

# Nashville Chief-Gazette

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## Cause Unknown of Comm Outage

Barbie Barbara

On July 19, 2014 all cell phone communications in Nashville were interrupted from late in the evening until daybreak the following day.

Widespread confusion and panic dominated the evening as the city was suddenly unable to send any form of communication over the phone network. Emergency services were crippled and cries for help went unheard.

"We still don't know what happened!" exclaims downtown partygoer Anna Yolen, "I mean, I paid my bill and everything. I couldn't even get through to customer service to give them a piece of my mind. This is an outrage!"

"We worked tirelessly through the night," relayed one AT&T spokesperson. "We are very sensitive to the fact that everyone in Nashville needs to be in contact. We are unable to comment further as to the direct nature of the service interruption."

### Tonight's Picks

**Music:** Steely Dan / Schermerhorn Ctr.

**Cheap:** Glove Love / Centennial Pk

**Odd:** Ghost Tours / Broadway Exxon



## Construction halt continues on Demonbreun



Above: Equipment sits unused in a deep hole next to Demonbreun where a former building stood. Owners hoped to have The Diner open by Spring, which now hinges on committee decisions.

## Child Neglect Case Shakes Neighbors

Jim Rennie

Thomas and Rose Newhall were considered by most to be devoted parents. Thomas is a manager at Emdeon, and Rose owns a small business selling items on Etsy.

On July 31<sup>st</sup>, the couple were arrested in their Hendersonville home after their four year old went for help at a neighbor's house.

"She showed up wearing only a filthy shirt, and saying that Mommy and Daddy were playing a game. When I walked over the first thing I noticed was the smell," explained Ron Gartner, who called police.

The couple's three month old daughter had passed away in her crib, apparently due to abject neglect on the part of the parents. Initially both adults insisted that they had no children, until they were cuffed and let to a squad car, at which point they broke down crying.

## The Diner Sidewalk May Be Core Issue

Julia Shumway

The corner of Demonbreun Street and Third Avenue South remains full of construction equipment, but lacks any sign of progress as weeks start to stretch into months. A MDHA committee meets with the owners on August 4th.

While unapproved demolition stopped work, clearance for future expansion of Demonbreun with a 14 foot wide sidewalk is one of the key issues. "We must protect Demonbreun, as it is one of the oldest and most storied streets in Nashville," said Lynda Roth with Metro Zoning.

The SoBro area of downtown has seen a tremendous amount of development in the last decade. The other three corners of the intersection have seen the Schermerhorn Symphony Center opening in 2006, The Encore Building in 2008, and the Pinnacle at Symphony Place in 2010. The Diner was originally slated to open in 2012, but the land purchase was delayed.

# NASHVILLE UNVEILED: BLOOD & SMOKE

## STREET RUMORS

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The Frist is disturbing. I can't believe nobody has noticed how it doesn't fit into downtown at all!

Battlefield 4: Dragon's Teeth has taken a creepy turn, with dozens of local players logging in and just assembling together, all around a couple players they adore. Weirdos.

Car accidents have continued, with strange claims that the streetlights spoke to them or told them to do things. Authorities think alcohol or drugs may be involved.

*Hayseeds* continues to cause protests. It looks like the local conspiracy set have added it to their regular set of "things we are outraged about", like Miley Cyrus's butt or people wearing Pharell's hat.

Tom, you're crazy. Turning on my computer doesn't make our kids go away. We don't have kids, and you know it. I need to get these orders out.



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The Carthians are pissed off at the Prince. I don't know what happened, but a few left the city.

The Mekhet and Ordo are at each other's throats.

Does anybody know how to create Gargoyles? I hear it's something that only the Ordo can do.

Swine is *still* alive. News at 11.

Paulene has managed to piss off Mr. Wye! Again! Oh, the Carthians will savage the Crone.

The Mekhet and Ordo are in conspiracy, working together.

Is it safe to keep Swine in the basement? I mean, wasn't he cursed or something?

## PREVIOUSLY...

*2014-07-19: Flash of Blood*

A large portion of the City went to the FENRIS meeting. Apparently they are backed by a giant shape shifting wolf! Those in attendance learned, and relayed, that all members in attendance were wearing a Holy symbol and some could see through the veils and disguises given by certain powers of the blood.

People are sore at Jack Cade but those details were murky at best.

Some prominent kindred of the city suspect another Architect may be in town, and Malone asked Stephen to use his special skill set to learn more about the issues with the traffic lights. The Invictus Primogen balked

and let her know he would keep her request in mind, but made it clear he took no orders from the Seneschal, only requests like every other member of the city, showing that for an Invictus he knows little of city politics but certainly has some balls.

A bomb went off in Elysium, injuring a few kindred and leaving some more than a little frazzled, the Invictus Primogen especially seemed out of sorts and jumpy for the rest of the night. So much so that when pressed for answers by the keeper he lost it and ran, shortly followed by frenzy. It took the Master of Elysium and the Sheriff but they were able to subdue him after a bit of a struggle; apparently he is faster than he looks. After escaping the thrall of frenzy he was allowed to leave without further molestation, apparently the Sheriff and Master were satisfied with his answers.

*As always, this was written by players by you, and exists due to the requests of players. Simply ask for access. We are a roleplaying game that plays biweekly, not a computer game.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chris is back! Yay!

Everybody should have a touchstone, aspirations, and Mask and Dirge. If you have any questions about these things, please ask!

Sarah moved to Lexington. Yes, this devoured my week leading up to game. Unless she next moves to Cincinnati right before next game, I should be getting things out more promptly, including emails.

Don't tell anyone, but show this sentence to Chris during feeding draws for a beat.

If you succeed at an aspiration, make sure that a staff member notes it, so you get a beat. In fact, **make sure all beats are recorded on your Game Log.**

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## FEEDING RESISTANCE: 4

*Do a hunting draw, subtract the above from your pool. Success: start full. Failure: start down five or twice your blood potency, whichever is larger. You may run a feeding scene to "top off".*

*If you are unaligned, add three to the above.*