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Tuesday, April 21, 2015

Athens, Tennessee

State and Local News

◆ POLICE CAPTURE ROBBERY SUSPECT

Athens police have arrested a man who tried to rob the Sally Beauty Supply in the K-Mart Shopping Center on Sunday. An employee told police she was robbed at gunpoint by a man wearing a black hooded sweatshirt and dark pants. She said as she was bending over to open an empty safe, two customers came into the store. At that point, the would-be robber left. Police canvassed the area and found the suspect, 36-year-old Christopher Hester. He is described as a homeless man, who stays at various apartments in the Athens Mews complex. He was on parole for aggravated robbery in McMinn County.

◆ ANOTHER QUAKE HITS EAST TENNESSEE

There have now been 18 small earthquakes in Southeast Tennessee in the past five weeks or so. Last Saturday afternoon, a quake measuring 2.4 was recorded six miles northeast of Cleveland.

◆ FALLEN TREE CLOSES INGLESIDE AVE.

Ingleside Ave. in Athens was closed much of the day Monday after a tree fell and broke a telephone pole in the 700 block, just before daybreak. Public Works crews cleared the tree from the road, but the street had to be closed until the pole was replaced.

◆ HIGHWAY 64 SHOULD RE-OPEN TODAY

TDOT says it hopes to have a rock and mud slide on Highway 64 near the Ocoee River Visitor Center cleared sometime Tuesday morning. The weekend slide blocked the westbound lane of the highway.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ Boston Marathon bombing victim Rebekah Gregory competed in the race that caused her to become an amputee and was able to cross the finish line. Gregory ran 26.2 miles on her good leg and a prosthetic. She wrote on Facebook on Monday, "This is the day....I take my life back."

◆ Twitter is making it easier for strangers to talk privately on the social network. A new update allows users to send direct messages to anyone, regardless if the sender and the recipient are following each other.

◆ The markets rebounded Monday on healthy earnings reports, and The Dow Jones Industrial Average closed at 18,034.93, up 208.63 from its open. The Nasdaq rose by 62.79 to close just under the 5,000 mark at 4,994.60. The S&P 500 was up by 19.22, finishing the session at 2,100.40.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ Tennessee Wesleyan College will host the second annual Goodfriend Lecture Series today at 12 noon. The featured speaker will be John Thornton, a TWC alum and a successful entrepreneur and real estate developer. The event will take place in the Glenn Lowe Dining Room in the Sherman Fine Arts Building.

✓ Athens Utilities Board advises that both lanes of Sweetfield Valley Road between West Madison Ave. and Cedar Springs Road will be closed this Wednesday and Thursday so crews can relocate and upgrade a section of wastewater main line. Residents will be able to access the road while the work is going on.

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Athens, Tennessee

Ribbon Cutting at New Animal Hospital

The Athens Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for a new member yesterday. The new Athens Small Animal Hospital just recently opened. They're located at 318 Maple Street in Athens and their phone number is 423-252-0558. They are on Facebook too:

<https://www.facebook.com/athenssmallanimalhospital?fref=ts>
 In the photo: (L-R) Shane Sewell, Chamber Chairman; Dana Ferguson, Chamber Diplomat; Kimberly Key, Staff; Mindy Carpenter, Staff; Vicki Wilson, Practice Manager; Kristie Leach, Vet Assistant; Dr. Kerri Prince, DVM; Kim Riddle, Co-Owner; Dr. John Riddle, DVM, Co-Owner; Rob Preston, Chamber CEO/President; Cayce Rountree, Chamber Diplomat; Angie Lambert, Office Manager; Pam Bonnett, Lead Assistant; and Brittany Graves, Vet Assistant. (Staff Photo)



Obituaries

- **Helen Loretta McConkey Phillips**, age 71, of Riceville died Monday at her home. She was an employee of Thomas & Betts for 30 years. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday.
- **Columbus Richard Lowe**, age 70, died Sunday in Cleveland. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.
- **Martha Lou Choate Armstrong**, age 92, of Athens, died Monday at her home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral Home.

◆ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ Donated items for the Living Heritage Museum Guild's upcoming Trash and Treasure Sale are being accepted this week at the former Wiggins and Son Hardware Building at 306 S. Congress Parkway. Items are being accepted each day this week including Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. You can take items to the Wiggins building on Monday, April 27, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. The Premiere Party for Early Buyers will be Tuesday, April 28, from 6 to 8 p.m. for a \$10 admission fee. The sale is open to the public at no charge beginning next Wednesday, April 29, and running through Saturday, May 2.
- ✓ This is National Crime Victims' Rights Week. A community event to honor and remember those who have been victims and/or survivors of crime will be held this Friday, April 24, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on the front steps of the McMinn County Courthouse.

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