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## **State & Local News**

#### **◆** ATHENS CRIME/FIRE REPORT FOR SEPT.

The Athens City Council got the reports from the Police and Fire Departments on their activity for the month of September at their monthly meeting Tuesday night.

- The report from Police Chief Cliff Couch shows there were 68 thefts in Athens in September. There were 16 burglaries, 10 assaults, five motor vehicle thefts, and one sex offense. Officers issued 133 citations for moving violations. There were 77 traffic accidents in September, with 20 injuries. The police department currently has two vacancies.
- Fire Chief Brandon Ainsworth reported that firefighters responded to 69 calls in September. Three calls were to fires, 25 were for rescue and emergency medical service, two were calls related to severe weather, and nine were "good intent" calls. There were 25 false alarms. Total losses from fires in September were \$6500.

### **♦** GET YOUR FLU SHOT FRIDAY

Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens will be offering flu shots again this year in exchange for a donation to the Friendly Fellow Club food drive. The flu shots will be given on Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 12 noon in the main lobby of Starr Regional. If you are not able to walk into the lobby, have a family member go inside and ask a nurse to come outside and give you the shot while you sit in your vehicle.

## **National & World News**

- ◆ A state trooper in North Carolina was shot dead while making a traffic stop early Wednesday. Kevin Conner, an 11-year veteran stopped a pickup truck for speeding in Columbus County just after midnight when the confrontation unfolded. The driver allegedly fired several shots, killing Conner. The suspect has not been identified and charges are pending.
- ♦ A weather pattern stalled over Texas has produced the worst flash flooding since 1935 in Llano County, the central part of the state. As much as 13.24 inches of rain fell in just the past two days, and the Llano River rose from about 10 feet to nearly 40 feet in less than 24 hours.

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:**

- ✓ The Cherokee Beekeepers will hold their monthly meeting at AgCentral Co-op on Tuesday, October 23rd, at 7 p.m. Howard Kerr will present a program on Winter Management and Rethinking our Beekeeping Practices.
- ✓ The Athens Travelers will have their Toys for Kids car show this Saturday starting at 4 p.m. in the parking lot of Michael's Casual Dining on North Congress Parkway.
- ✓ Etowah City School is collecting new or gently used shoes. The school is partnering with a fund-raising company that collects shoes and the shoes are sent to developing countries where they are sold or re-purposed by small business owners. The goal is to collect 2500 pairs of shoes. They can be dropped off at Etowah City School, the Depot, or the Etowah Community Center.

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## **Obituaries**

• Helen D. Brown, age 93, of Englewood, died Tuesday at Grace Healthcare in Decatur. She had served as the organist and librarian at Englewood First Baptist Church since 1945 and was recognized by the National Federation of Music Clubs for having served over 50 years as a church organist. In 1994, she was named McMinn County Mother of the Year. She was a founding member and project director of the Community Action Group of Englewood (C.A.G.E.) since 1986. She was the librarian at Englewood School from 1947-1986. She had been project director of the Englewood Textile Museum since 1994. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Sunday at Englewood First Baptist Church, with visitation from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks closed lower as momentum from yesterday's strong rally failed to continue. The financials and communication services sectors were the best performers. In economic news, housing starts and building permits for the month of September were both lower than expected. U.S. Treasury bonds fell today as yields rose.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 92 points or 0.4% to 25,707. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 1 point to 2,809, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 3 points to 7,643.

## "Sincerely, Ours"

Sincerely, Ours, an original production featuring excerpts from personal letters, journals, and oral histories from families in our community, will be presented at The Arts Center tonight through Sunday. The production was conceived and compiled by Jan Burleson, and takes the audience on a sentimental journey through personal histories dating from 1836 to the 20th Century. Many local individuals and families contributed letters, journals, and stories to this project. The premiere performance will be tonight at 7:30, with preshow music beginning at 7. The photo shows Jason Carusillo, Trey Byrge, and Colby Pilkey as they perform letters written home from World War II. (Submitted Photo)



