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Wednesday, April 19, 2023

Heroin and Meth Found on Passenger in Traffic Stop is Driver After Traffic Stop Wanted



Jennifer Whitsell



Ramon Constantino see Wanted pg.3

DUI, Violation of Implied Consent and More After Passing Out in Taco Bell Line

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Investigation Details a Host of Failures in the Town of Mason

Former Town Employees Indicted for Theft and Former Mayor Investigated

The Tennessee Comptroller's Office has released a lengthy investigation covering nearly seven years of malfeasance within the Town of Mason in Tipton County. The investigative report has resulted in the indictments of former town finance officer Reva Marshall, and the town's human

resources manager Michele Scott. The town's former mayor, who served from 2015 to 2018, was also investigated.

The former mayor misappropriated at least \$8,774.43 from the town for her personal gain. This includes improper reimbursements and expenses related to various trips, meals, and other personal expenses. For example, in January 2018 she traveled to

Monrovia, Liberia on a 10-day trip; the town paid for her airfare, hotel stay, visa and passport applications, and immunizations. A former town employee stated the trip was a personal vacation. The former mayor lost her re-election campaign in November 2018.

Former finance officer Reva Marshall received at least \$80,421.89 in improper

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Hollie Zaki

See DUI pg. 4

Verse of the Day

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near.

—Philippians 4:4-5

Wazzup

Facebook Warriors are the worst kind of cowards.

Weather

Today: Sunny. High of 82F.

Tonight: Clear. Low of 51F.

Thursday: Sunny. High of 84F.

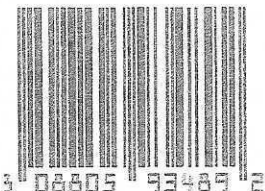
Thursday night: Clear. Low of 56F.

Horoscope

Aries 3/21-4/19

Even though you're slaving away at work,

your mind is very much on romance. Passion is running high, especially yours, Aries! If you already have a romantic partner, why not plan an intimate evening to-



Stop

Jennifer Whitsell, 37, Currier Lane Knoxville, was charged with Simple Possession, Mfg/Del/Sale or Poss. Of Meth, Poss. Of Drug Para., Driving on Revoked/Suspended License, and Lights required on Motor Vehicle.

Sgt Rogers LCSO, observed a Red Chevy Tahoe traveling North on Hwy 11 with a defective passenger side brake light. The vehicle also crossed the center line twice. Sgt. initiated traffic stop in the area of Muddy Creek Rd and made contact with the driver Ms. Jennifer Whitsell. Ms. Whitsell was shaking uncontrollably,

and stated she had a license but did not have it with her. While speaking to Ms. Whitsell she kept moving objects around in her person without a reason to do so. Sgt. had Ms. Whitsell exit the vehicle and upon further questioning she stated she had used heroin in the past. Loudon E911 confirmed Ms. Whitsell did have a suspended driver's license. Sgt. took Ms. Whitsell into custody, and she then advised him that there were uncapped needles in her purse. After searching her purse, Sgt. did recover; 4 cut straws with residue, one bag of a brown crystal-like substance Ms. Whitsell identified as Meth (0.4g), one bag with a clear crystal-like substance

that she identified as meth (0.7g) and a third bag of a white powdery substance she identified as Heroin (0.6g). Ms. Whitsell was charged with Possession of Meth, Simple possession of Sched-

ule I, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and Driving on a Suspended License. Sgt. transported the offender to the Loudon County Jail. Said did occur in Loudon County, Tn.

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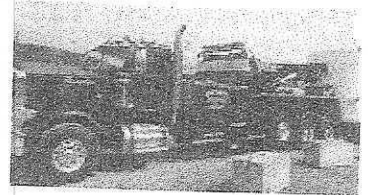
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Ramon Constantino, 29, Finley Drive Lenoir City, was charged with Attachment, and Criminal Impersonation.

Officer Parmer LCPD, was on patrol when Officer observed a black Honda Civic, bearing TN tag 730BKPR, with tinted tail-lights, inoperable registration lights, and a license plate frame obstructing a portion of the registration.

Officer initiated a stop on the vehicle at Starbucks, 870 Hwy 321 N, and made contact with the driver, 27-year-old, the front seat passenger, 24-year-old, and the rear seat passenger, who provided Officer the name Jose with the birth year of 1993.

