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 Athens, Tennessee

Wednesday-March 13, 2013

Local & State News

◆ 3RD ROBBERY IN ONE WEEK IN AREA

For the third time in less than a week, an armed robber has struck at a McMinn County convenience store. The latest robbery took place Monday night at the Jiffy Market on South White Street in Athens. The clerk says a white male wearing a mask and a jacket walked into the store, pulled a handgun, and demanded all the money. The clerk says she gave the money in the register to the robber, who fled around the side of the building on foot.

◆ WHERE WERE YOU 20 YEARS AGO?

The "Blizzard of '93" took place in Tennessee and surrounding states 20 years ago today. Residents of the Athens area woke up to about 19 inches of snow that Saturday morning. Roads were impassible, schools were closed for a week, and electricity was out for as long as a week for some residents. Members of the Tennessee National Guard used tanks and other vehicles to rescue people, deliver supplies, take dialysis patients to the hospital, and check on the well-being of people who were stranded in their homes. The weight of the snow caused several chicken houses in McMinn County to collapse. WYXI & WLAR radio combined forces to keep listeners informed during the weather emergency. (Storm photos on Page 2)

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NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ Seven months after NASA's rover Curiosity landed on Mars to assess if the planet most like Earth had the ingredients for life, scientists have their answer: Yes. Analysis of powdered samples drilled out from inside an ancient and once water-soaked rock at the rover's landing site show clays, sulfates and other minerals that are all key to life.

◆ A Boeing plan to redesign the 787 Dreamliner's fire-plagued lithium-ion batteries won approval Tuesday from the Federal Aviation Administration, although officials gave no estimate for when the planes would be allowed to fly passengers again.

◆ The 19-year-old woman who was driving a Honda SUV Sunday, in which she and 5 other teens died, did not have a valid driver license. A passenger in the front seat pleaded for her to slow down, but she speeded even faster and started "driving crazy", according to the 2 survivors. The SUV struck a guardrail and flipped upside-down in a pond. The six teens that died all drowned.

◆ A German lieutenant, Ewald-Heinrich von Kleist volunteered to wear a suicide vest to try and kill Adolph Hitler. Kleist was the last survivor of 'Valkyrie', the plot to kill Hitler. He died at age 90.

◆ The new owner of Hostess hopes to have the iconic Twinkie snack cakes back on store shelves by this summer.

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An EG Fisher Public Library
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Presented in 2 parts: Thursdays,
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Athens, Tennessee

BLIZZARD PHOTOS

Readers have brought us several photos from the "Blizzard of '93." The scenes below were taken by Charlsie Langley on County Road 750.



The photo below came from George Sitzlar on County Road 708.



More Blizzard Photos

The photo to the right shows a plow truck working to remove snow from the streets of Athens. (Photo courtesy of the Daily-Post Athenian)



Obituaries

Nancy J. Boney, age 66, of Athens died last Friday at her home after a battle with cancer. She had been a clerk for the McMinn County Property Assessor's Office. A memorial service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at St. Paul's Episcopal Church with visitation from noon until 1 p.m. at the church. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Frank Alexian Varosian, age 71, of Athens, died Monday at his home. He was a self-employed electrician until his retirement. A funeral service will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Smith Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at Smith Funeral Home.


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