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After

Charged

#### Man Charged with Attempted Rape and **Sexual Battery**



Michael Richardson

see Sexual Battery pg. 2

investigation

by the Tennessee

Comptroller's Office

has resulted in the in-

dictment of Freddie

Byrd, the former gen-

eral manager of the

Tarpley Shop Utility

District (TSUD) in Pulaski. TSUD pro-

vided water service to

approximately 1,200

customers prior to its

merger with South

Giles Utility District

earlier this year.

Utility was located in Pulaski, Tennessee

Two



Teens

Speeding Stop by LCSO

John Foti



Andrew Garza

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#### Convicted Felon Charged After Call of Female with a Gun General Manager Indicted for Theft ter Call of Female with a Gun



Chelsey Coker

-Acts 8:4

(see Gun pg. 5)

#### Wazzup

Verse of the Day Friends of the Com-Those who had been munity did another scattered [at the ston-ing of Stephen and awesome event at the the outbreak of sub-Shoppes of Monroe sequent persecution| preached the word wherever they went. this past weekend. Weather

93F.

Tonight: Clear. Low of

Tuesday: Partly cloudy. High of 92F.

Tuesday night: Overcast. Low 69F.

Horoscope

Today: Sunny. High of Leo 7/23-8/22

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mined that Byrd made purchases personal with district funds totaling \$7,939.55 between 2017 and 2023. The majority of these poses. purchases included battery-operated tools; small equipment and repairs; and vehicle parts that did not fit dis- es were made with trict-owned vehicles.

Byrd made other a lack of documentaquestionable purchases with district funds totaling \$9,849.64 from

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Leo. While this is apt

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their heads stuck in

the sand, this knowl-

Investigators deter- a variety of vendors. Investigators were unable to confirm if the all the purchases were used exclusively for official district pur-

The investigation also revealed that \$25,035.79 in questionable fuel purchas-TSUD funds. Due to

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#### Sexual Battery

Michael Richardson, 35, Simmons Road Loudon, was charged with, Sexual Battery, and Attempted Rape.

Cpl B. Dishner LCSO, responded to the Loudon County Sheriffs Office to meet with a subject advising she had been sexually assaulted. Upon arriving on scene Cpl. Dishner made contact with the victim. She stated that her and the offender Michael Richardson had been broken up for about a month, but her dogs were still being kept at his address. She stated she had went to his residence at approximately 0515 hrs. to

feed, and care for her dogs. Once she arrived on scene Mr. Richardson also came outside to check the brakes on her vehicle. When he approached the car he attempted kissing the victim when she pulled away, and told him no.

She then went to the exterior utility building where the dogs were housed. Mr. Richardson followed her, and once at the door he began to fondle her. She stated he slid his hands under her shirt, and grabbed her breasts. Again she pulled away from him, and told him not to touch her. She entered the building then start caring for the dogs at

which time Mr. Richardson entered the building attempting to corner the victim, and continuing to try and fondle her. She was able to get away from him at which time she exited the building, and went to her vehicle. She stated once at her vehicle she was standing at the rear passenger door when Mr. Richardson came up behind her. He then pressed himself against her, and unbuttoned her pants. He then pulled her

pants down, and she advised his pants were also down because she could feel himself against her. During this time she told him to stop multiple times, and it wasn't until she was able to kick him that he stopped forcing himself upon her. Cpl. Dishner advised Inv. Sgt. Marty Branam of the situation at which time he responded to the Sheriffs Office to speak with the victim. This did occur in Loudon County Tennessee.

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#### Theft

tion, investigators were not able to determine if all the fuel purchases were used exclusively for district pur-

Based upon this investigation, on July 10, 2024, the Giles County Grand Jury indicted Freddie Byrd on one count of theft over \$2,500 but less than \$10,000, and two counts of official misconduct.

"Our investigators found a number of weaknesses and deficiencies within the financial operations of the TSUD," said Comptroller Mumpower. "Although, this utility has merged with another, it's important for all utilities to have strong policies, internal controls, and board oversight to ensure operations are conducted properly and responsibly."

