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Monday, February 26, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

◆ NEIGHBORS RESCUE RESIDENT FROM FIRE

At about 1 p.m. Saturday afternoon a fire erupted in the living room of an apartment on Fourth Street in Englewood. A tragedy was averted when neighbors pulled an elderly occupant, who was lying on a couch, from the burning living room. The rest of the dwelling received extensive smoke and heat damage. The fire was quickly extinguished by the Englewood Fire Department. Also assisting at the scene was the Etowah Rural Fire Department, the Englewood Police Department and AMR ambulance service. Photo by Lynn Ingram with the Englewood Fire Department.



National & World News

- ◆ Florida is launching an investigation into the law enforcement response to the mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School on Feb. 14 that killed 17 students and staff.
- ◆ South Korea's presidential office stated that North Korea's delegation to the Olympics agreed that there should be talks between the United States and North Korea.
- ◆ Wall Street closed in the green on Friday with gains led by technology companies and banks. The Dow Jones Industrial Average soared 347.51 to close at 25,309.99.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Athens City Council will host a joint meeting with the Athens City School Board today at 5:30 p.m. at the Athens Municipal Building Training Room at 815 N. Jackson Street.
- ✓ McMinn County Trustee Phil Tuggle reminds taxpayers that this Wednesday, February 28th, is the last day to pay property taxes before interest and penalties will be added. The Trustee's Office will be open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on February 28th. If you mail your payment, it will be legal if it is postmarked on the 28th or earlier. You can also place your payment in the drop box located at the top of the steps on the Washington Avenue side of the courthouse. Call 745-1291 for more information.
- ✓ The guest on the weekly Athens Chamber of Commerce "Chamber Chat" program will be Robin Nation, Director of the Women at the Well Ministry. The program airs Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI RADIO. Tune: AM-1390, FM-94.5 or [ONLINE](#)

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Monday - Cloudy. 30% rain.
Sunny p.m.. High 59.
Mon. night - Mostly clear.
Low 36.
Tuesday - Mostly sunny.
High near 65.
More Weather at: wysi.com

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Obituaries

♦ **Billie Evelyn Brookshire Turner**, age 89, of the Mount Harmony Community near Athens, died Saturday at Starr Regional Health and Rehab in Etowah. She had helped operate the family farm in the Mount Harmony Community. A funeral service will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Mount Harmony Baptist with visitation beginning two hours prior to the service. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Mary Ellen Brown Sneed**, age 88, of Athens, died Friday at NHC Healthcare of Athens. She was a former employee of Walmart. Funeral services were held Sunday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with interment in the McMinn Memory Gardens.

TODAY IN HISTORY – FEBRUARY 26th

1919 - President Woodrow Wilson signed a measure establishing Grand Canyon National Park in Arizona.

1929 - President Calvin Coolidge signed a measure establishing Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming

1942 - "How Green Was My Valley" won the Academy Award for Best Picture of 1941, beating out nine other films, including "The Maltese Falcon" and "Citizen Kane".

1952 - Prime Minister Winston Churchill announced that Britain had developed its own atomic bomb.

1970 - National Public Radio was incorporated.

1991 - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein announced on Baghdad Radio that he had ordered his forces to withdraw from Kuwait.

1993 - A bomb built by Islamic extremists exploded in the parking garage of New York's World Trade Center, killing six people and injuring more than 1,000 others.

Seldom Seen Scene

Even though it is still February and spring won't arrive until March 20th, it already seems like spring with the record setting warm weather we've had for several weeks. Richard Newman sent us this photo of a Japanese Magnolia tree blooming in downtown Athens.



◆ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The Good Faith Clinic will be held at Christ Community Church on South Congress Parkway, Tuesday, February 27th. Signups begin at 2:30 p.m. The Good Faith Clinic sees patients from Meigs and McMinn Counties that have no health insurance. You must provide proof of residency/address if you are a new patient.

✓ The Cherokee Beekeepers will meet Tuesday, February 27th at 7 p.m. at the Athens Co-Op. The topic will be hive assembly and applications will be taken for the hive grant.

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