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Athens, Tennessee

## New District Attorney Sworn In



The 10th Judicial district has a new District Attorney and his name is Stephen Hatchett. The area encompasses Bradley, McMinn, Monroe, and Polk Counties. Hatchett was elected to the position as a result of the August 1st election and

began the swearing in process on Friday August 30, with his first official day in office being Sunday, September 1. Hatchett was read the oath of office by Bradley County's Judge Freiberg in Cleveland as well as in Madisonville and Athens. Polk County's Judge Townsend gave her time to administer the oath of office to Hatchett in Polk County. Above, he is pictured alongside his wife, Rachel and Daughter, Isabella.

*Photo Courtesy of Larry Eaton*

## Community News You Can Use

- The Mid-East TN Community Chorus (METCC) in association with the Hiwassee Bruderhof Community is preparing for its fall and winter concerts. Anyone is welcome to sing or play with the METCC. Rehearsals will be Mondays at 7 p.m. at TWU and Thursdays at 7 p.m. at Hiwassee College. If you are interested, register [HERE](#)
- Helping Hands Ministry of McMinn County is in need of volunteers who are prepared to donate at least two days per month (usually for no more than 5 hours in any day) to carry on their community assistance efforts. They perform emergency home repairs for low-income families. The organization is looking for volunteers with carpentry, plumbing, or electrical skills. To volunteer, contact Helping Hands at (423) 920-4179 or [helpinghand-sathens@yahoo.com](mailto:helpinghand-sathens@yahoo.com).

**LISTENING REMINDER:** This week on *Main Street Moments*: Diane Hutsell of the McMinn Senior Activity Center will join host Sandra Kinney to discuss the Sept. 9th *Eggs and Issues* event. The broadcast will be aired at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday on WYXI RADIO AM-1390 and FM-94.5.

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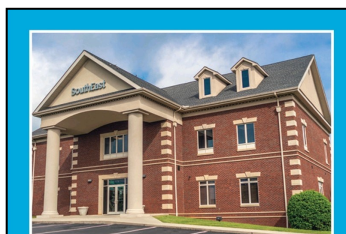
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# Obituaries

**Torie Underdown**, 33, passed away on Friday, August 30. Funeral arrangements will be announced at a later time. Ziegler Funeral Home has been entrusted with serving the family of Torie Underdown.

**Thomas "Sonny" Triplett**, 84, of Etowah, TN, passed away Saturday, August 31. Sonny served 4 years in the United States Navy and spent over 10 years serving communities in our surrounding areas as a minister. Funeral services will be held at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, September 5 in the chapel of Bordwine Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Thursday prior to the service. Family and friends will assemble at Mountain View Cemetery (Brock Cemetery) on Friday, September 6th, for the 10:00 a.m. committal service. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.

**Adelia Annette (Guthrie) Knight**, 85 of Athens, reached heaven to be with her Savior, Wednesday, August 28. She was a teacher and a caretaker all her life. Funeral services were on Monday, September 2. A graveside service will be at 11 am today, September 3rd at McMinn Memory Gardens. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

**Timothy Scott Torbett**, 56, of Englewood passed away on August 11. A celebration of life for Scott was held on August 31 at Englewood Park from 6-8 pm. Companion Funeral Home of Athens and the Cody family were honored to assist his family with the arrangements.

**Blanche Harris Sheffey**, 95, of Athens, TN passed away Friday, August 30. Blanche was a member of Charleston Cumberland Presbyterian Church. In her spare time she loved bird watching and going to the beach with her family. Funeral services will be held at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 3 in the chapel of Bordwine Funeral Home. Family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Tuesday prior to the service. Family and friends will assemble at McMinn Memory Gardens on Wednesday, September 4th for the 2:00 p.m. committal service. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.

**Charles Bennett Newman**, 91 of Athens, transitioned to his eternal home on Thursday, August 29. He retired as a shift foreman from Bowater in 1994 and enjoyed planting and caring for a garden for over 59 years. Charles was a very active member of Allen Memorial United Methodist Church. A service to honor his life will be held at 7:00 PM on Friday, September 6th, in the sanctuary of Allen Memorial UMC. The family will receive friends from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the church with the service immediately following. The service of interment will be at 11:00 am on Saturday, September 7th at the McMinn Memory Gardens. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home in Athens is in charge of the arrangements.

**Peggy Sue Farris Shamblin**, 59, entered into eternal peace with her Savior on August 30th. She was a certified medical assistant, phlebotomist, and most notably, a talented cosmetologist. She co-owned and operated The Shear Touch in Athens for years. Funeral Services will be 2:00 PM Tuesday (today) September 3, 2024 in the chapel of Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home in Athens is in charge of the arrangements.

