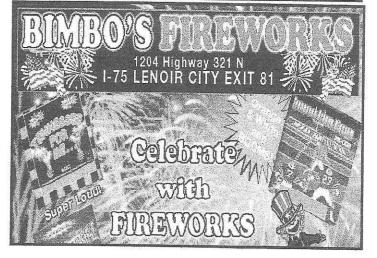
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DUI

Spencer Young, 32, Littleton Drive Loudon, was charged with DUI.

Officer Carroll LCPD, was dispatched to Exxon on Hwy 321 N, near the Interstate for a Suspicious male who was acting erratic. Upon arrival, the officer observed a male subject sitting in a vehicle beside gas pump #9. The male subject was identified as Spencer Todd Young. Mr. Young advised that he was driving on Hwy 321 N trying to get back to Loudon, and his vehicle ran out of gas so he pulled off the roadway, and into the Exxon parking lot. While speaking with Mr. Young, he was acting very erratic, not making much sense speaking, showed signs of impairment. The officer asked Mr. Young if he would be willing to perform

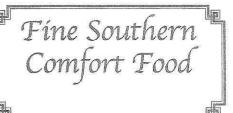
Standarized Field Sobriety Testing to which he consented.

During the Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus, Mr. Young did have lack of smooth pursuit, and Nystagmus at Maximum Deviation. During the Walk and Turn, Mr. Young used his arms for balance, stepped off line, and missed heel to toe. During the One-leg Stand, Mr. Young was unable to follow directions, and used his arms for balance. The officer also performed ARIDE testing on Mr. Young, to which he performed poorly. Mr. Young was placed into custody, and read Implied Consent, to which he agreed. Mr. Young was transported to the Ft. Loudon Medical Center for a blood draw, and to the Loudon County Jail.

This incident did occur within Loudon County,

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Charged

Robert Perkins, 56, Broadway Lenoir City, was charged with Assault x3, Domestic Assault, Vandalism, and Public Intoxication.

Deputy Davis LCSO, responded to Zion Ridge Road, in reference to a domestic disturbance. Upon arrival, Deputy made contact with Robert Perkins. While speaking with Robert, the deputy could smell the odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his breath. Robert had slurred speech and had difficulty walking. Robert advised he attempted to make entry into the house to kick victim 1 out of the residence. Robert stated he believes

victim 1 is a drug addict and does not want him around his son victim 2. It was later discovered that Robert was not a resident at Zion Ridge Road. Deputy made contact with victim 2. Victim 2 advised his father Robert Perkins arrived at the residence drunk and belligerent. Victim 2 stated he attempted to make Robert leave the residence. but Robert refused. Victim 1 advised he instructed everyone to come inside the residence and lock the doors. Victim 2 stated Robert started kicking the front and back door of the residence to gain entry into the house. Victim 1, 3 and 4 confirmed victim 2 statement. All the victims

advised they felt at fear for their safety due to the threats yelled at them by Robert and his belligerent behavior. Victim 3 later advised Robert slashed all of her vehicle's tires. The damaged property was two doors, one screen door, one doorknob, and four vehicle tires. The estimated cost of the damage

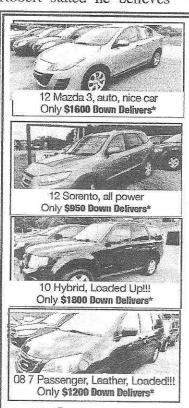
was 1330 dollars. Deputy Allen later advised, upon initial contact with Robert Perkins, Deputy Allen located an open pocketknife in Robert's pocket. Robert Perkins was taken into custody and transported to the Loudon County Detention Facility. This incident occurred in Loudon County Tennessee.

Public Notice

PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to default Provision Chapter 717, 1980 Public Acts of Tennessee, the contents of the following leased spaces will be sold to satisfy the owner's liens. The entire contents will be sold at public sale to the highest bidder for cash. The sale is to be held on unit site, CARDING MACHINE MINI-WAREHOUSE & STORAGE, 1241 Carding Machine Road, Loudon, TN on Saturday, February 3rd at 10:00 a.m.

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South Fork tractor.

Comptroller investigators determined the invoices supporting the payments to the employee's business lacked sufficient detail to determine the scope of work performed or what individuals performed the work. Additionally, vestigators say all pay to employees for work performed should have been made through the SFUD's payroll system to ensure proper payroll taxes, social security, and Medicare deductions are paid.

The results of this investigation have been communicated to the District Attorney General of the 2nd Judicial District.

To view the investigative report, go to tncot.cc/ doireports.

