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Discipleship Program.

"We have an opportunity to take a person whose life is falling apart, and literally separate them from their current condition, and place them into a home for a year to 18 months, and take them through a rigorous program that will allow them the opportunity to rebuild their life," said Rivera.

The transitional home will be located at 18 Veterans Memorial Drive, known locally as the Plantation House, and is based on a 20-year program at the L.A. Dream Center.

"It's not a shelter," said Rivera, stressing that people shouldn't think of it as a typical homeless shelter.

"The vetting process is very difficult," said Rivera, citing the use of random drug testing and background checks for eligibility. "What I want you to understand is that the transitional home - there's just not another way to pronounce that, there are no better words to pick - but it's actually a program that is



a year to 18 months long, and it gives us the opportunity to really invest in a few people's lives."

Also in the meeting, Wayne and Judy Jolley of Cabin Coffee Company, which is being constructed in the old Chevron Building on the square, spoke to the mayor and city council.

The Jolleys expressed their appreciation for the city

and Downtown Development Authority for helping them come to the square, before asking the council a few questions.

Their primary concern was parking and customer safety.

"We're just wanting to understand what the plans, if any, are for Cleveland Street going south as far as parking spaces," said Wayne Jolley.

"There are some there, but they're not very well designated right now."

Cabin Coffee will feature nine to 12 on-site parking spaces, and the Jolleys were wondering if the city had any plans to restripe the spaces available on the street.

"I think we can assure you that when you get ready to finish your parking area, and also as far as the on-street parking, we can always take care of new striping and make sure the parking areas are designated," said Mayor Conley. "There may be some sidewalk work right in there that we'll need to do, which I'm sure that the council will be happy to oblige, but as far as anything that we can do for you, just let us know, and we can hash it out."

And in his department head report, Blairsville Chief of Police Johnny Carroll informed city council that the police department responded to 99 calls in January, as well as patrolled 7,247 miles to start the New Year.

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As a result, he was Tasered by BPD officers Dustin Walker and Sgt. Shawn Dyer as the officers attempted to put him in custody.

Meanwhile, Thompson was indicted on charges of three counts burglary in the first-degree, and burglary in the second-degree, and two counts criminal attempt to commit a

felony, the indictments show.

One of those counts of criminal attempt to commit a felony, according to the indictments, accuses Thompson of attempting to commit arson in November 2014, the indictments show.

Grand jurors indicted the Mitchell brothers on charges of aggravated assault, and armed

robbery in connection with the Dec. 8, 2014 armed robbery of the Dollar General Store, off the old Blue Ridge Highway, the indictment shows.

Meanwhile, grand jurors indicted Hornick on three counts of sexual exploitation of children, the indictment shows. Hornick was arrested during a Georgia Bureau of Investiga-

tion sting targeting child pornography in October, according to the GBI.

Carl Junior Farmer was indicted for three counts child molestation, and three counts sexual battery against a child, related to incidents involving a child under 16, according to the indictment.



Blairsville Restaurant to re-open soon

The World Famous Blairsville Restaurant is sched-

uled to reopen towards the end of the week.

The reason the restaurant is reopening, well, there was sort of a business-altering event that forced that decision.

A Toyota Camry inadvertently crashed through the BR, striking the buffet, and creating a crater in the wall nearby.

Blairsville Police Department Assistant Chief Michael Baxter said that luckily there were no injuries when the vehicle crashed into the front of the building around 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 3.

Baxter said the crash was accidental and the result of the driver pressing the accelerator instead of the brake.

The vehicle, which was pulling into a parking space, entered the front of the building, over a parking curb, through a support post, and came to rest inside, between the cash register and the buffet area. Luckily the breakfast rush was over and the approximately 40 patrons inside had already sat down to eat.

Nobody was harmed, with the exception of the appetites of those who frequent the eatery Monday-Friday and were forced to make another eating decision.

Mayor Conley for one is happy to hear that the eatery is almost back to normal.

"I don't think they've got a new window yet, so that will be boarded up, but as far as serving meals again, it's my understanding that will happen soon," Mayor Conley said. "That's music to my ears."



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Road, off Georgia 515. Grand Jurors also indicted Gibson for an alleged statutory rape that occurred, between June 2013 and July 2013, a separate indictment shows.

That indictment, which involved a second alleged victim, also indicted Gibson for three counts child molestation, enticing a child for indecent purposes, and aggravated child molestation, the indictment shows.

A third indictment alleges that Gibson raped a third victim between June 2012 and July 30, 2012.

That indictment also accuses Gibson of false imprisonment of the third victim between April 2012 and Sept. 30, 2012.

Gibson received time served from Aug. 17, 2013 until his plea agreement with the En-tah Judicial Circuit.