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

ports.

Two Knoxville Men Convicted of Methamphetamine Conspiracy and Distribution

Following a five-day jury trial in United States District Court in the Eastern District of Tennessee at Knoxville,

a jury convicted Cumecus Cates, 48, and Grady Chandler, 43, both of Knoxville, Tennessee, of Conspiracy to Distribute over 50 grams of Methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846 and 841()(1)(A) and multiple counts of Distribution of over 50 grams of Methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), 841(b) (1)(A) and 18 U.S.C. § 2.

The sentencing date for Cates and Chandler will be set later this year before the Honorable Katherine A. Crytzer, United States District Judge, in the United States District Court at Knoxville. Cates and Chandler both face sentences of up to life in prison.

The evidence presented at trial included FBI recorded drug transactions, witness testimony, and seized narcotics, and showed that Cates and Chandler were distributing large quantities of methamphetamine in the Knoxville area throughout 2022 and 2023.

United States Attorney Francis M. Hamilton, III of the Eastern District of Tennessee made the announcement

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John Foti, 18, Stahl Drive Knoxville, was charged with, Underage DUI, and Underage Consumption.

Andrew Garza, 18, Longbow Road Farragut, was charged with Public Intoxication, and Underage Consumption.

Deputy Watson LCSO, did observe a vehicle traveling 69 in a 50 mph zone. Deputy Watson stopped the vehicle for speeding and made contact with John Foti (Offender/ Arrestee) in the driver's seat. While speaking with Mr. Foti, the deputy detected a strong odor of an intoxicant emitting from inside the vehicle. Mr. Foti admitted to having approximately 2 drinks prior to driving his vehicle. After gathering Mr. Foti's driver's license, the deputy determined that he was under the age of 21. Deputy Watson asked Mr.

Foti to exit the vehicle and step to the front of his patrol vehicle. While speaking with Mr. Foti outside his vehicle, Deputy Watson observed Mr. Foti to have bloodshot watery eyes, dilatated pupils, and a strong odor of intoxicant emitting from his breath. Mr. Foti agreed to perform SFSTs/ ARIDE testing and was unable to finish testing due to stating he felt like he was going to black out. Mr. Foti was then placed into custody for suspicion of driving under the influence and secured in his patrol vehicle. The passenger of the vehicle was identified as Andrew Garza (Offender/ Arrestee) who was also found to be under 21. When speaking to Mr. Garza, he did admit to drinking approximately 4 beers. Deputy Billy Freeman then pulled Mr. Garza out of the vehicle. While speaking to Mr. Garza out of the vehicle, he

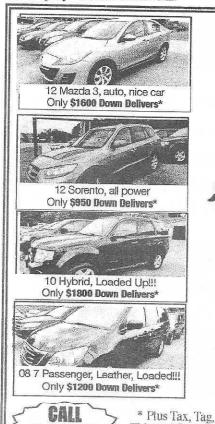
was found to have bloodshot eyes and a strong odor of an intoxicant on his person. Mr. Garza was then placed under arrest for public intoxication and underage consumption. Mr. Foti was read implied consent and consented to a blood draw. Mr. Foti was transported to Fort Loudon Medical Center. A blood draw was administered and Mr. Foti was transported to the Loudon County

Jail without incident. Mr. Garza was transported by Deputy Freeman to the Loudon County Jail without incident. While inventorying Mr. Foti's vehicle, a 12-pack of Miller Lite with 1 missing was observed in the back floorboard and was cold to the touch. Mr. Foti's vehicle was towed by Moneymaker's Towing Service. This did occur in Loudon County.

#### **Public Notice**

The Lenoir City Beer Board will meet Thursday, August 15, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Room. For consideration of an on-premises permit for the following item(s):

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Gall 986-1100 Gun

Chelsey Coker, 28, Sunnyside Road Philadelphia, was charged with, Aggravated Assault, Possession of a Weapon while Under the Influence. Public Intoxication. Convicted Felon in Possession of a Handgun.