Norman-Former dy City Recorder Stole From Bedford County Town

An investigation by the Tennessee Comptroller's Office has resulted in the indictment of Jessica West, the former city recorder for the Town of Normandy (population 105) in Bedford County.

Investigators determined that West misappropriated town funds totaling \$8,643 beginning in January 2017. West resigned from her position in August 2022.

West used two schemes to steal money from the town. She wrote herself 24 additional paychecks totaling \$8,243, and she paid her personal Verizon cell phone bill totaling \$400.

The investigation also revealed that West falsified the mayor's signature on eighteen checks written to herself without property authority or permission.

Based upon this investigation, on December 18, 2023, the Bedford County Grand Jury indicted Jessica West on one count of theft over \$2,500, and one count of forgery.

"This investigation also uncovered numerous deficiencies withing

the town's operations that enabled this scheme to go undetected," said Comptroller Mumpower. "These deficiencies included a failure to separate financial duties, not maintaining records and documents, and signing blank checks.'

To view the investigative report, go to tncot.cc/ doireports.

Public Notice

Loudon County Republican Women meeting for Monday, January 22nd has been postponed due to the inclement weather and unsafe driving conditions. Instead, the meeting will occur on Monday, January 29th at the Avalon Community Clubhouse (140 Deerfield Court; Lenoir City, TN 37772). Susan Harrison from the Loudon County Election Commission will still be the guest speaker. 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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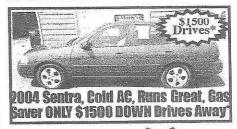














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Horoscopes

have much trouble working out what they mean. Pisces 2/19-3/20

Relationships of all kinds to keep it all together. should be thriving at this time. Pisces. Mind and emotions join together in a beneficial partnership, enabling you to increase your understanding

of those close to you.

Aries 3/21-4/19 Work of all kinds gets done a lot faster, Aries, as friends or family members join in assisting you in getting it out of the way. You've made this possible because your intellect has joined with your emotions in age your money may have strengthening your communication with others.

Taurus 4/20-5/20

Love blossoms today as communication with your beloved is enhanced by an both your parts, Taurus. You feel more at ease in each other's presence, and you project a united front in the company of others.

Gemini 5/21–6/20

A number of visitors might others is also enhanced by a

come to your house today, Gemini, perhaps to discuss matters of interest to all of you. Some intense disagreements could arise, but you'll be able Cancer 6/21–7/22

If you're into computers and the Internet, Cancer, you can expect to spend a lot of time today staring at a screen. You may be doing some writing or web design or animation, but whatever it is, you'll probably find it noticeably better than what you usually produce.

Leo 7/23-8/22 Using computers either to increase your income or manseemed like Greek to you, Leo, but today you'll probably catch on very quickly. Your natural practicality joins with an enhanced intellect and heightened intuition increased understanding on to give you an advantage you don't usually have.

Virgo 8/23-9/22 Intellect and feelings are totally joined today, Virgo, especially when dealing with friends. Your basic understanding of keener sense of intuition. You might become interested in a cause of some kind, perhaps metaphysical, social, ecological, or humanitarian in nature. Libra 9/23-10/22

A focused and enhanced practical turn of mind, strengthened by intuition, may be of great help to you today when considering career matters. Libra. A change is in the wind and you might want to give considerable thought to different options that may be opening up to you.

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

You probably won't want to spend much time at home today, Scorpio. Most likely you'll want to be out and about, perhaps at a large gathering, perhaps just strolling down a city street watching the people go by.

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21 Your imagination is flying high today, Sagittarius. In-tellect and intuition join together in a vivid and explosive union where the whole

is definitely greater than the sum of the parts. Don't waste this energy.

Capricorn 12/22-01/19 Thoughts of travel could be on your mind today, Capricorn, and you might tinker with the idea of actually taking time off and going somewhere that you ve always wanted to visit. A friend or love partner might want to accompany you.



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Police beat

Clayton Jarrard, 43, Welch Avenue Loudon, was charged with Domestic Assault.

Officer Newman LPD, received a call of a physical domestic at Welch Avenue in Loudon City. Upon my arrival officer could hear yelling coming from there residence. Officer was meet at the door by the victims Mother, she stated that Clayton Jarrard had been up all night drinking and causing problems. He woke everyone in the house up screaming and had then slapped the victim in the face. Mr. Jarrard stated that he was trying to get her up for school, Mr Jarrard was extremely intoxicated and belligerent. Mr Jarrard was placed in handcuffs and escorted to his cruiser. when officer spoke with the Juvenile victim she stated she was putting on her makeup to go to school and Her dad (Jarrard) slapped her in the face and she slapped him U.S. Navy after 20 years of back. I determined Mr. Clayton Jarrard to be the Primary Aggressor and arrest him for Domestic Violence Assault said actions happened in Loudon County.

