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Friday, November 1, 2024

and More Found After Driver Running Out of Gas Leads to Stopped for No Seat Belt



Daniel Bragg

(see Meth+ pg. 4) | Kellyanne Weed

Bad Night for Driver



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Woman Charged After Assault Reported in Loudon



Crystal Brown

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Oliver Springs Wastewater Operator Indicted for Theft

investigation by the Tennessee Comptroller's Office, working in coniunction with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, has resulted in the indictment of Travis Thrasher, the Chief Wastewater Operator for the Town of Oliver Springs, which is located in Anderson, Morgan, and Roane Counties.

The investigation began after town officials reported concerns of questionable financial activity.

Investigators determined that Thrasher misappropriated town funds totaling at least \$1,022 by making personal purchases. These purchases included a new set of tires for his personal vehicle, hardware, and other auto parts. The purchased

tires and other auto parts did not fit any town vehicles.

Additionally, Thrasher made questionable fuel purchases for his personal vehicles totaling at least \$2,448 using a town fuel card. Thrasher claimed a former supervisor authorized him to use the fuel

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Verse of the Day

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-1 Corinthians 10:31 Wazzup

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Low of 57F.

Horoscope

Scorpio 10/23-11/21 At the end of the day, you're the one who has to look in the mirror and know who you are, Scorpio. Think about this the next time you're tempt-



DUI

Kellyanne Weed, 59, Homeless Loudon, was charged with, DUI, and Simple Possession x3.

Deputy Watson LCSO, responded to the area of Highway 72 at Clear Branch Road in reference to a motorist assist. Upon arrival, the deputy observed a black sedan in the traffic lane with its hazard lights on. The deputy made Kellyanne contact with Weed (Suspect/Arrestee) in the driver seat of the vehicle. Ms. Weed stated that she had run out of gas trying to get to a friend's residence on Davis Ferry Road. Ms. Weed

appeared to be confused and unsure of where she current-Iv was. The deputy asked Ms. Weed if she knew where she was and she replied "Lenoir City." Ms. Weed was asked to exit the vehicle and step back to the patrol vehicle. The deputy asked Ms. Weed if she had taken any medication and she stated that she took her prescribed Clonazepam at approximately 05:30 AM Thursday morning and that she had smoked marijuana at approximately 02:30 PM on Thursday afternoon. Ms. Weed appeared to have dilated pupils. The deputy asked Ms. Weed if she would consent to SFSTs ARIDE testing and she agreed. Ms. Weed performed poorly and was placed into custody due to suspicion of driving under the influence. The deputy read Ms. Weed implied consent and she agreed to provide a blood sample. Deputy Pekala was conducting a search of Ms. Weed's vehicle after Ms. Weed gave verbal consent to do so. Deputy Pekala recovered several prescription pill bottles from inside the vehicle containing Clonazepam. Deputy Pekala located an orange pill bottle with the label removed that contained suboxone. and a round peach colored pill with "RP 30". Once the

deputy placed Ms. Weed into custody, the deputy asked if she had anything illegal on her person and she stated she had a pill bottle in her bra. The deputy allowed her to remove the item and it was a metal container with 4 Clonazepam pills. Ms. Weed was charged for the pills being outside of a prescription pill bottle. Deputies entered the above items into evidence. The deputy transported Ms. Weed to Fort Loudoun Medical Center for a blood draw. While en route, Ms. Weed saw people with flashlights outside of his patrol vehicle that were not there.

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DUI ctd. from pg. 2

Once at the hospital, Ms. Weed was observed speaking to people and seeing people who weren't there. After the blood draw was conducted by nurse staff, the deputy transported Ms. Weed to the Loudon County Jail without incident. The vehicle was towed by James Wrecker Service. Sgt. Rogers met him at the Loudon County Jail and conducted DRE evaluation. This did occur in Loudon County, TN.

Charged

Crystal Brown, 42, Donaldson Road Philadelphia, was charged with Domestic Assault.

Officer A. Luna LPD, responded to a domestic in the area of the Food City parking lot 2799 Hwy 72 N. Officer Luna and Officer Valletto made contact with the victim and Crystal Brown. The victim and a witness both advised Ms. Brown had punched her in the chest during a verbal altercation that turned physical. Ms. Brown was arrested for Domestic Assault and transported to the Loudon County Jail without incident. This did occur in the City of Loudon.