Lt. Dragon arrived at the stop and positively identified the back seat passenger as 29-year-old Ramon Constantino Aguilera. Lt. Dragon inquired about

Mr. Constantino Aguilera's name, to which Mr. Constantino Aguilera confirmed his identity. Mr. Constantino Aguilera was ran through central dispatch to which he returned with a warrant out of Loudon County Circuit Court (#18-CR-94).

Mr. Constantino Aguilera was placed into cus-

tody and transported to Loudon County Jail where he was served on his warrant and charged with Criminal Impersonation. The passenger and driver were released with a verbal warning for the traffic infractions.

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DUI

Hollie Zaki, 50, Kelly Lane Lenoir City, was charged with DUI, Violation of Implied Consent, Poss. Of Drug Para., and Contraband in Penal Institution.

Officers with LCPD, were dispatched to the Taco Bell on Hwy 321 for a Welfare check on a female who appeared to be nodding off while in the drive thru line in her vehicle. Officers arrived on scene and observed a female (Hollie Zaki) at the drive thru menu in her vehicle (681BGHW) and appeared to be asleep while attempting to order. Officers woke the female up and asked her to shut off her vehicle and hand her keys over for the safety of the other vehicles in the drive thru. Zaki appeared to be very disoriented, and had a very lethargic, and slurred speech while stating to officers that she was just sleepy. Zaki was asked if she had taken any medication that

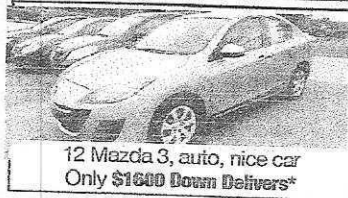
would impair her ability to drive and stated that she only took her medicine for her knees. Zaki consented to step out and perform a Field Sobriety Test and also consented to a search of her vehicle. No Nystagmus was detected during the HGN but Zaki did have pinpoint pupils. The Walk and Turn and One Leg stand were both unable to be performed properly due to Zaki stating that her Knee was bothering her and being very unstable on her feet. During the search of the vehicle, Officers found a cut straw, located in the wallet of Zaki covered in a white, powdery residue. Officer then asked Zaki to see inside her nostrils and also noticed a residue inside of the left nostril. Zaki eventually admitted to officers that she has had problems with addiction and currently takes methadone but stated she hadn't in the last little bit. Due to the totality of the circumstanc-

es and the state Zaki was in when Officers arrived, Zaki was placed in custody and charged for driving under the influence and transported to the Loudon Co Jail. The paraphernalia was photographed and left in the vehicle which was impounded by Moneymakers.

Deputy J. Bowling LCSO, came in contact with Ms. Hollie Zaki in the sallyport of the Loudon County Detention Center. Officer G. Eldridge with Lenoir City Police Department brought Ms. Zaki to jail for Driving Under the Influence. Deputy then asked Ms. Zaki if she had anything on her or in her person that was illegal that she needed to tell her about she stated "No". Deputy proceeded with the intake process and told her if she found anything that she would charge her with Introduction Into a Penal Facility. Ms.

Zaki stated "No again". Deputy walked Ms. Zaki into the pat down room and continued with the intake process. Deputy had Ms. Zaki place her feet on the blue foot prints and her hands on the wall so she could conduct a pat down of her person. Note that Ms. Zaki was incoherent at times and started to nod off while standing there while Deputy was patting her down. After Deputy conducted her pat down and logged her personal property herself and Deputy A. Tipton escorted Ms. Zaki into the female change out room so she could be dressed out. Bowling and Deputy Tipton started with the strip search. Ms. Zaki was hesitant about taking her clothes off in front of them. Deputies finally got her to start to take her tank top off but she started shifting the shirt and tried to

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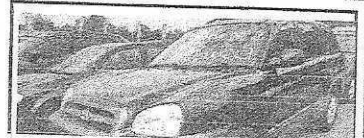


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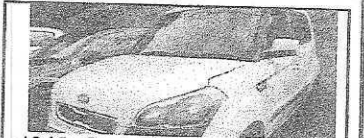


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Mason
 er wages, benefits, and reimbursements from the town. Investigators found that Marshall submitted timesheets reflecting approximately 2,908 hours of actual time worked; however, she received compensation for 7,000 hours of work. Marshall approved her own timesheets and processed payroll for all town employees until she left her employment with the town in July 2022.

