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Athens Man Arrested in Major Drug and Weapons Bust



On Wednesday, August 7, a large-scale search was conducted at the Athens, Tennessee residence of Daniel Lance Buis and a related storage unit. Authorities discovered approximately 540 grams of methamphetamine, 41 firearms (including four reported stolen), three improvised explosive devices, over \$40,000 in cash, and drug paraphernalia. The operation was the result of a joint investigation involving multiple law enforcement agencies, including the 10th Judicial Drug Task Force, Athens Police, McMinn and Monroe County Sheriff's Offices, Sweetwater Police, and the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation. The ATF was called in to assist with the explosives. Buis was arrested and faces charges including possession of methamphetamine for resale, unlawful possession of firearms, possession of explosive devices, and maintaining a drug dwelling. All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



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Obituaries

James "Claude" Womac, of Riceville, passed away on Friday, August 9. He was a member of Mount Harmony Baptist Church in Riceville where he played bass guitar. The family will receive friends on Monday, August 12, from 5:00-7:00 PM at Ziegler Funeral Home. Funeral services will follow at 7:00 PM at the funeral home. Graveside services will be held on Tuesday, August 13, at 11:00 AM at Short Creek Cemetery. Ziegler Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of James "Claude" Womac.

McMinn County Presented At Tennessee State Fair

McMinn County will be presented by a display at the Tennessee State Fair in Lebanon, TN again this year. The Tennessee Overhill with Nancy Dalton & Brianna Baker with McMinn Tourism, setup the McMinn display, representing highlights from all the towns in McMinn: Athens, Etowah, Englewood, Niota, Calhoun & Riceville. Each town is beautifully unique in their own way contributing to our great county. All 95 Tennessee Counties will be setting up displays at the fair in the State Exhibit Building. This is a "must-see" event. The State Fair in Wilson County runs from August 15th thru 24th. Pictured left to right - Brianna Baker, McMinn County Tourism; Nancy Dalton, Tennessee Overhill.



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Motorcycle Wreck on HWY 307 Leaves Driver Injured



On Friday at 10 a.m., the driver of a 2001 Yamaha XV1 motorcycle lost control on Hwy 307 near Sweetwater. Emergency responders

from Niota Rural Fire, Englewood Rural Fire, and McMinn County Sheriff's Departments quickly arrived at the scene. The driver received initial treatment from AMR before being airlifted by Lifestar to UT Hospital in Knoxville. THP Trooper Andrew Metelits is leading the investigation into the wreck. *Photo provided by Lynn Ingram of the Englewood Rural Fire Department.*

What Day is It?

Today in History - August 12

1851 - Inventor Isaac Singer patented his sewing machine. He made \$13 million in his sewing machine business.

1877 - Thomas Edison made perhaps his most original discovery, the phonograph, and his early recordings were indentations embossed into a sheet of tinfoil by a vibrating stylus.

1881 - Motion-picture director and producer Cecil B. DeMille was born. Among his most successful films were "The 10 Commandments," "The King of Kings," and "Cleopatra."

1883 - The last known quagga, a type of zebra native to South Africa, died in the Amsterdam zoo.

1898 - Hawaii was formally annexed to the United States.

1927 - Country singer Porter Wagoner was born. He was noted for his colorful outfits and for discovering Dolly Parton.

1961 - East Germany began construction of the Berlin Wall, which served as a symbol of the Cold War, separating East Berlin from West Berlin until 1989.

1990 - The most complete and best-preserved skeleton of a Tyrannosaurus rex was found on South Dakota's Cheyenne River Sioux reservation.

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Arrest Reports

Jacob Simonds, 36 of Decatur, was arrested by the MCSO for charges of Domestic Assault and Criminal Trespass. Total Bond: \$2,000.

Austin Witt, 23 of Niota, was arrested by the MCSO for Theft of Property - Motor Vehicle, Possession of Schedule II Fentanyl, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, Burglary, and Theft under \$1,000. No Bond Reported.

