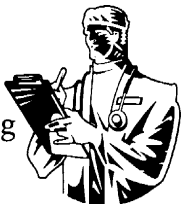


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STATE AND LOCAL NEWS

◆ ROBBERS STAY BUSY OVER THE FOURTH

There were two armed robberies in Athens over the July 4th weekend. Two robbers held up the BP Station at Congress Parkway and Ingleside Avenue around 5:45 a.m. Monday, the 4th. Officers used a THP tracking dog to track the robbers to Jamison Road off Ingleside Avenue, where they found some of their clothing. The dogs lost the scent at that point, leading officers to believe the men left in a vehicle.

The other robbery took place Sunday afternoon. A female employee of the Ians Market on S. White Street told police she had pulled up to the drop box at SouthEast Bank on Congress Parkway to make a deposit when a masked man with a handgun and a knife jumped into the car. He took the bank deposit bag and made her drive him to the Ridgetop Apartments behind Wal-Mart, where he jumped out.

◆ CLEVELAND WOMAN DIES IN POLK CO.

Queana Wright-Ikpe, 22, of Cleveland, died Sunday when her car ran off U.S. Highway 64 in Polk County and ran into the Ocoee River. A passing motorist called 911 to report a car upside down in the lake just east of Mac Point Beach. The car and the victim's body were recovered by rescuers from Polk and Bradley counties.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ The four astronauts who will close out NASA's 30-year space shuttle program arrived at the Kennedy Space Center yesterday, for their history-making launch week, saluting the nation's birthday and all those who contributed to Atlantis' final flight.

◆ The outgoing commander of U.S. and NATO forces in Afghanistan, General David Petraeus, said that the focus of the war will shift in coming months from Taliban strongholds in the south to the eastern border with Pakistan where insurgents closest to al-Qaida and other militants hold sway.

◆ Jurors did not reach a verdict Monday in the Casey Anthony murder trial after deliberating for almost six hours on the prosecution's claim that the woman killed her 2-year-old daughter Caylee because the toddler interrupted her carefree partying and love life.

◆ Tyler Farrar became the first American to win a stage of the Tour de France on the Fourth of July. It was the first time he had won a stage in cycling's showcase race, and he dedicated the victory to the late Wouter Weylandt of Belgium.

◆ Hackers took control of a FoxNews.com Twitter account on Monday and sent six false tweets saying that U.S. President Barack Obama had been shot dead; the Secret Service is investigating.



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Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The new Farmer's Market opens today at the pavilion in Market Park in downtown Athens. The hours are 3 to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. Local farmers will sell their locally-grown produce from the backs of their pickup trucks at the new market.
- ✓ The Athens Public Works Department invites the public to the Wetlands Discovery Festival this coming Friday, July 8th, from 5:30- p.m. to 10 p.m. at E.G. Fisher Library. The festivities include music by September Songs, a wildlife art exhibit, hotdogs, pizza, and ice cream. Doug Elliot, an environmental story teller, will be present. Boy Scout Troop 617 will be giving rain barrel demonstrations as well as selling rain barrels. Mouse Creek Nursery will have native plants for sale. There will be fun educational walking tours of the wetland. This is a free community event.
- ✓ Applications are currently being accepted for the Leadership McMinn Class of 2012. There have been over 450 graduates of Leadership McMinn since the program began in 1988. Many of them have gone on to become members of city and county government entities, school board members, civic organization board members and volunteers. Participants spend one Wednesday per month being exposed to all aspects of the city and county, including government, courts, police, hospitals, and the media. Application forms are available at the Athens Chamber of Commerce office at 13 N. Jackson Street in downtown Athens. The application deadline is Friday, August 5th. Call 745-0334 for info.

Obituaries

Sharon Annette Pace, age 52, of Athens died this past Saturday at her residence. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 10-11 a.m.

Hugh Von "Hootie" Thomas, age 77, of Athens died last Friday at Life Care Center of Athens. He was a retired brick mason and a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. Funeral services were held Sunday at Ziegler Funeral Home.

Andrew Austin "Andy" Harbison, age 82, of Benton died last Saturday at his residence. He had served in the Etowah City School as teacher, principal, and superintendent from 1957 through 1976. He retired from the Polk County School System in 1989. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Wetmore Baptist Church, with visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Bordwine Funeral Home.

James T. "Jim" Barber, age 84, of Etowah died Saturday at his home. He was a fiddle player and toured with such country musicians as Don Gibson, Chet Atkins, Homer and Jethro, and Cowboy Copas. After marrying Jake Tullock's sister, he gave up his dreams to become a country star and went to work for Bowater. A graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at McMinn Memory Gardens. There will be no formal visitation. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Emmer Lee Swafford, age 73, of Decatur died Friday at her home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

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- 1865 - William Booth founded the Salvation Army in London.
- 1890 - Editor and historian Frederick Lewis Allen was born in Boston. He wrote two well-known social histories of the 1920's and 1930's--"Only Yesterday" and "Since Yesterday."
- 1945 - General Douglas MacArthur announced the liberation of the Philippines as World War Two approached its end.
- 1954 - A young unknown singer named Elvis Presley made his first commercial recordings at the Sun Studio in Memphis. His first hit record, "That's All Right (Mama)" came from that historic recording session.



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