Human resources manager Michele Scott improperly received \$40,622.68 in wages and benefits from the town. Scott's timesheets showed she worked approximately 5,392 hours; however, she received compensation for 7,920 hours.

Both Marshall and Scott also worked full-time for the Memphis-Shelby County School System (MSCSS) while they worked for the Town of Mason. Investigators determined both women double-dipped by receiving compensation from both MSCSS and the Town of Mason for the same hours of work.

Marshall claimed to be working for both entities simultaneously for approximately 812 hours resulting in \$22,642.14 in improper wages and benefits from MSCSS. Scott claimed to work for both entities simultaneously for 264 hours resulting in \$10,242.36 in

improper wages and benefits from MSCSS.

Comptroller investigators have also questioned an additional \$11,818.67 of questionable credit card transactions and reimbursements facilitated by the former mayor, and another \$45,691.81 of questionable and unsupported credit cards transactions and reimbursements by town employees.

The Comptroller's Office continues to have enhanced supervision over the Town of Mason's fiscal condition. This includes ensuring the town maintains a balanced budget; requiring the town to provide monthly financial records and reports to the Comptroller's Office; and requiring implementation of policies to address audit findings.

Based upon this investigation, in March 2023, the Tipton County Grand Jury indicted Reva Marshall on one count of theft over \$10,000, one count of theft under \$1,000, and one count of official misconduct. Michele Scott was indicted on one count of theft over \$10,000, one count of theft over \$2,500, and one count of official misconduct.

The Shelby County Grand Jury also handed down indictments against both women in March 2023. Reva Marshall has been indicted on one count of theft over \$10,000.

and one count of official misconduct. Michele Scott was indicted on one count of theft over \$10,000, and one count of official misconduct.

"The investigative report includes a list of eight significant deficiencies in the town's government operations that not only led to misappropriation, but have also contributed to the town's long history of audit findings and financial trouble," said

Comptroller Jason Mumpower. "In particular, town officials have failed to properly oversee payroll, credit card transactions, cell phones, vehicle maintenance, travel, and inventory. The town has also allowed various hired consultants to have too much control over the town's operations and finances."

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Taurus 4/20-5/20

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Gemini 5/21-6/20

You have a lot to celebrate, Gemini, especially where your love life is concerned. Today you may receive a communication from your loved one that makes you yearn for this person's company.

Cancer 6/21-7/22

There's a lot of work to be done today, and much of it centers on finances. Whether you're working on budgets or investments, you will easily finish the task. Your trusty computer will help you as you discover a new website that supports your efforts or post a question in a financial chatroom that yields many responses.

Leo 7/23-8/22

You may be privy to some information today that will ultimately

result in financial gain, Leo. You may get wind of a new company and be one of the first investors. Or perhaps what you hear gives you an idea for a new product that you bring to market yourself.

Virgo 8/23-9/22

Expect to receive some great news today, Virgo. Answer your phone and check email all day, because you never know when it will come. Indications suggest that success in all aspects of your life is coming. You may complete a project to acclaim or submit a report that's accepted without question.

Libra 9/23-10/22

Your optimistic nature has served you well. This quality makes you a great manager since you can motivate and inspire co-workers. Today you may be recognized for your leadership abilities and can-do attitude. Your reward might be a promotion or bonus, or perhaps another project even more challenging than the last.

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

You woke up feeling happy and enthusiastic, Scorpio. Your intuition tells you that you will

achieve whatever you set your mind to. Whatever your goals - career, education, or personal - you're bound to succeed. If you don't have a significant other by your side to support your progress, all signs indicate that you will meet someone soon.

Sagittarius

11/22-12/21

Whether you spend today with your feet on the ground or in an airplane, you're eager and enthusiastic about your life direction. If you aren't on your way to a distant land, it's likely that you will be airborne soon, Sagittarius. You've achieved tremendous success lately and that trend is going to continue.

Capricorn 12/22-01/19

calculator as you balance your checkbook or begin to work on your budget. Even if you don't consider yourself particularly good with numbers, you will do a great job. You're conscientious. Success in all endeavors is indicated today.