Obituaries

Dale Haire, age 57 of Lenoir City passed away January 22, 2024. He was a loving and devoted husband, grandfather, brother, and friend. Dale was a longtime employee of Highway 70 Small Engine Repair. His hobby was anything that had to do with Hot Rod Cars. Dale was of the Baptist faith. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Moss and Dessie Moyer, Cleo and Ruth Haire; sister, Ann Haire and sister-in-law, Kathy Haire. Survived by his wife, Janice Haire; son, Aydin Bunch; daughters, Sarah Haire, Pau-

la Cox (Adam), and Jodi Branum; parents, Don and Sandra Haire; sisters, Donna Cook, Lisa Solomon (Bill), and Nancy Selvidge; brothers, Jay Haire, Jerry Haire (Melissa), and Bobby Haire (Celena); along with many nieces, nephews and friends. The family would like to give a special thanks to Jerry Park for his friendship and support. There will be a private Celebration of Life for Dale. Donations may be made to the funeral home to help with costs. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Jimmy Duane Bowers lovingly known as "Wormy" age 65 of Lenoir City passed away suddenly on January 17, 2024 at his home. He was a 1976 graduate of Lenoir City High School. Wormy served on the John F. Kennedy during Desert Storm. He retired from the service as Command Master Chief. Wormy was one of the founding members of the Refuge Church at Pleasant Hill where he remained very active and served his community well until his death. Preceded in death by his parents, Bob and Ola Mae Pruitt Bowers. Survived by his siblings: Linda Bowers Chase (Jerry), Carol Bowers Ruhl, Robert L. Bowers, Jr., and Greg Bowers along with many nieces, nephews, cousins, and church family. A Celebration of Life is being planned. Interment will be in the East Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery. Full military honors will be conferred by the East Tennessee State Veterans Guard. Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

Howard Franklin Farmer age 77 of Lenoir City, passed away Saturday, January 20, 2024. Howard was a member of First Baptist Church in Philadelphia, TN. He was a veteran of the United States

Air Force. Howard retired from Oak Ridge Y-12 Plant after 29 years of service.

Preceded in death by his first wife of 46 years, Eva Sue Farmer; parents, Roy J. Farmer and Bonnie Mae Wheeler Farmer of Lenoir City; sisters, Anna Lou Farmer Tindell (Clarence), and Mary Ellen Farmer Mc-Nabb.

Howard is survived by his wife of 4 ½ years, Bet-Longworth; daughter, Tammi Lambert (Jeff) son, James Daniel Farmer (Antonia); five grandchildren: Jessica Brackett, Bethany Long, Caleb Lambert, Diana Farmer and Giulia Farmer; great granddaughters, Lilah and Lucy Brackett: stepchildren: Tammi Walker (Rich), Janey Longworth (John), and Mark Longworth (Beth); step grandson, Levi Longworth.

The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, January 26th at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Full military honors will be conferred by Loudon County Veteran Honor Guard. Funeral services will follow with Rev. Brian Courtney officiating. A private interment will be in the Abbott Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please make memorials to First Baptist Church, 606 Church Street, Philadelphia, TN 37846. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements.

purpose of the meeting will be to consider filling vacancy in the Street Department.

Public Notice

Public Notice

The Lenoir City Housing Authority is no longer accepting applications for our 1 bedroom units due to no availability and extreme long wait list.

Personnel Committee Meeting

The Lenoir City Personnel Committee will

meet at City Hall, in the small conference room.

on Thursday, February 1, 2024 at 2:00 P.M. The

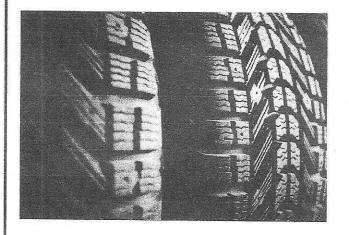
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Public Notice

The Lenoir City Utilities Board (LCUB) will have a Special Called Board Meeting on Monday, January 29, 2024. The meeting will be held at LCUB, 7698 Creekwood Park Blvd., Lenoir City, Tennessee 37771, in the Hamby-Smith Board Room and will begin at 4:00 p.m. The purpose of the Special Called Board Meeting is for discussion/consideration of the following:

- Consideration of approving the Minutes from the December 18, 2023, Board Meeting.
- 2. Consideration of approving the Financial Reports for November 2023.
- 3. Consideration of approving an Amendment to the FUD Water Purchase Agreement.
 - 4. Consideration of approving the 2024 Board Meeting Schedule.

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