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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

Corbin Marshall Young, 92 of Athens, passed away on the morning of July 26. Corbin joined the Air Force shortly after high school, where he would serve for four years and completed a deployment to serve in the Korean War. Upon his return, he went to work at Bowater for 37 years, where he would ultimately retire. He was a member of East Athens Baptist Church. The family will receive friends from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Wednesday, July 31 at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with funeral services immediately following at 1:00 P.M. in the Chapel. Interment will be afterwards in McMinn Memory Gardens. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

Geneva Cloe Moses, 93 of Athens, passed away Thursday, July 24 at NHC of Athens. She was a former employee of Roses Dept. Store and was a member and Pianist of Lakeview Baptist Church. Funeral services will be 7:00 P.M. Saturday, July 27 in the Chapel of Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home. Interment will be 2:00 P.M. Monday, July 29 in McMinn Memory Gardens. The family received friends from 5-7 Saturday at the funeral home. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

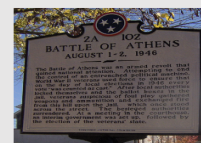
Steven Eugene Walker, 67 of Athens, passed away on Friday, July 26. Stephen was a veteran of the United States Navy, an avid bingo player and enjoyed riding around on his scooter. A graveside service will be held at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services.



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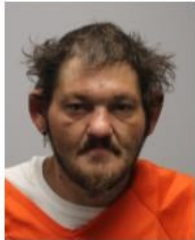
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Two Men Steal from Cleveland Church



ROGERS, CASEY LAVENDAR



RUTHERFORD, JOSHUA DAVID

(Chattanooga.com) Two men have been charged with stealing items from a Cleveland church. Deputies and detectives with the Bradley County Sheriff's Office responded to The Avenue Church, in reference to a burglary alarm. They discovered that the church had been broken into on at least two separate occasions during the previous two nights. Joshua Rutherford and Casey Rogers were identified as the suspects in these burglaries by detectives. On Wednesday a search warrant was obtained for a residence near the church. Numerous items from the church were located inside the residence. Rutherford was taken into custody at that residence and Rogers was taken into custody on Thursday in the same area. Rogers was charged with burglary and theft over \$2,500 and Rutherford was charged with two counts of burglary and theft over \$2,500.

LEO/SROs to Receive \$800 Retention Bonus

All eligible law enforcement officers and school resource officers (SROs) in Tennessee are going to get a little something extra in their paychecks this summer. A grant has made it possible for them to get an \$800 retention bonus, according to the Tennessee Department of Commerce & Insurance (TDCI) and the Tennessee Peace Officers Standards Training (POST) Commission. All those officers will get that bonus payment if they've completed their in-service hours for 2023 and are still employed as a law enforcement officer. SROs who have completed the 2023-2024 academic year and the proper amount of training will also be eligible, according to TDCI and POST.

Eligible officers already get an \$800 salary supplement payment from the POST Commission for completion of annual training requirements. This retention bonus is part of \$84 million invested in law enforcement by Tennessee Governor Bill Lee, with \$60 million dedicated to recruiting and retaining law enforcement officers and SROs, and \$24 million allocated to assisting agencies with the cost of training new officers.

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Vehicle Overturned on Hwy 307



A driver sustained minor injuries after losing control and overturning their 2015 Chevrolet SNT on Highway 307 in Athens

just after 4 p.m. on Saturday. The driver was treated at the scene and did not require medical transport. Englewood Rural Fire, Athens Rural Fire, and Niota Rural Fire Departments responded to the incident. McMinn County Sheriff's Sgt. Jason Lee conducted the investigation, with Englewood Rural Fire Chief Billy Roach commanding the scene. *Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department*

What Day is It?

Today in History - July 29

- 1890** - Artist Vincent van Gogh died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound in Auvers, France, at age 37.
- 1914** - The first transcontinental telephone linkup in the U.S. was completed, permitting conversations between San Francisco and New York.
- 1950** - RKO pictures released the Walt Disney adaptation of the Robert Louis Stevenson literary classic, *Treasure Island*.
- 1954** - The first part of J.R.R. Tolkien's fantasy epic *The Lord of the Rings* was published.
- 1958** - President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a bill creating the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
- 1981** - Britain's Prince Charles married Lady Diana Spencer at St. Paul's Cathedral in London.
- 1999** - A day trader opened fire in two Atlanta brokerage offices, killing nine people and wounding 13 before shooting himself to death; he had earlier killed his wife and two children.


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Arrest Reports

Mart Sneed, 35 of Benton, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation State. No Bond.

Michael Stockton, 18 of Niota, was arrested by the MCSO for Driving Under the Influence, Possession of a Handgun under the Influence, and Leaving the Scene of an Accident. Total Bond: \$2,000.

Peyton Buckner, 22 of Niota, was arrested by the MCSO for Criminal Trespassing, Aggravated Burglary, Theft, and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia. No Bond.

Anthony Loubier, 18 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Driving Under the Influence - Underage and Driving on a Suspended License. Total Bond: \$1,500.

Mark Johnson, 39 of Sweetwater, was arrested by the Athens PD for Driving on a Suspended License, Manufacturing/Delivering/Selling/Possession of Schedule VI Cannabis. Total Bond: \$6,000.

Michael Jones, 48 of Madisonville, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation. Total Bond: \$662.45.



The accused are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Information gathered from public sources.

Man Catches Record Cutthroat Trout



A Mississippi man set a new Tennessee record when he caught a massive cutthroat trout. Charles Fulton caught a cutthroat trout recently that weighed 6 pounds and 9 ounces. Fulton, who is from Louisville, Mississippi, landed the trout just below Boone Dam while on an annual fishing trip with

friends. Fulton said he and his friends from North Carolina make time to meet up and often head to Tennessee in search of some prized sporting fish. He told a local TV station that his new record fish was the first cutthroat trout he'd ever caught.

Photo Courtesy of Charles Fulton.

LISTENING REMINDER: This week on *Main Street Moments*: Victoria White from DENSO will join host Sandra Kinney to discuss the Sister Cities Program. The broadcast will be aired at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday on WYXI RADIO : AM-1390 and FM-94.5. *See ad on Page 4.*

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