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## Wanted Man in Nashville Captured in Monroe County



A man wanted in Nashville was captured by detectives with the Monroe County Sheriff's Office and Monroe County Violent Crime Task Force Friday night. According to the sheriff's office,

detectives were able to track down the man late Friday evening after hours of hard work. The man was reportedly wanted out of Nashville for theft of more than \$10,000. The sheriff's office said the man was located and taken into custody. Detectives recovered a stolen Enterprise truck as well as the stolen property that had been taken with the truck from the Nashville area. The Monroe County Task Force is funded by a grant contract with the State of Tennessee and consists of members from the Madisonville Police Department, Sweetwater Police Department, Vonore Police Department and the Tellico Plains Police Department. *Photo Credit: Monroe Co. Sheriff's Dept.*

## Community News You Can Use

- According to the McMinn County Highway Department, McMinn County Road 422, the Englewood-Niota Road will be closed on the side nearest Highway 307 today, Thursday, May 2, 2024, at 8:30 AM for road construction.
- The Good Faith Clinic is free primary health care for residents of McMinn and Meigs counties, ages of 18-64, who do not have any form of medical insurance, including TennCare. The Good Faith Clinic will be open Tuesday, May 14 and Tuesday, May 28 at 3 pm for refills and 3:30 for doctor visits. The clinic meets on the campus of Christ Community Church at 18 S Congress Parkway in Athens.
- [Studio 3:16 Community Art Space](#) is hosting a "[Backcountry Bear](#)" painting class on Friday, May 3 from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. This is perfect for beginners and seasoned painters alike. Bring snacks and non-alcoholic beverages to make it a party with your friends! The cost is \$25 with an optional upgrade to a larger canvas for just \$5 more. All skill levels welcome! The studio is located at 316 N. White Street in Athens with limited seats available. Don't wait and click [HERE](#) to secure your spot and be entered for an outdoor supply bucket DOOR PRIZE!



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**Friday** - Mostly Cloudy, 50% chance of storms in the afternoon. High 80.

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## Cleveland Deceased Women Identified

In a follow-up to Friday's story found [HERE](#), fire authorities in Bradley County have concluded their investigation into a tragic residential fire that resulted in the loss of two elderly women's lives. The fire occurred at a residence situated on the 100 block of North Brook Drive NE. Upon arrival, responders discovered 93-year-old Myrtle Irene Moore and her 68-year-old daughter, Denese Moore, within the premises. Investigators determined that the smoke detector failed to function, failing to warn the occupants. The victims were taken to a nearby hospital where they succumbed to their injuries, mainly smoke inhalation. The fire originated in the kitchen and has been deemed accidental. The fire caused \$70,000 in property and material losses.

## This Day in History

- **1519** - Artist Leonardo da Vinci died.
- **1863** - Confederate General Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson was mistakenly shot by his own soldiers. He died 8 days later. His image is one of those engraved on Georgia's Stone Mountain.
- **1890** - The Oklahoma Territory was organized.
- **1939** - New York Yankees first baseman Lou Gehrig's streak of 2,130 consecutive games played, came to an end when the ailing slugger removed himself from the lineup.
- **1945** - The Soviet Union announced the fall of Berlin and the Allies announced the surrender of Nazi troops in Italy and parts of Austria.
- **1972** - J. Edgar Hoover, head of the FBI for 48 years, died at age 77.
- **2011** - Osama bin Laden, founder of the terrorist organization al-Qaeda, was killed by U.S. forces in Abbottabad, Pakistan.

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## Voter Registration Form Discrepancies

A federal judge has determined that Tennessee's voter registration form breaches federal law in anticipation of several significant elections this year. The matter revolves around the voting rights of convicted felons, where discrepancies exist within Tennessee's policy regarding which felons can vote and which cannot. The judge cited clarity issues with the state's voter registration form. Tennessee officials have indicated their intent to explore all legal avenues, suggesting they may pursue an appeal of the ruling.

## Obituary

Thomas Jerry Webb, 82 of Knoxville, passed away Tuesday, April 30th. He was born in McMinn County and is survived locally by sisters, Joyce Kilpatrick of Riceville and Sharon Offutt (John) of Athens. A military graveside service will be at 12:30 p.m. today at Sunrise Cemetery in Englewood. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of the arrangements.

## Spring City Chosen for Revitalization Program

Spring City has been selected by Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development (TNECD) Commissioner Stuart C. McWhorter to join the ninth round of the Tennessee Downtowns program. This initiative spans two years and assists selected communities and their steering committees in implementing revitalization strategies. The Tennessee Downtowns program includes community training based on the National Main Street Center's Four-Point Approach and offers a \$15,000 grant for a downtown improvement project.

Commissioner McWhorter emphasized the importance of investing in rural Tennessee, stating, "The investments we make in rural Tennessee benefit all Tennesseans, and the Tennessee Downtowns program allows us to equip some of our most rural communities with the tools needed to better develop and revitalize their downtown districts."

TNECD provides the Tennessee Downtowns program to communities that want to pursue the Main Street America approach to downtown revitalization. Other communities chosen for the program include Adamsville, Baxter, Byrdstown, Camden, Decatur, Gleason, Jellico, Loudon, McEwen, Munford, and Wartrace.









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