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Athens, Tennessee

Tuesday - January 18, 2011

LOCAL - STATE NEWS

◆ McMinn Co. Leads State in Meth Labs

For the second year in a row, McMinn County had more meth lab seizures than any county in Tennessee. Last year, 161 suspected meth labs were seized in McMinn County. Monroe County took second place with 139 labs, followed by Campbell County with 117 and Hamilton County with 104. All four counties are clustered along I-75 and accounted for nearly one-fourth of Tennessee's meth lab seizures last year.

◆ CAR HITS ICY SPOT AND FLIPS

Stephanie Warf of Delano was injured Sunday morning when her car hit an icy spot on County Road 609, ran off the road, up a bank, and then flipped. It landed in the ditch facing in the opposite direction.

She was transported by Rural-Metro to Athens Regional Medical Center. The Etowah



Rescue Squad and Claxton Rural Fire Department responded to the scene. (Photo by Jay Thomson)

NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

◆ Rep. Gabrielle Giffords' husband says she is doing so well that she insisted on giving him a 10-minute neck massage from her hospital bed. Astronaut Mark Kelly says the gesture shows that his wife is improving and that her spirit remains strong. Kelly also says he would be willing to meet with the parents of Jared Loughner, who is accused of trying to assassinate Giffords.

◆ Apple Chief Executive Steve Jobs is taking medical leave for the second time in two years. The announcement came nearly two years to the day after Jobs first took a six-month break to undergo a liver transplant.

◆ Former Peace Corps director and vice-presidential nominee R. Sargent Shriver is listed in critical condition at a hospital in Maryland. Shriver is 95 and is suffering from Alzheimer's disease.

◆ A federal grand jury is examining how much former presidential candidate John Edwards knew about the money that was used to cover up his extramarital affair and out-of-wedlock child and determine whether he violated campaign finance laws.

◆ Minnesota Vikings quarterback Brett Favre has filed his retirement papers with the NFL after a 20-season career.

◆ The city of Ogden, Utah, is proposing to use an unmanned floating airship surveillance system. The blimp would be equipped with two night vision cameras. The mayor says the blimp would be cheaper to operate than helicopters or airplanes. He says it will be a deterrent to crime and will help police solve crimes more quickly when they do occur.

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Restaurant Spotlight

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Western Sizzlin Steak House-1804 Decatur Pike (745-2626)

Tuesday, (11a-4p) 6 oz. Chicken Breast with Salad, Potato, Bakery, & Dessert Bars, \$6.99. Monday-Thursday (All Day) - 10 oz. RIB EYE STEAK with Potato, Bakery, & Dessert Bars, \$9.99.

Stonehaus Deli & Bakery, 601 Madison Ave. (745-9116)

Grilled Cheese w/Bowl of Soup, \$5.99; Buffalo Chicken Salad, \$5.99; Cheese Stuffed Shells w/salad, \$5.99. *Healthier Option:* Grilled Chicken Breast w/Fruit, \$4.99; Tomato Basil Soup. **Open Sunday for Brunch!**

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COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

- √ The Athens Area Community Chorus will begin rehearsals for its spring concert, featuring the music of Haydn, Mozart, and Beethoven, from 7 to 9 tonight in the Houts Choir Room of the Sherman Fine Arts Building at Tennessee Wesleyan College. Rehearsals will take place each Tuesday at the same time and location through March 29. New members interested in joining the AACC may attend the first rehearsal. A vocal diagnostic to check range and pitch will be conducted at the end of the rehearsal. The spring concert will take place Saturday and Sunday, April 2 and April 3.
- √ The McMinn County Election Commission will meet in regular session at 5 p.m. today in the conference room of the McMinn County Courthouse Annex.
- √ The Etowah Area Chamber of Commerce invites you to attend Breakfast Before Hours on Wednesday, January 19th, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. The event will be hosted by Easy Tax Plus located at 812 Tennessee Avenue in Etowah.
- √ The MADCAT Coalition will have its first meeting of the year this Wednesday, January 19th, at noon in the Tennessee Wesleyan College cafeteria.
- √ The Athens Public Works Department announces that Forrest Avenue will be closed to through traffic from Ingleside Avenue to E. Madison Avenue on Wednesday, Jan. 19, from 12 noon to 5:30 p.m. The purpose of the closure is to allow Athens Utilities Board crews to replace a utility pole.

OBITUARIES

- Betty T. Itsumi Melton**, age 80, of Athens died last Friday at Life Care Center of Athens. She was a native of Osaka, Japan, and met her future husband-Clarence Edward Melton, Sr. - in Japan while he was serving in the U.S. Air Force. She worked in the cafeteria at McMinn County High School for nearly 20 years before her retirement. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Ziegler Funeral Home.
- Charles Powell**, age 77, of Reliance, died Sunday at Life Care Center of Athens. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Bierley-Hale Funeral Home in Madisonville, with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday.
- Anthony "Bubba" Steward, Jr.**, age 30, of the Short Creek Community, died Saturday at Athens Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Ziegler.

Here's another snow photo. This tree belongs to Jim & Bobbie Wallace. The photo was submitted by Becky Coleman.



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THIS DAY IN HISTORY-Jan. 18

- 1782** - Daniel Webster was born. No, he's not the man who invented the dictionary. Daniel Webster was a U.S. Senator and served as Secretary of State under Presidents William Henry Harrison, John Tyler, and Millard Fillmore.
- 1848** - Englishman Matthew Webb, the first person to swim across the English Channel, was born.
- 1882** - English author A.A. Milne was born. Two of his books, "Winnie-the-Pooh" and "The House at Pooh Corner," have become children's classics.
- 1940** - The Tennessee Valley Authority closed the gates at its new Chickamauga Dam and waters of the Tennessee River began backing up, creating Chickamauga Lake. The lake sprawls across five east Tennessee counties.
- 1942** - Singer Bobby Goldsboro was born. His biggest hit record was "Honey."
- 1942** - Boxer Cassius Clay was born in Louisville, Kentucky. He later changed his name to Muhammad Ali.

WHEN RADIO WAS

Old-Time Radio Shows
 6:05-7 pm Nightly
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 Tonight:
Father Knows Best (1950) & Suspense (1946)

WEATHER

Tuesday - Cloudy. 80% rain. High-upper 40's.
Tues. night - Cloudy 30% rain, sleet, or snow. Low-30.
Wednesday - Partly sunny. High-mid 40's.
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