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## Saturday Storms Drops Tree Onto House



A severe thunderstorm struck Englewood around 6 p.m. on Saturday, causing a large tree to fall onto a house on Reynolds Street. Fortunately, no injuries were reported. Additionally, a large tree limb blocking East Athens Street had to be cleared. Both the Englewood Rural Fire Department and Englewood Police Department responded to the incidents.

*Photo Credit: Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department.*

## Impreza Catches Fire on Hwy 411N



The driver of a 2015 Subaru Impreza reported that the vehicle's electrical system began malfunctioning on Hwy 411N in Englewood, leading to a complete shutdown. Shortly after, smoke and flames erupted from the engine and dashboard, resulting in the vehicle being a total loss. Englewood Rural Fire, AMR, and the Englewood Police Department responded to the scene.

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**WEATHER FORECAST**  
**Tues.** - Partly Sunny. High 85.  
**Tues. night** - Mostly Cloudy. Low 65.  
**Wed.** - Partly Sunny. High 85.  
**Wed. Night** - Mostly Cloudy. Low 63.  
**Thursday** - Sunny. High 85.  
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## TN National Guard Fighting Fires in Great Smoky Mountains



The Tennessee National Guard is assisting in efforts to fight wildfires in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. A wildfire, named the Flint Gap Fire, is near Hannah Mountain, south of Abrams Creek. The fire was first reported to the park on the evening of August 26. The TN National Guard provided four UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters from Knoxville's 1-230th Assault Helicopter Battalion. The helicopters left McGhee Tyson Air National Guard Base with Bambi Buckets used to provide hundreds of gallons of water to fight wildfires. On August 28, three helicopters flew 40 missions delivering 8,000 gallons of water to suppress the fire. The Guard shared that they are prepared to continue supporting the firefighting efforts as long as needed.

*Photo Credit: Tennessee National Guard*

## Vols Beat Mocs 69 - 3

Tennessee kicked off its 2024 season with a commanding 69-3 victory over Chattanooga at Neyland Stadium, amassing 718 yards of total offense. Quarterback Nico Iamaleava led the charge, throwing for 314 yards and three touchdowns in just two quarters, setting a school record for yardage in a half. The Vols' defense held Chattanooga to only 227 total yards and prevented them from reaching the end zone for any touchdowns. Tennessee scored on 10 of their 13 offensive possessions, marking one of the most dominant performances in the program's history. Iamaleava was exceptional, completing 22-of-28 passes. Running back Dylan Sampson added three rushing touchdowns, and wide receiver Dont'e Thornton Jr. caught two TD passes, contributing to Tennessee's 45-0 halftime lead.

The Vols will face No. 24/22 NC State this Saturday in the Duke's Mayo Classic. Tennessee heads to the Bank of America Stadium in Charlotte. Kickoff is scheduled for 7:30 pm with TV coverage on ABC.

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## McMinn County Arrest Reports

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| <p>Sidhartha Reddy, 35 of Niota, was arrested by the MCSO for Joyriding, Bond: \$1,000.</p> <p>Larry Burchum, 40 of Mooreland, IN, was arrested by the THP for Driving on a Suspended License. Total Bond: \$1,000.</p> <p>Summer Bowers, 25 of Reliance, was arrested by the Athens PD for a Failure to appear charge in Bradley County. No Bond.</p> <p>Lana Green, 51 of Englewood, was arrested by the THP for DUI. Total Bond: \$2,000</p> <p>Tashena Williams, 41 of Englewood, was arrested by the Englewood PD for Domestic assault and Introduction of Contraband into a Penal Facility. Total Bond: \$7,500</p> <p>Amy Delashment, 45 of Sweetwater was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation. Total Bond: \$1,133.95</p> | <p>Kyle Hickox, 36 of Athens, was arrested by the TBI for 2nd Degree Murder. Total Bond: \$600,000</p> <p>Bradley Byers, 37 of Athens was arrested by the MCSO for Felony Evading, Driving on a Revoked License, and Resisting Arrest. Total Bond: \$6,500</p> <p>Charles Sherlin, 41 of Cleveland, was arrested by the MCSO for State Violation of Probation and Theft of Property \$2,500 - \$10,000. No Bond.</p> <p>Lacey Tallent, 20 of Tellico Plains, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation and Possession of Schedule II Meth. Total Bond: \$12,368.00</p> <p>Maryann Leggett, 43 of Athens, was arrested by the MCSO for Criminal Simulation, Theft over \$10,000</p> |
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**The accused are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. The preceding information was compiled from public sources.**



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