Peter Dennis, 29 of Knoxville, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation - Knox County. No Bond.

Brian Boggess, 38 of Niota, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation, Failure to Appear and Unpaid Child Support. Total Bond: \$6,841.45

Lisa Lowe, 57 of Englewood, was arrested by the MCSO for State Violation of Probation. No Bond.

Samantha Kelly, 33 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Possession of a Schedule II Substance for Resale. Total Bond: \$15,000.

Darin Elliot, 41 of Etowah, was arrested by the MCSO for Domestic Assault. Total Bond: \$1,000.

Ahsante Smith, 29 of Athens, was arrested by the MCSO for State Violation of Probation. No Bond.

Brandon Hobock, 32 of Riceville, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation. Total Bond: \$964.90

Cole Carmichael, 35 of Riceville, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation - Bradley Co. No Bond.

Justin Devries, 36 of Decatur, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation. Total Bond: \$2,095.45

Dennis Standridge, 24 of Athens, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation. Total Bond: \$2746.45

Regina Lone, 49 of Cleveland, was arrested by the MCSO for Vandalism over \$1,000. Total Bond: \$2,000.

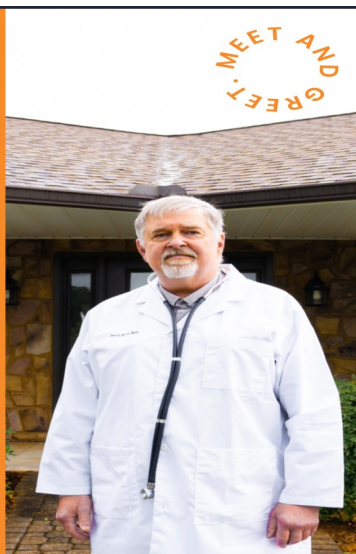
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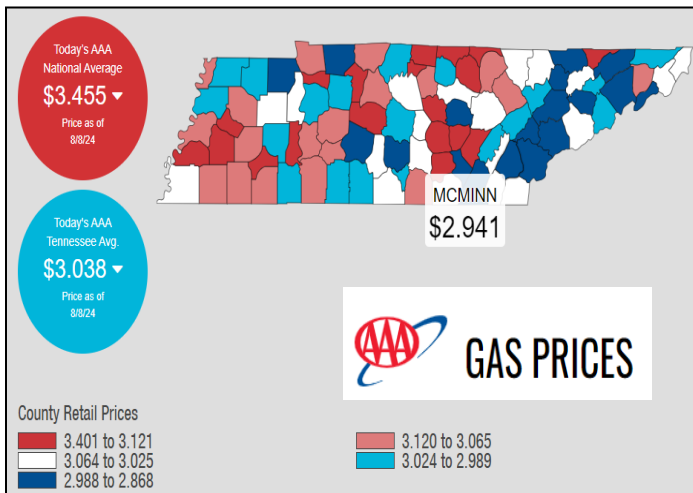
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Gas Prices See Slight Decrease in Aftermath of Debby



reaching a record 13.4 million barrels per day. These trends suggest that pump prices may continue to decline. Meanwhile, the cost of charging electric vehicles remains stable, with the national average for a kilowatt-hour at Level 2 commercial charging stations holding steady at 34 cents.

“With Tropical Storm Debby going through the I-95 corridor impacting the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast, the threat to Gulf Coast oil production and refining is over,” said Andrew Gross, AAA spokesperson. “But tensions in the Middle East and some overseas economic uncertainty may mitigate any drop in oil prices.”

The national average for a gallon of gas has decreased slightly to \$3.45, mirroring prices seen in June. Gasoline demand has fallen, while domestic gasoline stocks and crude oil production have risen, with crude output

Tennessee is now the 2nd least expensive gasoline market in the nation with an average price of \$3.03, seeing the 3rd largest weekly change, a lessening of 7 cents. The McMinn County average is \$2.94. [Graphic and data provided by AAA](#)

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