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Athens, Tennessee

Tuesday - December 21, 2010

LOCAL - STATE NEWS

◆ CAB DRIVER BEATEN AND ROBBED

Athens police are searching for two men who robbed a taxi driver Saturday night. Christopher Gatlin, a driver for Quik Taxi Cab of Cleveland, gave two black males a ride from SkyRidge Medical Center in Cleveland to the Clem Jones Apartments on Frances Street in Athens. When they arrived at their destination, the two passengers attacked the cab driver, knocking him to the ground. They took his money and ran. Gatlin suffered a busted nose and rib injuries.

◆ ETOWAH TO DROP 911 SERVICE

Beginning January 3rd, when Etowah residents call 911 the call will be answered by the McMinn County 911 Center's dispatchers. The city of Etowah has decided to do away with its 911 dispatch service. Etowah Mayor Burke Garwood says the change will save the city about \$70,000 next year.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

√ Nominations are being accepted for Athens "Young Man of the Year." Candidates must be 39 years of age or younger. Nominations should be sent to: The President's Office, Tennessee Wesleyan College, 204 East College St., Athens, TN 37303. The deadline for nominations is January 10th, 2011.

NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

◆ British police have arrested a dozen men suspected of plotting a large-scale terror attack on targets inside the United Kingdom.

◆ Newark Airport's "Terminal A" was closed for nearly an hour Monday because of a suspicious package. The terminal was reopened after officials determined the package contained a harmless computer monitor.

◆ Snow and frigid temperatures caused travel disruptions across northern Europe for a third day on Monday, stranding travelers, snarling traffic, and closing schools. Forecasters say the bad weather is likely to continue through Christmas.

◆ North Korea has backed-off on its threats to retaliate against South Korea for military drills and reportedly offered concessions on its nuclear program.

◆ Merriam-Webster has named "austerity" as its Word of the Year for 2010. Austerity is a 14th Century noun defined as "the quality or state of being austere" and "enforced or extreme economy." The move by the Greek government to pass a series of strict austerity measures sparked angry protests, strikes, and riots. It also incited a rush to online dictionaries from those searching for a definition of austerity.

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Athens, Tennessee

WHO'S NEW IN PINK & BLUE?

Matthew Dean James Elder was born December 13th at Athens Regional Medical Center. He weighed 5 pounds and 2 ounces and was 17 inches long. His parents are Catherine and Curtis Elder of Decatur.

John David Long was born December 13th at ARMC. He weighed 8 pounds and 6 ounces and was 20 inches long. His parents are Kayla and John Long of Etowah.

Laylianna Rain Stewart was born December 16th at ARMC. She weighed 8 pounds and was 19 inches long. Her parents are Heaven and Johan Stewart of Athens.

OBITUARIES:

Lillian Haney, age 95, of Athens died Monday at Life Care of Athens. She retired from Ridge Textile and later worked in the Dietary Department of Life Care Center of Athens. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Smith Funeral Home, with visitation from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Joyce L. Allison, age 68, of Athens died Monday at her residence. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.

HONORING THE RESPONDERS

An award ceremony was held at the Etowah Rescue Squad and Rural Fire Department Christmas banquet this past Saturday night.

Lt. FF/EMT Kevin Elliott was named Top Responder, First Responders First Responder Lynette Ruebush-2nd Place Responder, 1st Responders FF/FR Carla Ooten - 3rd Place Responder, First Responders FF/FR Carla Ooten - Top Responder, Fire & other incidents Senior FF Jeremy Harrison - 2nd Place, Fire & other incidents First Responder Lynette Ruebush - 3rd Place, Fire & other incidents Lt. Troy Harrison - Officer of the Year Senior FF Jeremy Harrison - Fire/Rescue Technician of the Year FF Ali Rayburn - Rookie of the Year Lt. Dustin Ruebush - Explorer of the Year FF/FR Carla Ooten - Chief's Citation Life Member Jay Thomson - Chief's Citation



L-R: Lt. Kevin Elliott, Chief Brandon Frost, & Carla Ooten



Chief Frost presents award to Lynette Ruebush

(Photos by Jay Thomson)

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THIS DAY IN HISTORY- Dec. 21

1620 - The Pilgrims arrived at Plymouth, Massachusetts, following a 63-day voyage aboard the Mayflower. They had left England in search of religious freedom.

1898 - Scientists Pierre and Marie Curie discovered the radioactive element radium.

1913 - The first crossword puzzle was published in the Sunday supplement of the New York World newspaper.

1937 - Walt Disney's classic movie "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" opened in Los Angeles. It was the first full-length animated feature film. (The dwarfs' names were Sleepy, Grumpy, Sneezy, Happy, Bashful, Dopey, and Doc)

1988 - A bomb exploded aboard a Pam Am Boeing 747 over Lockerbie, Scotland, killing 270 people, including 11 on the ground. (A Libyan man was convicted in 2001 and sentenced to life in prison. He was released from a Scottish prison in 2009 on compassionate grounds.)

WHEN RADIO WAS

Old-Time Radio Shows
6:05-7 pm Nightly
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Tonight:

**Theatre of Romance &
Burns & Allen Show**

WEATHER

Tuesday - Cloudy. 50% rain. High-upper 40's.

Tuesday night - Mostly cloudy. 30% rain. Low-38.

Wednesday - Partly sunny. High-upper 40's.

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