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Tuesday, February 16, 2016

Local & State News

SUSPECT NAMED IN SAFE HEIST

Warrants charging a Texas man with the January 25th burglary of

the Piggly-Wiggly grocery store in Charleston have been issued by the Bradley County Sheriff's Office. Police have identified Christoper Lee Chambers, 29, (right) as a suspect in the burglary. He is named in warrants charging him with burglary and theft over \$10,000. Police discovered a large hole in the roof that had been left by the burglar. A large and heavy safe had been taken from the store. The safe was found later



in the back of a pickup truck that had been stolen earlier the same day from a car dealership in Athens. The safe had been cut open and its contents removed. During their investigation, Bradley County detectives found similar crimes stretching from Tennessee to Texas where the burglar cut a hole in the roof and removed a safe.



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NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

• President Obama says he plans to nominate a replacement for Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia "in due time." Obama's shortlist includes Sri Srinivasan, a U.S. Court of Appeals judge for the District of Columbia circuit; Merrick Garland, chief judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia circuit; Attorney General Loretta Lynch; Neal Katyal, a Georgetown law professor who spent one year as Obama's acting solicitor general; Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson; Solicitor General Don Verrilli, and former Attorney General Eric Holder."

AN ICY MORNING ON SOME ROADS

A mixture of sleet and freezing rain caused significant ice on some county roads in northern McMinn County Monday morning. Sheriff Joe Guy took this photo on County Rd. 279 near Rockview Church.





rain. Highs in the upper 40's to lower 50's. Tuesday night - Mostly cloudy. 60% rain. Lows in the mid 30's. Wednesday - Partly sunny. Highs in the upper 40's to lower 50's. Zoom Radar at: www.wyxi.com

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

Community News You Can Use

✓ Starr Regional Medical Center will host a Chili Cook-off tomorrow, February 17th, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Physicians' Dining Room on the Athens campus. The public is invited to sample the 12+ varieties of chili prepared by Starr Regional employees for a \$5 donation. Dessert and drink will be provided as well. Proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society.

✓ Everyone is invited to attend a performance of the Athens City Middle School Chorus this Thursday, Feb. 18th, at 6:15 p.m. There will be free pizza and drinks. In addition, Athens City School Board members will be available to hear your comments and questions regarding funding issues and the future of Athens City Schools.

✓ The Athens City Council will hold its monthly meeting tonight at 6 at the Municipal Building.

✓ The McMinn Area Cancer Relief Fund will hold a day of Scrapbooking and Shopping this Saturday, February 20th, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Athens. You must register by February 18th. The fee is \$25 per person and lunch will be provided. One hundred percent of the proceeds stay in McMinn County for area cancer patients. For information about registration, call Connie Woodcock at 368-3214, or mail your check for \$25 to: MACRF, P.O. Box 536, Athens, TN 37371-0536.

✓ The Wayne Kerr Band's "Evening of Worship Tour" will be at Keith United Methodist Church tonight at 7. Tickets are \$5 per person. (Free for college students). Call Harrison Hart for details: 507-7492.

• **Thomas Eugene "Gene" Morrow,** age 75, of Riceville, died Sunday at UT Medical Center. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

• **Cleta Mae Newman Gregory,** age 87, of Athens, died Sunday at her daughter's residence in Chattanooga. She was retired from Shaw Industries. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

• Valerie Cates, age 77, of Englewood, died Sunday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. The family will have a private service. Ziegler funeral Home of Athens is in charge.

• Larry W. Baumgardner, age 77, of Riceville, died last Saturday at his home. He was retired from Duracell and was the brother of Erbin Baumgardner. A memorial service will be held at a later date at Candies Creek Baptist Church. Companion Funeral Home of Cleveland is in charge.

• Thomas Scanlon, age 97, of Athens, died Sunday at his residence. Funeral arrangments will be announced by Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

• **Debra Sue McDonald,** age 55, of Athens died Sunday at Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

TODAY IN HISTORY - FEBRUARY 16th

1741 - Benjamin Franklin published America's second magazine, "The General Magazine and Historical Chronicle".
1901 - Orchestra leader Wayne King was born. He was known as the "Waltz King." His hit records included "The Waltz You Saved For Me" and "Maria Elena."

1903 - Edgar John Bergen was born in Chicago. He had the ability to project his voice from place to place. With the help of a professional ventriloquist, he developed his talent and had a dummy made that he named Charlie McCarthy. The pair became stars of movies and radio.

1920 - Singer Patty Andrews was born. She and her three sisters sang as the Andrews Sisters and had many hit records during the 1940's and early 1950's.

1923 - The burial chamber of King Tutankhamen's recently unearthed tomb was unsealed in Egypt.

1926 - Suzanne Lenglen defeated Helen Wills at Cannes, France to retain the women's tennis championship title. It was the only meeting between the two tennis greats.

1935 - Sonny Bono was born. He married Cher, and they had several hit records in the mid-1960's. He later served as mayor of Palm Springs, California, and was elected to Congress. He died in a skiing accident in 1998 at the age of 62. **1945** - American troops landed on the island of Corregidor in the Philippines during World War II.

1959 - Fidel Castro became Premier of Cuba.

1968 - The nation's first 911 emergency telephone system was inaugurated in Haleyville, Ala.

2012 - A federal judge in Detroit ordered life in prison for Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, a Nigerian man who'd tried to blow up a packed Northwest jetliner with a bomb concealed in his underwear.