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## **Today's News...This Morning**

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Athens, Tennessee

## STATE AND LOCAL NEWS

#### ♦ TENNESSEE IS A TAX-FRIENDLY STATE

Kiplinger.com has selected Tennessee as one of the most tax-friendly states for retirees. The Website points out that Tennessee has no state income tax on salaries, wages, Social Security benefits, IRA distributions and pension income. The state does levy a 6% tax on stock dividends and interest income from bonds and other investments, but the first \$2,500 for joint filers is exempt and joint filers with total income of \$27,000 or under are exempt from the tax on interest and dividends. Tennessee does have some of the highest sales-tax rates in the U.S., with a 7% statewide sales tax on most items. Counties and cities may tack on another 1.5% to 2.75%. Real estate is assessed at 25% of market value. Depending on location, property taxes may be assessed by the city, the county, or both.

♦ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ Woods Memorial Hospital will hold a Community Health and Wellness Exposition this Thursday from 3 to 7 p.m., with free blood pressure checks and depression screening. Flu shots are available for \$20 or they will file Medicare for you. Also, unwanted prescription drugs can be dropped off, courtesy of the Etowah Police Department. (More Community News on Page Two)

## NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

◆ Faisal Shahzad, the Pakistani immigrant who tried to set off a car bomb in Times Square, has been sentenced to life in prison. Shahzad smirked as the judge said she hopes he spends time behind bars thinking carefully about whether the Koran really teaches him to kill lots of innocent people.

• Pakistani officials now say eight German militants were killed in a U.S. missile strike earlier this week. The U.S. believes a cell of Germans and Britons are at the heart of an Osama bin Laden-linked terror plot against European cities.

• Stocks rallied on Tuesday as investors cheered encouraging economic data and new steps by the Bank of Japan to stimulate its lackluster economy. The Dow Jones Industrials Average closed at 10,944.72; up 193.45 points.

• Solar power is coming to President Obama's house. The White House announces that solar panels will be installed atop the Presidential living quarters. The panels will heat water for the First Family and supply some electricity.

◆ Voters complain about having clowns for politicians. However, voters in Brazil actually elected a clown. The real-life clown got more than 1.3 million votes in Sunday's congressional election.



**COMMUNITY PARENT NIGHT MEETING Concerning Prescription Drug Abuse** Mon., Oct. 11th 6 pm-7:30 pm McMinn Co. High School - Cafeteria Tues., Oct. 12th 6 pm - 7:30 pm Etowah City School - Cafeteria " Parents who once baby-proofed their home now need to teen-proof their medicine cabinets. " - Laura Rust MADCAT 920.6555

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## **New Home Sales Report**

There were a total of 32 verifiable home sales in McMinn County between September 1 to October 1. The total sales volume was \$2,205,700. During the same period last year there were 20 sales, the total sales volume was \$1,717,421.

County Road 103, Athens - \$17,500 Palos Street, Athens - \$20,000 County Road 177, Athens - \$21,000 E Farrell Street, Niota -\$24,500 North Jackson Street, Athens - \$25,000 Cate Street, Niota - \$26,750 County Road 750, - \$29,900 County Road 623, Etowah - \$27,000 County Road 213, Athens - \$32,000 Tennessee Ave, Etowah - \$32,000 County Road 62, Riceville - \$32,400 County Road 571, Englewood - \$37,100 County Road 572 - \$165,000 Johnson Street, Etowah - \$40,000 Ohio Ave, Etowah - \$43,000 Sunnyside Ave, Englewood - \$43,050 Sterling Road, Athens - \$47,900 County Road 249 - \$55,000 Ohio Ave, Etowah - \$61,500 Holt Street, Athens - \$70,000 County Road 604, Athens -\$72,000

County Road 456, Athens - \$79,500 County Road 78, Riceville - \$80,000 Highway 68, Niota - \$92,400 County Road 445, Athens - \$99,900 Dossett Street, Athens - \$108,300 County Road 119, Athens - \$120,000 Ohio Avenue, Etowah - \$122,000 County Road 137, Riceville - \$131,500 Fyke Drive Athens - \$141,500 County Road 285 Niota - \$148,000 County Road 252 - \$160,000

Information provided by: Tennessee Valley Appraisal Service, 208 Green Street, Athens, TN 746-0027 www.tvasinc.com

### **Obituaries**

Mrs. Willie Stanley Knox, age 101, of Niota died Monday at Life Care of Athens. She was retired from Crescent Hosiery Mill. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Wednesday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m.

Sandra Marie York, age 45, of Etowah died Sept. 30 at Athens Regional Medical Center. A memorial service will be held on October 17 in Cherokee, North Carolina, Smith Funeral Home & Cremation Service of Athens is in charge of local arrangements.

#### **MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:**

- A staff member of Legal Aid of East Tennessee will see eligible clients in McMinn County this Friday at the Courthouse from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Call 1-800-445-3219 for an appointment.

- The MEDIC Regional Blood Center's Bloodmobile will be at Woods Memorial Hospital tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

- The Athens Public Works Department advises that the streets in the downtown business district from Coach Farmer Drive to Bank Street and from Hill Street to Green Street will be closed from 4 p.m. Friday to 8:30 p.m. Saturday for the Pumpkintown Festival.



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#### WEATHER

Wednesday - Frost early, then sunny. High-72. Wednesday night - Mostly clear. Low-mid 40's. Thursday - M ostly sunny. High-upper 70's. More wx at: www.wyxi.com



## **TODAY IN HISTORY - October 6**

**1846** - Inventor George Westinghouse was born. He invented such things as the gas meter and air brakes for railroad trains.

**1914** - Norwegian adventurer Thor Heyerdahl was born. He became famous for traveling from Peru to eastern Polynesia in a balsawood raft.

**1927** - "The Jazz Singer" starring Al Jolson opened in New York City. It was the first full-length talking motion picture. However, there were only 291 spoken words in the film.

**1962** - Robert Goulet finally stepped out of the role of Sir Lancelot after singing and acting the part since 1960 in the fabulously successful Broadway musical "Camelot." It also starred Richard Burton as King Arthur and Julie Andrews as Queen Guenevere.

**1973** - The Yom Kippur War began when Egypt and Syria attacked I srael. I srael won the war 19 days later.