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Sex Offender Violates Registry “Arrest Me or Shoot Me” After Call Over Juvenile Man Tells Officer after Call



Mark Davis

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Thomas Nichols

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Man Passed Out Behind Wheel with Beer in Hand



Caleb Brannon

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The Financially Motivated Sextortion Threat FBI warns about dangers of online schemes targeting young adults and minors

The FBI this week issued a new warning about an evolving online threat targeting minors and young adults: financially motivated sextortion.

In these schemes, predators typically pretend to be alluring young girls to befriend teen boys—often on social media and gaming platforms. The predators then trick these teens into exchanging sexual-

ly explicit material or believing the predators have already obtained it.

Once the scammers have a victim’s pictures or video, they demand money to keep the explicit material from being shared with the victim’s family and friends. Even when victims comply, scammers often demand more money and escalate the threats.

The FBI saw a 20%

increase in reports of financially motivated sextortion incidents targeting minors during a six-month period that ended in March 2023, compared to the previous year. The scam is the latest iteration of sextortion, which has historically been driven by sexual gratification and control, but is now mostly mo-

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Verse of the Day

I pray ... that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know ... [God’s] incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of his

mighty strength, which he exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead... —Ephesians 1:17-20

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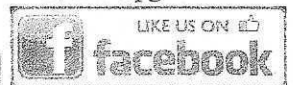
Weather

Today: Clear and cold. High of 34F.
Tonight: Rain. Low of 12F.
Saturday: Partly Cloudy. High of 22F.
Saturday night: Overcast. Low of 7F.

Sunday: Mostly sunny. High of 31F.
Sunday night: Clear. Low of 13F.

Horoscope

Capricorn 12/22-01/19
You may have been worrying about some-



Sex Offender

Mark Davis, 49, Homeless Loudon, was charged with Violation of Sex Offender Registry, and Establishing Residence Where Minors Reside.

Deputy Davis LCSO, responded to Grandview Drive, in reference to a welfare check for a 14-year-old juvenile advising that he was being assaulted. Upon arrival, Deputy made contact with the juvenile/victim who advised he had not been assaulted. The juvenile stated he was upset because his parents turned off his Wi-Fi. The juvenile later stated his parents also speak to him like a dog. Deputy made contact with the juvenile mother and his stepfather Mark Davis. Mark advised

the juvenile was upset because they turned off his Wi-Fi. Mark stated the reason why they turned off the Wi-Fi was due to the juvenile arguing with his mother. Dispatch later advised Mark was a convicted sex offender. Mark advised he reports to Detective Sergeant Carver in regard to being a sex offender. Sgt. Carver advised Mark has failed to register his home address in a timely manner. Deputy observed his property in the back bedroom of the residence, and it appears that he has established residency at Grandview Drive. Grandview Drive is located within 1,000 feet of a school (Steekee School Elementary School). Mark was taken into custody and charged with Violation of Sex Offender Registry and Violation of

Residential and Work Restrictions. Mark was transported to the Loudon County

Detention Facility. This incident occurred in Loudon County Tennessee.

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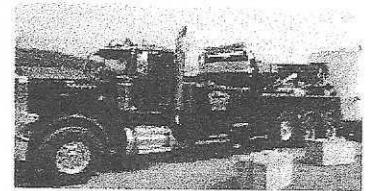
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DUI+

Caleb Brannon, 43, Bidle Street Warren PA., was charged with, DUI, Violation of Implied Consent, Driving on Revoked/Suspended License, and Open Container.

Officer T. LaForce LCPD, was dispatched to 983 City Park Dr. Lenoir City Tn. In regards to TWRA Officer C. Hardwick observed a unidentified male passed out in the driver seat of an blue Honda holding an alcoholic beverage in his hand and 3 more empty alcoholic beverage cans in the floor board opened, with the vehicle running and the lights on. Upon arrival Officer Law had the male step out of the vehicle in suspicion of the driver being impaired.

The male was identified by his PA driver license as Caleb D Brannon. 911 Dispatch Center, advised Mr. Brannon was suspended due to a DUI in PA. Mr. Brannon said he had been fishing for a few hours and during that time had consumed 3.5 alcoholic beverages. While speaking to Mr. Brannon the officer could smell an alcoholic beverage odor emitting from

his persons and observed him to have blood shot watery eyes. Mr. Brannon was asked if he would perform the standardized field sobriety test, in which he gave consent to the test. Officer did observe Mr. Brannon to have all 6 clues during the Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus test.

