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Athens, Tennessee

## **Arrests Made in Sling Blade Assault**

Two Monroe County women have been charged with aggravated assault after striking another woman with a sling blade. McMinn County Sheriff Joe Guy says deputies responded to a residence on County Road 315 early Saturday morning where the victim, Terrina Bates, told them two females identified as Lori Lankford and Lacy Cole had come to her residence around 5 a.m. trying to get her to come outside. When she refused, an altercation ensued with Lankford and Cole trying to force their way inside. Sheriff Guy says during the altercation, one of the females struck Ms. Bates in the leg with a sling blade (sometimes called a kaisor blade). Ms. Bates was taken to Sweetwater Hospital where she was treated and released. Lankford and Cole were arrested, along with James Richeson at a residence on County Road 298. Richeson was arrested on charges of refusing stop, frisk, and halt and several outstanding warrants. Guy says detectives believe Richeson and the two females were conspiring some sort of revenge against Ms. Bates for a past disagreement over a stolen vehicle.

Pictured below: (L-R) Cole, Lankford, and Richeson







# **Community News You Can Use**

- ✓ Today is voting day in Athens for the Sales Tax Referendum. Polls will be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Voters who normally vote at the E.K. Baker or Niota precincts will vote at the Ingleside precinct for this election only. No one will be voting at the Election Commission Office. However, voting will take place at the Courthouse Precinct in the Blue Room.
- ✓ Athens Utilities Board advises that power division crews will be working in coordination with the city of Athens and a local contractor to relocate a large concrete power pole beginning at 11 tonight. The poll will be moved about 40 feet north of its current location near the intersection of Congress Parkway and Railroad Avenue. The work will require a power outage for 188 customers. A section of Congress Parkway will be coned off for the large crane required for the work.
- ✓ Last Thursday was Freshman Move-In Day at TWU. JJ Hulet sent this photo of some of the students.
- ✓ The Athens City Council holds its monthly meeting at 6 p.m. at the Municipal Building.





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#### WEATHER FORECAST

**Tuesday:** Clouds mixed with sun. Humid. High 92. **Tue. Night:** Partly cloudy. Possible t'storm. Low 71.

Wednesday: Intervals of clouds & sun. Possible t'storm. High 89.

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## **Obituaries**

- Kevin Dewayne Johnson, age 45, of Kingston, died August 12th at Roane Medical Center in Harriman. Funeral services will be 7 p.m. Saturday, August 24th, at Maranatha Church with visitation from 6 to 7 p.m. at the church. Bowers Funeral Home of Decatur is in charge of arrangements.
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   Arthur Howard Thomas, age 83, of Athens, died Saturday at Life Care Center of Athens. He was retired from Paramount Packaging and was a veteran of the Korean War serving in the U.S. Army. A graveside service will be 10 a.m. Thursday at Murray's Chapel Cemetery with visitation on Wednesday from 5 to 7 p.m. at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks closed higher. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 250 points or 1.0% to 25,886. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 35 points or 1.2% to 2,924, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 107 points or 1.4% to 8,003.

#### ◆ DENSO HELPS "STUFF THE BUS"

DENSO associates recently made a "Stuff the Bus" donation to the United Way. The photo shows, left to right-Stephanie Linkous (United Way), Kim David (DENSO), and Erin Holbrook (DENSO)

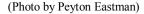


### Harassment at Walmart?

Sweetwater police responded to a call of harassment at the Sweetwater Walmart Sunday afternoon. Upon arrival, Walmart employees indicated that several Hispanic males had made inappropriate gestures and comments to several people, both customers and employees. Walmart security indicated that the males were at a van in the parking lot. Sweetwater officers spoke with the males through a Spanish-speaking officer. It was determined that the men were local workers and were at the store purchasing groceries. No evidence of any illegal activities appeared to have occurred. Detectives are following up with the video from Walmart to ascertain that no criminal activity did occur. The men were released after being questioned. Walmart security did ban them from the property.

#### **♦ SEARCHING FOR MICROMETEORITES**

A STEM event was held recently at E.G. Fisher Library. The photo shows participants searching for micrometeorites in local soil samples in preparation for the Perseid meteor shower.





How would the price of a loaf of bread change if the proposed sales tax passes?







How would the price of a gallon of milk change if the proposed sales tax passes?









Vote YES on the referendum

aid for by John Proffitt

#### **TODAY IN HISTORY—AUGUST 20th**

**1833 -** Our 23rd President, Benjamin Harrison, was born in Ohio.

**1923 -** Singer Jim Reeves was born. Among his hits, "He'll Have To Go," "Four Walls," and "An Old Christmas Card." Reeves was killed when his private plane crashed near Nashville in 1964.

**1940 -** British Prime Minister Winston Churchill paid tribute to the Royal Air Force, saying, "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few."

**1953 -** The Soviet Union publicly acknowledged it had tested a hydrogen bomb.

**1977 -** The United States launched Voyager 2, an unmanned spacecraft carrying a 12-inch copper phonograph record containing greetings in dozens of languages, samples of music and sounds of nature.

**2009 -** The only man convicted of the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 returned home to Libya after his release from a Scottish prison on compassionate grounds.