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Athens, Tennessee

Police Nab Auto Burglary Suspects

Athens police have arrested three suspects on burglary charges in connection with vehicle break-ins. Officers arrested the suspects near Madison Townhomes. One of the officers was struck by a vehicle driven by one of the suspects, but was not injured. Officers arrested 25-year-old James Polk, 18-year-old Jamal Norman, and 20-year-old Alfred Boyd on burglary charges. Polk was also charged with theft and assault against a first responder.

ISAIAH 117 HOUSE UPDATE

Several weeks ago we reported that the Isaiah 117 organization was looking for property in McMinn County to build a house where children who have been removed from their families by the courts can live until a foster home is found for them. Spokeswoman Jennifer Collins says Tim and Melinda King have donated land for the house. Tim will be in charge of building the house. Collins says she hopes it will be open by the end of this year.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Thursday 5-27

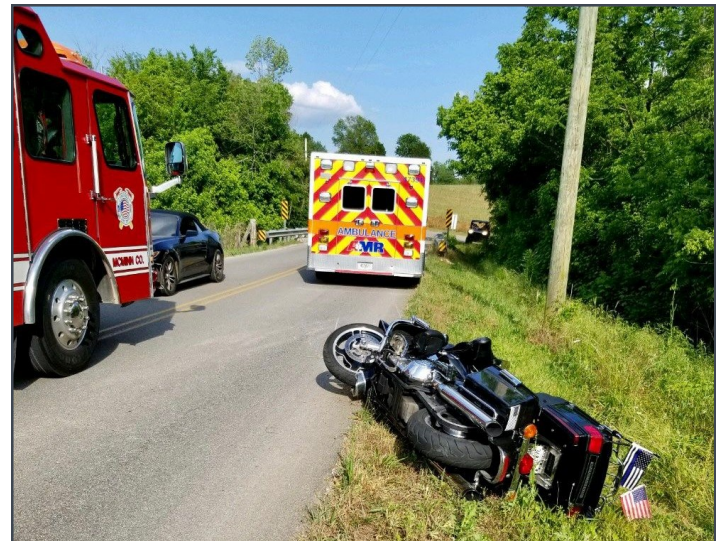
Tennessee: 862,098 cases, up 392. 12,428 deaths up 22.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	6,582 up 3	41	99
Meigs	1,400	8	25
Monroe	5,918 up 4	34	96
Polk	2,105 up 1	21	25
Bradley	15,195 up 8	83	153
Rhea	4,377 up 3	16	75

Dog Causes Motorcycle Wreck

Around 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, a dog ran out in front of this 2009 Harley Davidson motorcycle on County Road 460, Englewood, causing the operator to lose control. The driver was transported to Sweetwater Hospital by AMR. The Englewood Rural Fire Department responded. State Trooper Gordon Roberts investigated the accident.

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

- ♦ **Fay DePriest Smithson**, age 93, of Knoxville (and formerly of Athens), died Wednesday at Deane Hill Place in Knoxville. She was a social worker with the Tennessee Department of Health for 25 years until her retirement. Funeral services will be Tuesday, June 1st, at 1 p.m., at Smith Funeral Home, with visitation from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- ♦ **David Edward "Ed" Delzell**, age 67, of Athens, died Thursday at his home. He was the former Vice President and co-owner of Cash Advance in Knoxville. There will be no formal visitation or funeral services. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- ♦ **Deonte Patrick Womac-Dyer**, age 25, died May 21st. A celebration of life will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. at Companion Funeral Home of Athens, with visitation from 11 a.m. To 1 p.m.
- ♦ **Torrance Eugene Carter**, age 49, of Etowah, died May 23rd. He was employed at Denso. Funeral services were held Thursday at M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home in Athens.
- ♦ **Scott Moses**, age 58, of Tellico Plains, TN., died Wednesday. No formal services will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.

Church News & Events

- The St. Mark AME Zion Church Food Pantry Ministry will have a Food Giveaway this Saturday, May 29, from 1:30 p.m. until it's gone. The church is located at 707 N. Jackson Street, Athens.
- Athens First Baptist Church will have VBS titled "Destination DIG" June 7th-10th from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for ages 4 years through 5th grade.
- Benton native Thomas Brown will be sharing the Gospel in song and testimony Sunday at 6 p.m. at the Athens Church of the Nazarene, 1908 West Madison Avenue.
- If you or someone you know is battling addiction, struggling with anger, or other life issues, Planted In Christ Outreach Fellowship, 317 Maple Street, in Athens invites you to attend Outreach Deliverance Classes every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
- Niota First Baptist Church will present "Life on Wednesday" at 6 p.m. each week with Bible Study and games for all first grade through high school students. Snacks are provided.
- Union McMinn Baptist Church will have Vacation Bible School titled "Concrete Cranes June 6-11 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Supper served nightly. For information, call 568-2395.
- Sanford Baptist Church will have VBS (Destination Dig) June 14th-18th at 6:30 for all ages. The church is located on County Road 50, Riceville.

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