The walk and turn Mr. Brannon were unable to stay in the starting position during instructions, improper turn, incorrect number of steps on the way back and did not count out loud. The last test the one leg stand the officer observed Mr. Brannon to have all 4 clues. Due to the totality of the circumstances and Mr. Brannon being in control of the vehicle, he was placed under arrest for DUI. Mr. Brannon was read the Tennessee Blood and or Breath Consent Advisement and asked after the fact if he had any questions and was given the opportunity to give blood, in which he refused to provide a sample and understood the consciousness if refused. Mr. Brannon was transported to the Loudon County Jail without further incident

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Charged

Thomas Nichols, 35, Hartfield Lane Loudon, was charged with Domestic Assault.

Loudon County Dispatch received a 911 call that plotted at Hartfield Ln in Loudon City. Dispatchers stated that an upset female call asking about an emergency or-

der of protection and then phone hung up. Upon arrival Officer spoke with the victim who stated her Husband Thomas suffers from sever mental conditions that causes him to become violent toward her. The victim stated he was upset and as she was calling 911 he grabbed her phone and threw it across the bedroom. He then left

residents walking, As Officer was speaking with the victim on the front porch Mr. Nichols walked up agitated and stated "arrested Me or shoot me". Officer Newman advised Mr. Nichols to calm down he then began screaming at his wife to go back into the house, he also took a necklace off throwing it

and his wallet in the victim direction Officer then place him in handcuffs with out incident and placed him in the back of his patrol car. Officer determined Mr. Nichols to be the primary aggressor and arrested him for domestic violence assault said actions happened in Loudon count

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 tivated by greed. Minors and young adults caught in this trap often feel isolated, embarrassed, and cornered with seemingly no way out. In some cases, victims have turned to self-harm and suicide.

The FBI is urging parents, educators, caregivers, teens, and young adults to fully understand the dangers of financially motivated sextortion and to know there are options for those who need help.

“The consequences of sextortion are being felt across the country,” said FBI Director Christopher Wray. “We and our partners will relentlessly pursue criminals who perpetuate this deplorable activity.”

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Anyone being exploited in a sextortion scheme should do the following:

Understand you are not at fault and you are not alone

Ask for help from a trusted adult or law enforcement before sending money or more images. Cooperating with the predator rarely stops the blackmail and harassment—but law enforcement can

Report the predator’s account via the platform’s safety feature

Block the predator from contacting you

Report the scheme immediately to the FBI or local law enforcement

Save all interactions; those can help law enforcement identify and stop the predator

If sexually explicit images have been shared, visit the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children’s Take it Down tool or Is Your Content Out There? for potential removal

These public service announcements in multiple formats are available to download and share. They are among the resources on fbi.gov highlighting the dangers of financially motivated sextortion and providing options for young adults and teens who fall victim to these online scams.

From October 2021 to March 2023, the FBI and the Department of Home-

land Security’s Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) received over 13,000 reports of financial sextortion of minors. The crimes involved at least 12,600 victims—mostly boys—and led to at least 14 suicides during this time-frame. Meanwhile, the FBI is aware of over 20 deaths by suicide resulting from financially motivated sextortion. The offenders are usually **FBI ctd. pg. 7**

Public Notice

Loudon County Republican Women meets the 4th Monday of each month (except March, June, November, & December) at the Avalon Community Clubhouse (140 Deerfield Court; Lenoir City, TN 37772). Social time at 5:30 pm; meeting at 6:00 pm. Guest speaker for Monday, January 22, 2024 is Susan Harrison from the Loudon County Election Commission conducting “Election 101” to kick off the “Go VOTE TN” movement before the primaries. 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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Horoscopes

thing you did recently that you aren't very proud of. Today you'll discover that all that worrying was for nothing.

Aquarius 1/20-2/18

Not all friendships are the same, Aquarius. You may have learned that the hard way, but that's OK. Today you could feel like putting your friendships in some kind of order and getting a bit of perspective on things.

Pisces 2/19-3/20

Not only do you want to live life to the fullest every second, you also feel the need to leave your special mark on the world you live in. You just have to be creative in life, Pisces. You can't help it.

Aries 3/21-4/19

Your mind is in a period of great activity, and your curiosity about the world around you is practically insatiable. You're interested in anything and everything. You want to be able to understand everything from

the simplest to the most complicated.

Taurus 4/20-5/20

It's very difficult for you to reconcile your desire for creativity and originality in your life to the constraints that society puts on you to be an efficient, productive person, Taurus.

Gemini 5/21-6/20

You seem to have a lot of resentment toward someone who may have hurt you. Don't keep these feelings inside or they'll eat away at you, Gemini. Take advantage of your day today to put all your cards on the table and forget about revenge, because it could just turn against you.

