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LOCAL & AREA NEWS

◆ NOTED ACTOR COMING TO ATHENS

Actor Kirk Cameron will be in Athens this Saturday to speak to an Athens Area Chamber of Commerce fundraising dinner. The event will be held at the gymnasium at McMinn County High School at 6 p.m. Cameron played the part of Captain Caleb Holt in the movie "Fireproof." The movie tells the story of a firefighter who was trained to rescue victims, who faces the challenge of rescuing his own marriage. Cameron also played the role of Cameron "Buck" Williams in the "Left Behind" movie series. In 1985, he starred in the ABC sitcom "Growing Pains." Tickets to the Saturday event are sold out.

◆ VOLUNTEER ENERGY SCAM ALERT

A man claiming to be a representative of Volunteer Energy Cooperative telephoned at least two Meigs County residents early Wednesday morning attempting to get money. The man, who identified himself as Bill Garret, told both residents that they were behind on their electric bills and tried to convince them to transfer money to an account to pay up. He threatened to send a crew out to shut their power off "right now." Volunteer Energy officials say neither of the residents were taken-in by the scammer and alerted VEC. VEC President/CEO Rody Blevins says Volunteer Energy never calls customers later than 9 p.m. unless it concerns an emergency power outage.

NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

◆ A federal judge blocked the most controversial parts of Arizona's new immigration law just hours before the law would take effect. The law will take effect, but without the section that requires police to check a person's immigration status while enforcing other laws. The judge also put on hold the part of the law that required immigrants to carry their papers at all times.

◆ Two U.S. citizens were among the 152 people killed Wednesday when an Airblue Airbus A321 jet crashed into the hills overlooking Islamabad, Pakistan, during rainy weather. The cause of the crash is not known, but the Pakistani government does not suspect terrorism.

◆ New orders for U.S. manufactured goods like cars and planes fell unexpectedly for a second straight month in June. Wall Street reacted with the Dow Jones Industrials Average closing at 10,497.88; down 39.81 points.

◆ Bedbugs are spreading at an unprecedented rate in New York City. Officials have announced the start of an anti-bedbug program. The bugs, whose bites leave itchy red welts, have been discovered in theaters, clothing stores, office buildings, housing projects, posh apartments and, of course, hotels.

◆ A zedonk, a cross between a donkey and a zebra, has been born at the Chestatee Wildlife Preserve in Dahlonega, Georgia.




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Community News You Can Use

- The Etowah AYSO Fall Soccer sign-ups will be held at the Cornerstone Church at 719 Ohio Avenue (near the library) this Saturday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and next Monday and Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. Any child born before January 31, 2006, is eligible to play. You need to bring your child's birth certificate with you to the sign-ups. The cost is \$25 for one child and \$45 for two. Call 263-4213 for more information.

- The McMinn County Bulldogs 13 and under baseball team will be having a car wash at Auto-Zone in Athens this Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

- The McMinn Cherokees Cross Country Runners will have a yard sale this Saturday in the lower parking lot at Citizens National Bank on Congress Parkway. Donations for the yard sale will be taken on Friday from 5 to 8 p.m. at the same location.

- Spay/netuer days in Decatur will be August 2nd and 9th at the Meigs County Fairgrounds. Dogs \$50, cats \$40, rabies \$10. Call 435-3811 for reservations.

- Morning Pointe of Athens will host an education workshop about VA benefits on August 26 at 6:30 p.m. The workshop is free and open to the public. Call 745-0608 to register. Morning Pointe is located at 1025 Crestway Drive.

Obituaries

Susan Cheryl Rymer Goldblatt, age 44, of East Ridge died this past Monday in a traffic crash. She was a 1983 graduate of McMinn County High School, where she was a cheerleader. She was the daughter of Dr. Al Rymer of Delano and the brother of Dr. David Rymer of Athens. She was a 21-year employee of the Southeast Tennessee Development District where she was a Regional Planner and Director of Community Development. She helped write grants for various governments in Southeast Tennessee, including McMinn County. Funeral services were held yesterday at B'Nai Zion Congregation in Chattanooga. Donations can be sent to the Goldblatt Trust, c/o B'Nai Zion Congregation, 114 McBrien Road, Chattanooga, TN 37411.

TODAY IN HISTORY - JULY 29

1883 - Italian dictator Benito Mussolini was born. He founded Fascism and ruled Italy for almost 21 years.

1914 - The first transcontinental telephone linkup in the U.S. was completed, permitting conversations between San Francisco and New York.

1966 - Country singer Martina McBride was born. Among her hits, "Blessed" and "In My Daughter's Eyes."

1981 - Britain's Prince Charles married Lady Diana Spencer at St. Paul's Cathedral in London.



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