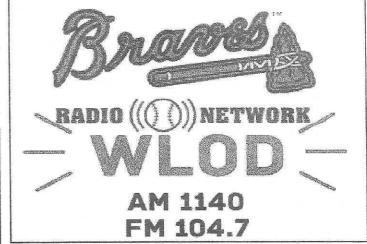
Deputy Phegley LCSO, was dispatched to Old Sugarlimb Rd in reference to a female with a weapon.

Upon arrival deputies made contact with Chelsea Coker, and victim 1 on the front porch. Victim 2 was also on scene, inside the residence when deputies arrived. Ms. Coker, and victim 1 both yelled as officers approached that the gun was unloaded and out of their possession. Ms. Coker was detained for officer safety. Ms. Coker was read her rights and made multiple statements after. Ms. Coker did not make much sense in her statements and would not give information as to where she obtained the firearm, but did state she bought it from someone. Ms. Coker seemed to be under the influence of a narcotic, her behavior was very erratic, and fidgety.

Victim 2 stated she was inside the residence and noticed Ms. Coker on the front porch, and she seemed to be under the influence. Victim 2 stated she stepped outside and Ms. Coker pulled a gun back inside and called the police.

Victim 1 stated Ms. Coker arrived to the residence in a chevy truck. Ms. Coker then came up on the porch and pulled the firearm from her bra, and put victim 1 in fear. Victim 1 also advised Ms. Coker was high on meth.

Per Ms. Coker's criminal from her bra, so she stepped history she is a felon. Deputy charged Ms. Coker with aggravated assault, felon in possession of a firearm, possession of a firearm while under the influence, and public intoxication.



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#### Horoscopes

edge also gives you a greater responsibility to others. You intuitively know what's best, and now you must find a way to bring others around and help them see it from your perspective.

Virgo 8/23-9/22

You may be feeling rather anxious, Virgo. Perhaps you have a big date coming up and your mind is buzzing with how to make the best impression. Remember that the harder you try, the further away you'll push the object of your desire. The most important part of impressing another is having confidence. Relax. Libra 9/23-10/22

This could be one of those days in which you feel like you just can't get anything right, Libra. In an effort to appease other people, you may think you have to make some adjustments that make you feel uneasy. This uncomfortable feeling could turn into nervousness, restlessness, and eventually anger. Scorpio 10/23-11/21

You may feel a need to add some fantasy to your daily routine today, Scorpio. Do you have someone in mind you'd like Cupid's arrow to strike? Well, don't rely on a cherub to do your work for you. Get out and do some target practice of your own so you'll be prepared when you see the object of your desire across a crowded room.

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21

Your psychic sense is apt to be keen as you fill your mind with fanciful scenarios, Sagittarius. These pictures in your head aren't as farfetched as you might think. Today would be a good day to listen to your inner guidance - the aspect of yourself that's keyed into hearing subtle important messages.

Capricorn 12/22-01/19 You may be having a difficult

time getting your opinions across to others, Capricorn. For some, your ideas may seem too self-centered. For

others, you may come across as insensitive to the situation. Do your best to understand what others are telling you. Aquarius 1/20-2/18

The emotional swings that you could feel today might put a damper on your fantasy world, Aquarius. Remember that it's up to you to nurture these dreams. Try not to let the emotional tides of the day affect your long-range strategy for realizing your most treasured visions.

Pisces 2/19-3/20

People around you are apt to be touchy, Pisces, so be careful how you interact with them. You'll find that they can see beyond any sort of facade and easily detect dissention within the ranks. Be honest about your opinion, regardless of how you think it will be received.

Aries 3/21-4/19

While other people may be confused and distressed, you're actually the one with all the answers, Aries. Indeed. you're best equipped to deal with the difficult situations that are likely to arise on a day

like this. You have the ability to see through thick walls that others erect as barriers.