Cancer 6/21-7/22

Today, Cancer, you may feel like hiding yourself away in your ivory tower and watching the performance that is going on before your eyes. And why not, if this allows you to get the perspective you need on things?

Leo 7/23-8/22

Have you been wanting to talk to your partner about something important, Leo? Well, it's up to you to make the first move. In fact, that's just what your partner is waiting for you to do.

Virgo 8/23-9/22

You enjoy your freedom, Virgo. You're a very independent person and you hate it when anything gets in your way. That's all right, but you may want to take a look at your financial situation even if that's not really your thing.

Libra 9/23-10/22

Today is a good day to take chances, Libra. You may be quite successful if you're ready to defend the things you

really care about.

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

You have a kind of creativity that knows no bounds today, Scorpio, and a kind of originality that knows no limits. How are you going to go about expressing this rich creativity that abounds inside of you?

Sagittarius 11/22-12/21

This is an ideal day to take a look at your financial situation, so get out your bank statements or dividend reports. Try and pretend that you're with your banker and describing your situation as objectively as possible.

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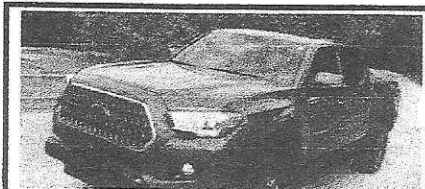
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IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

(As required by Chapter No 175, Public Acts of Tennessee 1939 As Amended by Public Chapter 827 on 05/09/2012)

IN REGARDS TO THE ESTATE OF: DOCKET NO: 7009 CHARLES ELBERT BALES, JR., deceased, a resident of Loudon County, TN

Notice is hereby given that on the 11th DAY OF JANUARY 2024 Letters of Administration in respect of the Estate of CHARLES ELBERT BALES, JR., who died on the 21ST DAY OF OCTOBER 2023, were 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 above named 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

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THIS THE 11TH DAY OF JANUARY 2024

STEVE HARRELSON, CLERK

BY: Penny Glasgow, Sr. Deputy Clerk

By Personal Representative(s) DONNA S. BALES

Notice to Creditors:

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

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IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Regarding the Estate of: CHARLOTTE J. COOPER BROTHERS, deceased DKT#7008

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 10TH DAY OF JANUARY 2024 Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of CHARLOTTE J. COOPER BROTHERS who died on the 10th day of DECEMBER 2023 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:

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Steve Harrelson, Clerk

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By Personal Representative(s) ROBERT ERIC WEAVER

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IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Regarding the Estate of: JAMES LLOYD MILLSAPS, deceased DKT# 7006

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 THE 9th (st/nd/rd/th) DAY OF JANUARY 2024, Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of JAMES LLOYD MILLSAPS who died on the 9TH day of DECEMBER 2023 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:

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THIS THE 9th (st/nd/rd/th) DAY OF JANUARY 2024

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By Personal Representative(s) RITA DAVIS

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located outside of the United States—primarily in west African countries like Nigeria and Ivory Coast or Southeast Asian countries such as the Philippines.

The threat has not abated in the year since the FBI and HSI issued a warning about sextortion, but investigators and victim advocates hope that educating parents and children about the dangers of sextortion—and ways to cope afterwards—can help stem the problem and protect kids.

“It is up to all of us to reassure them that they are not in trouble, there is hope, and they are not alone.”

FBI Director Christopher Wray

“Victims may feel like there is no way out,” Director Wray has said. “It is up to all of us to reassure them that they are not in trouble, there is hope, and they are not alone.”

If you or someone you know believes that they are a victim of sextortion or financially motivated sextortion, immediately report the activity to law enforcement. You can report it to the FBI by calling 1-800-CALL-FBI or visiting tips.fbi.gov.

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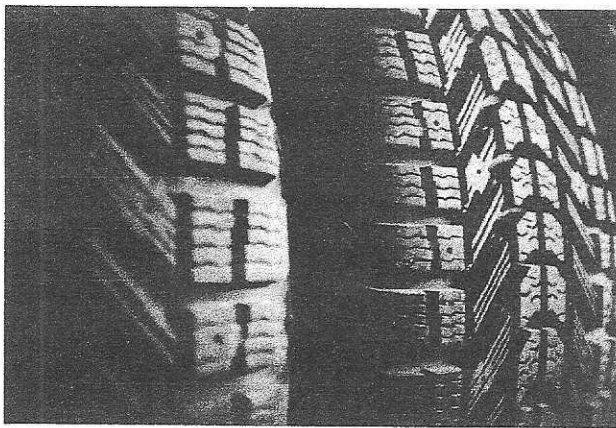
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