Pisces 2/19-3/20

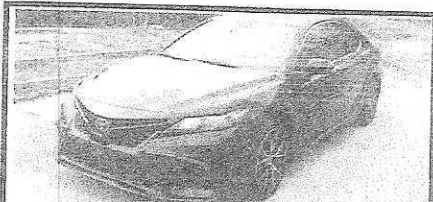
An unexpected financial windfall could come your way today, Pisces. You may stand there with an open envelope in your hand, unable to speak. Whether it's an unanticipated bonus, gift, or surprising stock dividend, invest the money wisely. You've spent a lot of money recently, and it would be good for you to begin to replenish the bank account.

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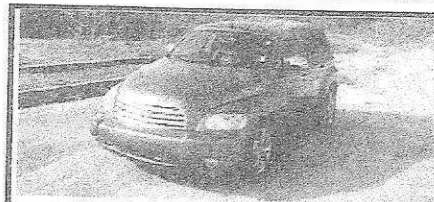
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 bunch up the upper part of it to try to hide the small clear baggie with a grey powdery substance in it. Deputies had Ms. Zaki spread her legs like she was going to do the splits and bend over at her waist and place her hands flat on the floor in front of her. Deputy instructed Ms. Zaki to cough hard "three good times". After doing a thorough strip search, Deputy had Ms. Zaki stand straight up and lift up her breast and due to her size Deputy had her lift her excess skin folds up to make sure nothing else was concealed on her person. That was when Deputy had her get dressed and Bowling and Deputy Tipton exited the room. Deputy took the clear baggie to OIC Martin and stated that we needed to call the on call narcotics detective so the grey powdery substance could be tested. Deputy put the clear baggie in a evidence bag and it was sealed. Bowling and Deputy Tipton went to check on Ms. Zaki. Deputy then proceeded to ask her what was in the baggie and she stated " umm I'm not really sure it's probably heroin or something. It's been in that shirt for a while." Deputy asked her how long is a while? When was the last time you changed clothes? She stated " well I change them everyday!" But you didn't see that in your shirt when you put it on? Deputy told her that is hard to believe that it stayed there that long. Ms. Zaki was then placed into holding cell 2 with out further incident. Narcotics detective Ezell was called in and tested the grey powdery substance which it turned out to be 1 gram of Fentanyl. End of report. This did happen at the Loudon County Detention Center.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR LOUDON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Regarding the Estate of: **KENNETH EDWARD DARNELL**, deceased DKT# 6829

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 13TH DAY OF APRIL 2023 Letters of Testamentary in respect of the estate of **KENNETH EDWARD DARNELL** who died on the 27TH DAY of APRIL 2022 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 above-named 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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(2) Twelve (12) months from the decedent's date of death.

THIS THE 13TH DAY OF APRIL 2023

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 BY: Penny Glasgow, Deputy Clerk

Robyn Shannon, Deputy Clerk
 By Personal Representative(s)
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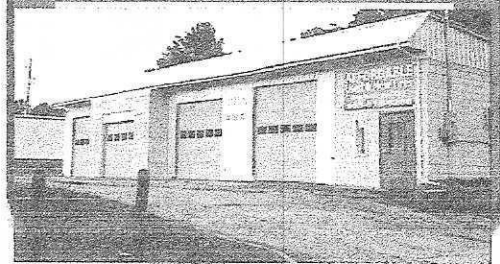
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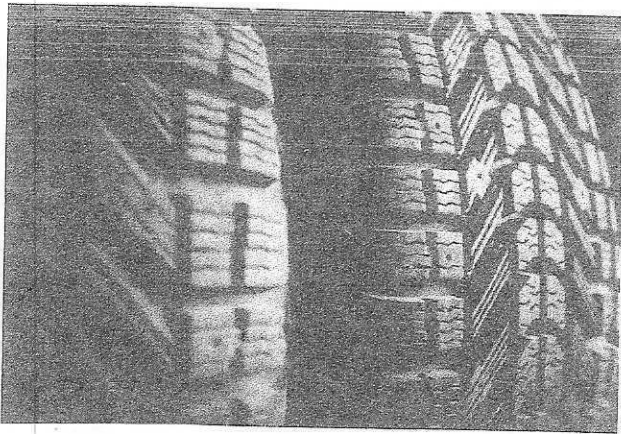
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