Taurus 4/20-5/20

Be passionate about the thing you love the most, Taurus. Instead of trying to eat every single thing at the buffet table, just pick one or two items that you like the best and eat them with great enjoyment. Feel free to take some for later

Gemini 5/21-6/20

You may feel like a skipping record, Gemini. You've been scratched and mistreated, and now you continue to repeat the same thing over and over until you've driven your point home. This isn't your doing, so don't be concerned if you hear protests that you're sending others over the edge.

Cancer 6/21-7/22

There could be some tough questioning your most cherished dreams. Cancer. Be careful about confronting someone who wants to poke holes in your idealism.

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Law enforcement agencies participating in the joint investigation which led to indictment and subsequent conviction of Cates and Chandler included the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) HIDTA Task Force. The FBI HIDTA Task Force includes the Roane County Sheriff's Office, Knoxville Police Department, Knox Sheriff's County Office, Blount County Sheriff's Office, and Sevier County Sheriff's Office. The Drug Enforcement Administration also assisted in this investigation by conducting drug analysis on seized narcotics in the case.

Assistant U.S. Attorneys Cynthia Davidson and Michael Gilmore represented the United States at trial.

This case was part of the Department's Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) and the HIDTA programs. OC-DETF is the primary weapon of the United States against the highest-level drug trafficking organizations operating within the United States, importing drugs into the United States, or laundering the proceeds of drug trafficking. The HIDTA program enhances and coordinates drug control efforts among local, State, and Federal law enforcement agencies. The program provides agencies with coordination, equipment, technology, and additional resources to combat drug trafficking and its harmful consequences in critical regions of the United States.

Police beat

Elder Antonio Garcia Perez,31, Mulberry Street Loudon, was charged with Identity Theft and No Drivers License.

Cpl. J. Sartin LCSO, observed a maroon Mazda traveling on Loudon Ridge that was crossing over the center

line multiple times. Sartin attempted a traffic stop at Loudon Ridge and Snodderly Drive. The vehicle continued driving at around 25 mph and turned on to Sugarlimb Rd. The vehicle continued until Deputy C. Bowen was able to block him at the Juvenile Center where he stopped. Sartin had a deputy from the Loudon County Jail come out to translate and found out the individual Mr. Elder Antonio Garcia Perez had no driver's license. Sartin had investigator C. Gray run his dog while talking to Mr. Garcia Perez and it alerted on the vehicle. Mr. Garcia Perez was asked if anything illegal was in the vehicle to which he stated no. A search of the

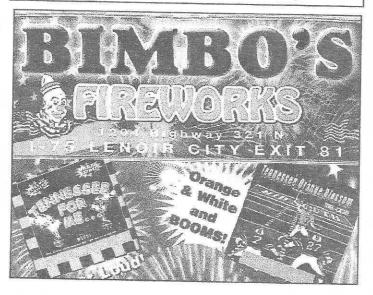
vehicle found a fake California driver's license with Mr. Garcia Perez's picture and the name Dingess". There was also a fake social security card for a Dingess. After checking the social through the Tennessee Criminal Justice Portal, it was found that it did not match Mr. Garcia Perez and did belong to an individual that matched the name Dingess. The California ID number was checked through dispatch and was found to belong to female out of Bakersfield, CA. Mr. Gracia Perez was taken into custody and charged with Identity Theft and License required. This did occur in Loudon County, TN.

#### **Public Notice**

The City of Philadelphia Mayor and Board of Aldermen will meet in a Workshop Meeting on Monday, August 26, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Philadelphia Public Library.

#### **Public Notice**

The City of Philadelphia Mayor and Board of Aldermen will meet in a Regular Monthly Meeting on Monday, August 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Philadelphia Public Library.



#### IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Regarding the Estate of: JANE STAUFFER THOMP-SON, deceased DKT# 7136 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 16TH DAY OF JULY 2024 Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of JANE STAUFFER THOMPSON who died on the 15TH DAY OF MAY 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 16TH DAY OF JULY 2024

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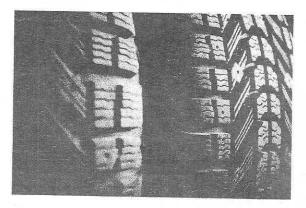
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