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Monday, August 11, 2014

Athens, Tennessee

## State & Local News

### ◆ APD INVESTIGATES HOME INVASION

Athens Police report that a house in the 700 block of Cumberland Avenue was the target of armed burglars around 5:20 Sunday morning. The occupants of the house apparently surprised the burglars, who then forced entry into their house. The victims said that the burglars did not make any demands or request anything. They said that one of the suspects displayed a handgun and later fled on foot behind the residence. The second suspect fled in an older model white sedan. Both suspects were described as black males. A detailed description of the vehicle and the suspects was not given.

### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The McMinn County Election Commission will meet in a called session on Tuesday, August 12th at 5:15 p.m. to count Provisional Ballots for the August 7th election. The Election Commission Office is in the Courthouse Annex in the Madison Park Shopping Center. Any other business will be conducted that may legally come before the commission.

✓ ETSU History Professor Richard Hardin, known as "Owl Hoot," will appear again next Saturday, August 16th, at the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum's Heritage School to talk about flintlocks and other frontier guns. Hardin will return to the Heritage School on Saturday, August 23rd and present a talk about the cowboy guns of the Old West. This past Saturday, "Owl Hoot" shared cowboy stories for children. The programs all start at 1 p.m.

## WORLD & NATIONAL NEWS

◆ Race car driver Tony Stewart pulled out of a NASCAR race at Watkins Glen, New York on Sunday, 12 hours after the three-time champion struck and killed a sprint car driver who had climbed from his car and was on a darkened dirt track trying to confront Stewart during a race Saturday night in upstate New York.

◆ An unarmed 18-year-old black man was shot and killed by police in suburban St. Louis after an altercation that involved two people and an officer. One of the young men pushed the officer back into his squad car and the struggle began. At least one shot was fired from the officer's gun inside the police car.

◆ Israel and the Hamas militant group have accepted a renewed Egyptian cease-fire proposal, clearing the way for the resumption of talks on a long-term truce meant to end a month of heavy fighting in the Gaza Strip that has taken nearly 2,000 lives.

◆ Kurdish forces retook two towns from the Sunni militants that have seized large parts of northern Iraq, said a senior Kurdish military official, amid a building international response that has included air drops of aid and airstrikes.

◆ An Iranian transportation official says 39 people were killed and nine wounded when a regional passenger plane crashed Sunday while taking off from the capital, Tehran.

◆ The U.S. military says American jet fighters and drones have conducted four more airstrikes on Islamic militants in Iraq, taking out armored carriers and a truck that were firing on civilians.

◆ U.S. Customs agents seized over \$40,000 in cash from a 78-year-old Florida woman who had sewn the money inside her bra and girdle. She was stopped at the Detroit airport. Agents became suspicious when the woman exhibited several large "bulges".

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**Meigs County Sheriff Jackie Melton** deeply appreciates your complimentary vote in the August 7 election.



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### WEATHER

**Monday** - Partly sunny. 50% rain & t'storms. High-mid 80's.  
**Monday night** - Mostly cloudy. 50% rain. Low-near 70.  
**Tuesday** - Partly sunny. 40% rain & t'storms. High-88.  
 See our Zoom Radar at: [www.wyxi.com](http://www.wyxi.com)

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### LOG TRUCK TAKES A TUMBLE

A semi hauling logs didn't quite make a sharp turn last Thursday morning and flipped onto its side. The incident took place on Highway 30 in the Greasy Creek Community about 3 miles from U.S. Highway 64. The driver was uninjured and actually drove the truck away. It took wrecker crews about 3 hours to get the logs unloaded and get the truck upright. Photo by Jay Thomson.



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### Obituaries

- **Walter F. Wildt**, age 96, of Etowah, died last Thursday at Wellington Place. Graveside services will be held in Kentucky. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- **James Henry Sparks**, age 81, of Athens, died Friday at Parkwest Hospital in Knoxville. He was retired from Southern Bell and Southeastern Bell after 32 years of service. He was a veteran of the Korean conflict serving in the U.S. Air Force. Funeral services were held Sunday night at Woodward Avenue Church of God. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at McMinn Memory Gardens with Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home in charge.
- **Brenda Annette Casteel Moore**, age 65, of Calhoun, died Saturday at Life Care Center of Athens. She was a lifelong resident of McMinn County. There will be no formal visitation and a private service will be held for the family at a later date. Smith Funeral and Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.
- **Erby Roy Nankivell, Jr.**, age 95, of Ft. Myers, Florida and formerly of Athens, died Saturday, June 7, 2014 in Florida. He was a veteran of World War II serving in the U.S. Marine Corps as a Captain. After the war, he served in the engineering department at Athens Plow and later joined his Brother-In-Law, Jones C. Beene, III, in the founding of Plastic Industries. The family and friends will assemble at Cedar Grove Cemetery at 11 a.m. Monday for a memorial and committal service. Smith Funeral and Cremation Service is in charge of arrangements.

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### TODAY IN HISTORY - AUGUST 11th

- 1909** - The S.O.S. distress signal was first used by an American ship, the Arapahoe, off Cape Hatteras, North Carolina.
- 1934** - The first federal prisoners arrived at the island prison known as Alcatraz in San Francisco Bay.
- 1953** - Wrestler and actor Hulk Hogan was born.
- 1965** - Six days of riots and looting broke out in the predominantly black Watts section of Los Angeles. The riots took place in reaction to the arrest by white police officers of a black man suspected of drunk driving. When the riots finally ended, 34 people had been killed and over 2,000 were injured.
- 1984** - President Ronald Reagan nearly created an international incident when he joked during a voice test for a radio address that he had "signed legislation that will outlaw Russia forever. We begin bombing in five minutes."