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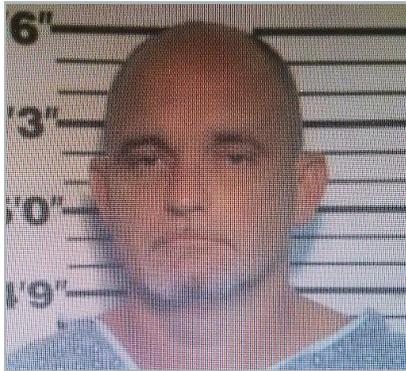
Tuesday, October 23, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

## Local & Area News

### ◆ ATHENS MAN FACES MURDER CHARGE

A joint investigation by the TBI, the Madisonville Police Department, the Tennessee Highway Patrol, and several other law enforcement agencies has resulted in the arrest of Paul Shane Strickland of Athens (Photo to the right) on a homicide charge. Authorities say Strickland is charged with the shooting death of Christopher Garrett, 26, of Madisonville. The TBI says its investigation shows Garrett was in the passenger seat of a vehicle traveling in the 3700 block of Highway 411. A female was driving. Strickland was in the back seat. The TBI says the two men got into an argument and the female heard a popping sound and saw Garrett slump over in the seat. As the woman tried to drive Garrett to a hospital, her vehicle collided with another vehicle on Highway 411. Strickland ran from the vehicle and into a wooded area, where he was ultimately apprehended and charged with Criminal Homicide.



## Local & National News

◆ A teenager wanted in the fatal shooting of a Georgia police officer was killed by police Monday morning. Tafahree Maynard, 18, was killed after he refused to drop a lawn mower blade when police found him hiding in a shed in Snellville, Georgia.

### ◆ BURLARY SUSPECT SHOT BY PROPERTY OWNER

A burglary suspect was shot by the property owner on County Road 675 Sunday. Sheriff Joe Guy says Michael Beverly discovered two suspects ransacking his outbuilding. While he held them at gun point, one of them—identified as 36-year-old Donnie Hicks—assaulted him. Beverly then defended himself with his handgun and shot Hicks, who was treated at a Knoxville hospital. The other burglary suspect fled the scene, but was captured about an hour later in a field along County Road 700. He is 30-year-old Gary D. Blankenship. Both suspects will face charges related to the theft. Blankenship was already wanted for his involvement in a child abduction case in Overton County last week.

### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The City of Athens' school consultant, Cooperative Strategies, will host a presentation of their recent study of the school board's building project at 6 this evening in the Athens City Middle School Auditorium. All citizens are encouraged to attend.
- ✓ The Good Faith Clinic will be held today starting at 2:30 p.m. The primary medical clinic is open to all McMinn and Meigs County residents who are uninsured. The clinic is held at Christ Community Church at 14 South Congress Parkway.



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## WEATHER FORECAST

**Tuesday:** Mostly sunny. High near 68. Calm winds.  
**Tue. Night:** Mostly clear. Low 41. Calm winds about 5 mph.  
**Wednesday:** Sunny. High near 62. Winds north 5-10 mph.  
More Weather at: [wysi.com](http://wysi.com)

## TODAY IN HISTORY OCTOBER 23<sup>rd</sup>

**1905** - Gertrude Ederle (1924 Olympic swimming medalist) was born. She was the first woman to swim the English Channel.  
**1925** - Comedian and talk show host Johnny Carson was born in Corning, Iowa.  
**1956** - An anti-Stalinist revolt began in Hungary.  
**1958** - Russian poet and novelist Boris Pasternak was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature. He, however, was forced to refuse the honor because of negative Soviet reaction. Pasternak won the award for writing *Dr. Zhivago*.  
**1989** - After 33 years of Soviet rule, Hungary became an independent republic.



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## Obituaries

♦ **Harold Clifford Turner**, age 86, of Athens, died Saturday at Starr Regional Health and Rehab. He was retired from Mayfield Dairy after more than 20 years of service. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

♦ **Erick Luis Vazquez**, infant son of Jorge and Jessica White Vazquez of Athens, died Sunday at East Tennessee Children's Hospital in Knoxville. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from noon to 1 p.m.

♦ **Thurston "Tom" D. Duggan**, age 85, of Dickson (and a native of Etowah), died on September 7th at a Nashville Hospital. He served in the Air Force, worked as a radio personality for WLAR in Athens, worked as a policeman and fireman, and retired from CSX Railroad. Taylor Funeral Home of Dickson is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Vernon D. Stewart**, age 78, of Athens, died Sunday at his home. He was the owner of Stewart's Heating and Air for many years until illness forced him to retire in 2016. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Freedom Baptist Church on Velma Road, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at the church. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Ida Lou Wilson Griggs**, age 89, of Johnson City, and formerly of Athens, died Monday at Hermitage Health Care Center in Elizabethton. Arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral & Cremation Services.

♦ **Lloyd "Doc" Kimbrough, Jr.**, age 75, of Riceville, died Monday at Starr Regional Medical Center. Arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral & Cremation Services.

♦ **Nancy Roberts**, age 76, of Decatur, died Sunday at NHC of Athens. The family will gather at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Pisgah Cemetery for inurnment. No visitation is scheduled. Bowers Funeral Home of Decatur is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Billy Gene Brown**, age 59, of Niota, died Monday at his home. He was a former employee of Plastic Industries. A Celebration of Billy's life will be held at a later date. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Restaurant Inspection Scores

The following Athens restaurants were inspected between Sept. 17th and October 16th. A score of 70 and above is passing.

- Buddy's BBQ - 99**
- Delia's Mexican Restaurant - 99**
- The Dog House - 97**
- Subway, 110 John J. Duncan Parkway - 97**
- Brownie's - 95**

Etowah restaurants:  
**Little Caesars - 96**

- North McMinn County: (121 County Road 308)
- Hillbilly Snack Shack - 99**
- Pizza Stand - 98**
- Smoothie Joe - 98**
- Pallet Jack's Snack Shack - 97**

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