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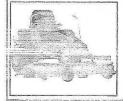


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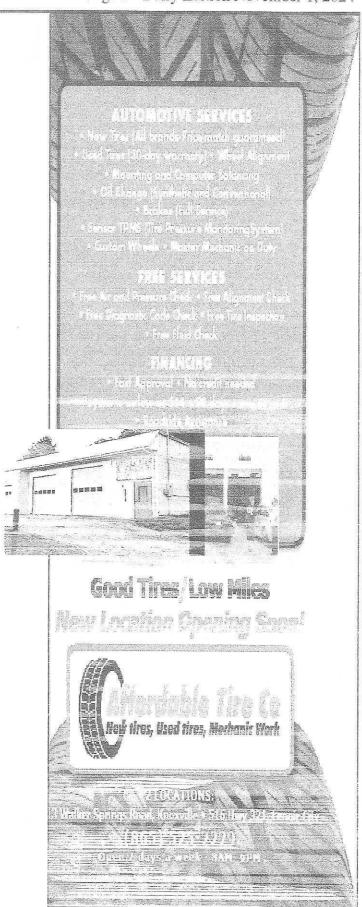
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Meth+

Daniel Bragg, 54, Donaldson Road Philadelphia, was charged with, Mfg/Del/Sale or Poss. of Meth, and Simple Possession

Officer R. Miller, with the Lenoir City Police Department, conducted a traffic stop on a Chevy pickup truck for a seat belt violation (driver not wearing seatbelt) in the area of West Broadway near Q Street in Lenoir City, TN. Upon the traffic stop the officer made contact with the driver who was identified as Daniel Bragg, front seat passenger, and rear seat passenger. While speaking with BRAGG in regards to the traffic violation the officer could smell an odor of marijuana emitting from inside of the pickup truck. The officer then asked BRAGG to step out of the vehicle to speak with him further about the citation. As BRAGG was exiting the pickup truck, the officer visually noticed a small

cellophane bag sitting in his driver's seat. While speaking with BRAGG regarding the citation the officer asked about the odor of marijuana at which time he responded that he may have a "joint" inside of the pickup truck. The officer then had the remaining passengers step out of the pickup truck to conduct a probable cause search. During the subsequent search of the pickup truck, the officer located the cellophane bag that was sitting in the driver's seat as BRAGG exited the truck in which contained a green leafy substance believed to be marijuana (approximate weight 1.04 grams). Once the search of the pickup truck was concluded I then searched the pockets of BRAGG'S pants at which time the officer located a clear bag containing a crystal-like substance believed to methamphetamine (approximately 9.39 grams). BRAGG was mirandized at the jail where he stated that crys-

tal-like substance believed to be methamphetamine that was located in his pants pocket was in fact methamphetamine. The crystal-like substance believed

to be methamphetamine was tested using the Tru Narc Drug Analyzer in which it tested positive for methamphetamine.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Loudon County Regional Planning Commission will hold a workshop November 12, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. to rediscuss Article III Streets, of the Loudon County zoning resolution. The public is welcome to attend. The Planning Commission will meet immediately following the workshop at 5:30 p.m.



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Theft

card to purchase fuel for his personal vehicles if it was used for town business; however, both the former town manager and former water wastewater department supervisor stated they did not authorize fuel purchases for personal vehicles.

also identifies \$3,010 in other rected," said Comptroller questionable purchases made by town employees. These purchases included food, auto parts, gift cards, and invoices for purchases, and supplies that were not supported with itemized receipts over gift cards. The town or other documentation.

the town received a check wastewater service and recfrom Travis Thrasher totaling \$3,471 for "repayment" of his personal purchases using town funds. He resigned report, go to tncot.cc doirefrom his employment with ports.

the town on September 13, 2024.

Based upon this investigation, in October 2024, the Roane County Grand Jury indicted him on one count of theft over \$1,000 and one count of official misconduct.

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Horoscopes

ed to make a rude comment or spread a displeasing fact about someone else. One side of you may be able to rationalize behavior that the other side simply despises.

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21

When it comes to romance, your body is apt to turn to jelly today. You may be so emotional that you can't function, Sagittarius. That's love. And even though it can be heavenly, it can also be debilitating. You could deliberate for hours about an issue because you don't want to make a move without your partner's input.

Capricorn 12/22-01/19

Will you go out with me? Be careful if a person says yes when you ask that question today, Capricorn. You could take the nature of this situation to the extreme. Saying yes doesn't mean you're suddenly in charge of his or her life. Nor are you responsible for anything that person does or how they feel.

Aguarius 1/20-2/18

Powerful issues arise in your

life that make it difficult to find peace, Aquarius. Perhaps your first tendency is to confide in your partner. More than likely, this person is contributing to the difficulties you're now having. Your best bet is to spend some time alone. If you're already alone, so much the better. Pisces 2/19-3/20

You may be trying to get to the end of the road too quickly without really enjoying all the steps along the way, Pisces. This is especially true when it comes to any sort of artistic project or romantic partnership that you might be involved in at this time. If you aren't savoring every part of your journey, then perhaps this isn't the path you should be on.

Aries 3/21-119

When your heart is gently touched, it feels loving, generous, and supportive of everyone, Aries. If your heart is lonely, it feels deserted by everyone. It would be impossible to try to make sense of why things need to be so extreme for you, but the fact of the matter is that you don't need to figure it out rationally

Taurus 4/20-5/20

You may be like a giant trying to befriend a small bug, Taurus. You have absolutely nothing in common and don't even speak the same language. With one accidental move, you could easily squash that little bug.

