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Monday, July 15, 2024

## Unwanted Guest Call Leads to Plethra of, Attack with Axe Leads to Charges including Meth and Resisting



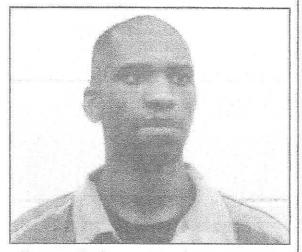
**Aggravated Assault Charges** 



Chelsey Coker

James Nichols see Coker pg. 2

## Man Charged After Reporting Burglary He is Alleged to Have Committed



Brentney Brabson

(see Agg. Burglary pg. 3)

Verse of the Day

[The Lord appeared to Solomon upon the completion of the temple and said, "If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive

their sin and will heal their land." -2 Chronicles 7:14

Wazzup Seems Like Tammy Powell Is the Only Serious Candidate for Lenoir City School Board! Where are the others??? Signs on **Empty** Buildings Don't Elect People!

Investigators

by the Tennessee

Comptroller's Office

has resulted in the

discovery of ques-

tionable activity by

a sitting Hamilton

County Commission-

er. In keeping with

policy, the name of

the commissioner is

being withheld be-

cause no criminal charges have been

de-

filed.

Weather Today: partly cloudy. High of 95F.

Tonight: Overcast. Low of 72F.

Tuesday: Isolated thunderstorms. High of 93F.

\$27,382 in Questionable Reimbursements An investigation termined the Commis- additional office space sioner received at least when the building did

Hamilton County Commissioner Received

able reimbursements through the county for purchases he made from his discretionary spending allowance. Investigators questions these reimbursements Comptroller's Office

as legitimate business expenses for the benefit of the taxpayers and county.

The questionable reimbursements include:

\$15,500 to rent an

\$27,382.09 in question- not have active electric service. Investigators visited the office and observed indications that the office was not being used.

\$5,971.42 for meetings at local restaurants.

\$1,059.10 for a personal purchase of two red leather office

see Hamilton Co. pg. 5



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Tuesday night: Possible storms. Low 74F.

Horoscope Cancer 6/21-7/22

You're probably feeling especially sexy, Cancer, and you might want to take a lover out for a romantic dinner,

#### Coker

Chelsey Coker, 28, Sunny Side Road Philadelphia, was charged with, Mfg/Del/Sal or Possession of Meth, Criminal Trespassing, Resisting Arrest, and Public Intoxication.

Deputy Allen LCSO, arrived on scene at West Lee Highway for the complaint of an unwanted guest. Chelsey Coker and the victim met the deputy in the driveway. The victim explains he had allowed Miss. Coker came into his home with the understanding that as long she did not use drugs she was welcome. A short time later Miss. Coker began to ramble and became unable to have a conversation. The victim

asked Miss. Coker to leave and she would not. The deputy explained to Miss. Coker that she was not welcome to remain on this property. After Miss. Coker gathered some belongings she stated she was going next door. To Sunnyside another property owned by the victim where Miss Coker is not welcome. Miss Coker attempted to argue this point and then stated she would just stay in the backyard. During this conversation Miss. Coker would ramble between interactions about topics that did not apply to the current situation. It was apparent that Miss. Coker was under the influence of an intoxicating substance and was not able to make decisions about

her safety. Miss Coker was also causing a disturbance to the community around her that may have become dangerous. The deputy stepped towards Miss. Coker and began to remove his handcuffs from their case. Miss. Coker saw this Movement yelled something and attempted to flee. The deputy was able to restrain Miss. Coker by her

shirt. Miss Coker actively pulled away from the deputy and attempted to swing a large garage door at him. The deputy was able to take Miss Coker to the ground and take her into custody. Miss. Coker was placed in the back seat of his vehicle and transported to Loudon County Jail without further incident. This did occur in Loudon County TN.

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Agg. Burglary

Brentney Brabson, 39, Hines Valley Road Lenoir City, was charged with Domestic Assault, and Aggravated Burglary.

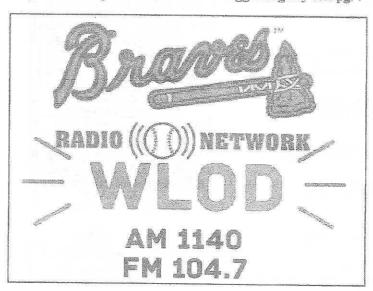
Cpl. Christina Wallen. along with Deputy Daniel Allen LCSO, responded to Hines Valley Rd., Lenoir City, on a follow-up in reference to a recent theft. Originally the offender, Brentney Brabson, had called Loudon County Dispatch to advise he had additional proof for his previous theft case. While en route to the location, a second caller, the (victim), called dispatch to advise that her ex-boyfriend, later known to be Brabson, had shown up uninvited at the residence, and she wished to have him removed. Upon arrival, both parties were still on the scene. Deputy Allen spoke with Brabson outside of the residence while Wallen spoke to the victim inside who gave the following summary of events:

Brabson arrived at victim's residence, unannounced. When the victim answered the door, Brabson pushed his way into the apartment, un-

invited, and refused to leave when the victim told him to leave. The victim began recording a video on her cell phone where Brabson could be heard making threats to assault her, saying he was going to strike the victim in the head and shove her out of the 2nd story window. The victim showed the deputy the video she had taken just before our arrival with her cell phone to corroborate her claims. The victim stated that she was in fear of Brabson, and believed that she was in imminent danger of being assaulted by Brabson. The victim retreated to her bedroom and locked the door to get away from Brab-

Then the deputy went outside to speak with Brabson. Brabson alleged that he was a resident at Hines Valley Rd., but this is the location of an all-women's shelter, and men are not allowed to reside there. Brabson had been previously trespassed from the property by the property owners. Brabson also claimed that the victim had "begged" him to come back to the residence and he had the messages

see Agg. Burglary etd. pg. 7





Agg. Assault

James Nichols, 37, Mc-Falls Lane Lenoir City, was charged with Aggravated Assault x2.

Officer Cole LCPD, was dispatched to McFalls Lane in reference to a domestic. Upon arrival the officer spoke with James Nichols who advised officers that a verbal argument had occurred between him and the victim. Mr. Nichols was observed to be agitated during the initial encounter. Officers then made contact with victim 1 and

2; both were observed to be shaken and emotionally distraught. Victim 1 stated that a verbal altercation had ensued between her and Mr. Nichols before officers arrival, escalating when Mr. Nichols became increasingly aggressive and belligerent. Furthermore, victim 1 elaborated that earlier that day, Mr. Nichols had prevented them from leaving the residence by blocking the exit and displaying erratic behavior. She further informed officers of his history of mental illness. Mr. Nichols also made the statement that he was go-

ing to kill everyone within the home including himself and the pets. Both victims reported feeling in fear for their safety after Mr. Nichols slammed an axe into the table in front of them during a verbal argument. Based on the statements of the victims, as well as the visible evidence of where the axe embedded in the table, Mr. Nichols was placed under arrest for do-

mestic charges. Mrs. Nichols declined medical attention for herself and her son, stating that they were physically unharmed but emotionally shaken by the incident. She also declined offers of relocation to a safe place for the night. James Nichols was transported to the Loudon County Detention Center without further incident. All of the above did occur in Lenoir City, TN

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of 48 storage totes that investigators could not locate.

\$1,127.58 in lodging expenses that exceeded allowable amounts.

\$1,006 for the renewal of a Post Office Box.

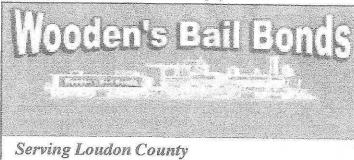
Investigators also found the commissioner failed to turn over a \$150 donation check that was issued to the Medal of Honor Hall of Valor Museum by the Hamilton County government.

The results of this investigation were communicated \$1,349.81 for the purchase with the Tennessee District Attorneys General Conference, who was appointed Pro Tem in this matter, after the 11th Judicial District Attorney General was recused.

"County commissioner expenses should be appro-

priately scrutinized before in furtherance of the county reimbursements are made," said Comptroller Mumpow- not wasteful or abusive of er. "All expenses should be taxpaver funds."

commissioner's duties and



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#### Horoscopes

if possible. You would especially enjoy going all out, experimenting with a new outfit, scent, or hairstyle.

Leo 7/23-8/22

Romance and marriage are very much on your mind today, Leo. A special conversation with a possible love partner could have you hankering for happily ever after. Books on attracting and maintaining relationships might be especially appealing as well as useful.

Virgo 8/23-9/22

You're feeling especially healthy, energetic, and attractive today, Virgo, and some friends may suddenly see you in a new light. This could bring a valuable boost in self-confidence. New careers that pay more and offer more of a challenge are especially appealing to you now. Consider them seriously.

Libra 9/23-10/22 Your natural warmth and loving nature should be more apparent than usual today, Libra.

You're likely to attract new people, both men and women, into your aura. Perhaps old friends you haven't seen for a while suddenly reappear on the scene. This is an excellent time to plan a social event or invite a friend to lunch, if pos-

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

Friction with family members, particularly women, could prove irritating, especially since you're torn between their quirks and the love you have for them. This isn't the time to hold grudges, Scorpio. Let them go. You might feel the urge to do some home repairs, redecorate, or otherwise improve your home, or perhaps cook a great

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21 Today should bring pleasant

and profitable communications with women, possibly some new friends. A lot of people will want talk to you, although perhaps more than you can realistically handle. Be careful not to commit to too many things. You could end up spreading

yourself too thin. Capricorn 12/22-01/19

New opportunities may give you a chance to increase your financial standing and expand yourself professionally. Innovations that you've produced in the past have attracted the attention of those in positions of authority, Capricorn, and the fruits of your labor may manifest now.

Aquarius 1/20-2/18

Relations with those you care about continue to be warm and supportive. Friends may want to pitch in and help you with a project, Aquarius, or you could lend a hand to someone else. Strong bonds with others could be forged at this time, which might lead to firm and lasting friendships in the future. This is also a good day to turn your attention to repairing, redecorating, or refurnishing your home. Pisces 2/19-3/20

A strong sense of inspiration that seems to come from the higher planes could boost your natural artistic abilities, Pisces. No matter how rushed you

may be with other tasks, it's important to take time to note your ideas. They're definitely worth pursuing and you'll want to refer to them later.

