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Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

- ◆ **ATHENS DRIVERS PLACE IN AASBD**
 The 75th running of the All American Soap Box Derby in Akron, Ohio was well represented by drivers from Athens on Saturday. Nathan Turner made it to the 3rd heat of the Stock Division, putting him in the top 18 before he was eliminated from the race. Jacob Whiting raced in the Super Stock division and made it through the first heat before he was eliminated. Haylee Rodgers placed in the top 20 of the Super Kids division, making it to the fourth heat. The drivers will appear on WYXI RADIO early Monday morning and will participate in the grand prize drawing of Derby souvenirs. Click [HERE](#) to see photos of the drivers.
- ◆ **POLK COUNTY WRECK CLAIMS TWO LIVES**
 A one-vehicle wreck in Polk County has taken the lives of 20-year-old David Hall and 15-year-old Kristen Bray of Ducktown. The Tennessee Highway Patrol says that their car ran off Highway 64 near Ducktown and flipped several times. A third occupant, 20-year-old Eric Dillar of Copperhill was injured. The wreck happened late last Wednesday night.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

- ◆ The shooting suspect, James Holmes, who went on a deadly rampage inside a Colorado theater on Friday, planned the attack with "calculation and deliberation," according to Aurora police, receiving deliveries for months. Police believe the items armed him for battle and were used to booby trap his apartment.
- ◆ The University of Colorado said it's investigating whether shooting suspect James Holmes used his position as a graduate student to order materials in the potentially deadly booby traps that police said they found in his apartment.
- ◆ The statue of Penn State's late, disgraced former football coach Joe Paterno has been taken down, after university officials announced early Sunday their decision to remove it.
- ◆ A Kentucky girl, who was sexually assaulted, could face contempt of court charges after she tweeted the names of her juvenile attackers. Savannah Dietrich, the 17-year-old victim, was frustrated by a plea deal by the two boys who assaulted her, and took to Twitter to expose them, violating a court order.
- ◆ Ernie Els has won his fourth major championship in an astonishing finish, rallying to beat Adam Scott in the British Open when the Aussie bogeyed the last four holes.

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Athens, Tennessee

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Tennessee Wesleyan College President Harley Knowles accepts a scholarship donation from John Workman, Athens Regional Medical Center CEO. The second of three installments, the generous donation will fund nursing scholarships at the college. During the last five years, LifePoint Hospitals, Athens Regional Medical Center's parent company, has made several scholarship donations to Tennessee Wesleyan through the LifePoint Community Foundation. LifePoint's foundation supports regional cancer organizations, provides scholarships to young nursing students, helps provide food and shelter to the homeless and assists in protecting women and children fleeing domestic violence.



◆ **TENNESSEE'S UNEMPLOYMENT GOING UP**
Tennessee's unemployment rate increased to 8.1% in June, the highest rate since January, but substantially below the 9.4% rate in June of last year. Tennessee's 8.1% jobless rate is just under the national rate of 8.2%.

Obituaries

Charles Dave McMahan, age 92, of Athens, died Friday morning at Tennessee State Veterans Home in Knoxville. A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Double Springs Cemetery. Visitation will be 5 to 7 p.m. Monday at Smith Funeral Home.

Gladys "Sally" Brite, age 93, of Athens, died Thursday night at Athens Regional Medical Center. She was the mother of Nancy Perdue of Athens. Graveside services were held Sunday at Cedar Grove Cemetery with Smith Funeral in charge of arrangements.

A 2-vehicle crash Friday afternoon at the intersection of Highway 30 and Athens Pike in Etowah caused injuries. Matthew Buchanan was driving the 2004 Ford Focus (pictured) at a high rate of speed and drove under a 2002 Ford F-350 pickup that was stopped at a red light. The pickup was driven by Joe Underwood of Etowah. Underwood complained of head pain but refused transport by AMR. Both vehicles were towed. Photo by Jay Thomson.



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