Gemini 5/21-6/20

There is irony in today's situation, Gemini. The only real remedy for situations like this is to accept them and joke about it. If you try to take yourself too seriously, especially when it comes to art or romance, you will inevitably fail. Your heart is sensual and your emotions profound.

Cancer 6:21–7:22

The hungrier you get, the more determined you will become, Cancer. Be careful that your determination doesn't turn into desperation and neediness. It's unattractive and will get you nowhere. Keep on the upward spiral, and let determination turn into inspiration and coop-

Leo 7/23-8/22

If you're in the market for romance, Leo, whether with a new partner or rekindling the

fire with a current partner, be careful. Small issues could rage out control today. Extreme conditions are likely to occur, thanks to your sensitive emotions combined with a surge of energy from the out-

Virgo 8/23-9/22

Things may get a bit difficult in your romantic life because of someone in the partnership who isn't necessarily taking a very realistic approach to the situation, Virgo. There's a bit of a power play going on as someone tries to throw their weight around without considering the other person's feelings. Tension is brewing, and you'd be wise to deal with it

Libra 9 23-10/22

Your creative juices are flowing freely, Libra, but there appears to be a roadblock. Something or someone apparently doesn't want you to continue down the path you're on. Perhaps he or she is scared that you're going to discover a whole new passion in life that they don't necessarily agree

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(As required by Chapter No 199, Public Acts of Tennessee 1999 As Amended by Public Chapter 996 on 05/09/2012)

Notice is hereby given that on THE 24TH DAY OF OCTO-BER 2024, Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of SAMUEL ALLEN STEVENS who died on the 3RD day of OCTOBER 2024 be issued to the undersigned by the LOUD-ON County PROBATE Court of LOUDON County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the CLERK of the abovenamed court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claim will be forever barred:

(1) (A) Four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting, as the case may be) of this notice if the creditor received an actual copy of this notice to creditors at least sixty (60) days before the date that is four (4) months from the date of the first publication (or posting); or

(B) Sixty (60) days from the date the creditor received an actual copy of the notice to creditors if the creditor received the copy of the notice less than sixty (60) days prior to the date that is four (4) months from the date of first publication (or posting) as described in (1) (A); or

(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

THIS THE 24Th DAY OF OCTOBER 2024

STEVE HARRELSON, CLERK

BY: Penny Glasgow, Sr. Deputy Clerk Robyn Shannon, Deputy Clerk

By Personal Representative(s)
DEVONNA ESSLINGER

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All Claims must be submitted on a claim form, notarized with invoices statements; in triplicate, with a fee of \$20.00 to Loudon County Probate Court, 12699 Highway 11 West Ste. 3, Lenoir City, TN 37771 published October 25, 2024 and November 1, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Regarding the Estate of: CAROLYN MELTON PECK , deceased DKT# 7226

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

(As required by Chapter No 199, Public Acts of Tennessee 1999

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Notice is hereby given that on the 28TH DAY OF OC-TOBER 2024 Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of CAROLYN MELTON PECK who died on the 26TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2024 be issued to the undersigned by the Loudon County Probate Court of Loudon County, Tennessee. All persons, resident and nonresident, having claims, matured or unmatured against the estate are required to file the same with the Clerk of the abovenamed court on or before the earlier of the dates prescribed in (1) or (2) otherwise their claim will be forever

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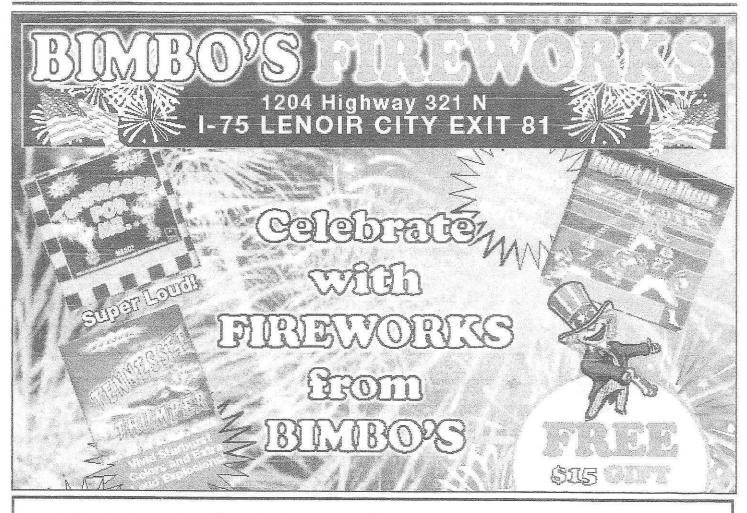
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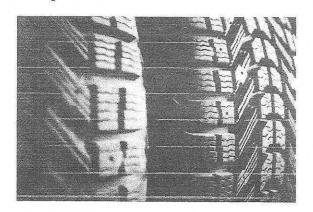
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