Aries 3/21-4/19

Although you might feel a bit inclined toward solitude today, Aries, don't indulge it. This is a great day to get out with friends and meet new people, if possible, particularly women.

Taurus 4/20-5/20

An appealing new face could appear on the scene today, Taurus. This might lead to a new friendship, although this person could be charming enough to bring out your insecurities. Put these aside you're looking great.

Gemini 5/21-6/20

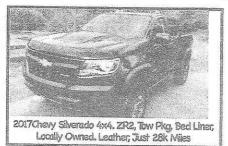
A male friend could put you in touch with people from foreign countries or people who have traveled a lot. They might have valuable information that you could use later. This information could also help you finish old projects that have been waiting to be done

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Agg. Burglary ctd. from Pg. 3 on his phone to prove his claims. When asked to see the messages, Brabson was unable to produce the proof that the victim invited him there. Brabson also said that when he arrived to confront the victim about the alleged LaVille Clark. theft, the victim retreated to her bedroom.

Based on the statements given by both parties, the Jeff Ritzenthaler and wife, video evidence presented, and the previous trespass warning, the deputy concluded that Brabson was not a resident of the apartment and that he did enter the residence without permission. Brabson made statements that placed the victim in fear of imminent bodily injury and the victim determined that he was the primary aggressor. Brabson was taken into custody without incident for the charges of Aggravated Burglary and Domestic Assault.

Brabson was handcuffed behind his back and the cuffs were checked for proper fit before double locking to prevent tightening. Brabson was then transported to the Loudon County Detention Facility by Deputy Allen without incident. Brabson does not have any minor children that will be left unattended due to his absence.

#### **Obituaries**

David Otto Ritzenthaler - age 84 of Farragut, formerly of the Tellico Village Community, Loudon, Tennessee, passed away Friday, July 5, 2024. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy serving in the Vietnam War. David was a member the Community Church of Tellico Village. He was a retired eye surgeon. David was an avid woodworker belonging to the Woodworking Club in Tellico Village and enjoyed family, golf and bridge.

David was preceded in death by his daughter, Tara Ritzenthaler; parents, Edward and Margaret Ritzenthaler; brother Dick Ritzenthaler; sister Marlene Natvick; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Milford and

Survivors include his wife of 63 years, Carol Clark Ritzenthaler of Farragut; sons, Patty of Atlanta, GA, Trent Ritzenthaler of Tucson, AZ; granddaughters, Sophie, Madison, Kayla (David), Ashley (Brody), Riley and Carmen; great-grandson, Oliver; brothers and sistersin-law, Donald and Linda Ritzenthaler, Chuck Ritzenthaler, Ken and Braketta Ritzenthaler, Tom and Crystal Ritzenthaler; sister-in-law and brothers-in-law, Barbara and Dick Weghorn, and Donald Clark, along with many nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, August 10th at 11 a.m. at the Community Church at Tellico Village. The family will receive friends immediately following the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Samaritans Purse https:// www.samaritanspurse.org/.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Regarding the Estate of: KATHLEEN ALICE SNAJ-DER, deceased DKT#7147 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 11TH DAY OF JULY 2024 Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of KATHLEEN ALICE SNAJ-DER who died on the 15TH DAY OF JUNE 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 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 11TH DAY OF JULY 2024

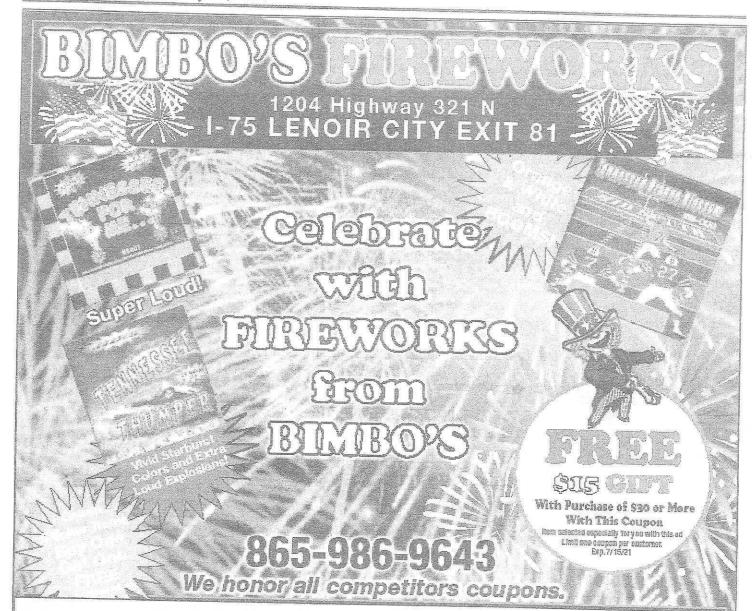
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BY: Penny Glasgow, Sr. Deputv Clerk

By Personal Representative(s) GLEN J. SNAJDER

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