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Athens, Tennessee

Friday-January 04, 2012

State & Local News

◆ UPDATE ON NEW VETERANS CLINIC

It's been five months since Congressman John Duncan, Jr., announced that the Veterans Administration had decided to open a new VA clinic in McMinn County. Duncan said at the time, that he hoped the clinic could be open in about six months. Things have been quiet for several months until about two weeks ago when the Department of Veterans Affairs ran newspaper ads in the Daily Post-Athenian looking for a building to lease for five years for use as a Community Based Outpatient Clinic. The ad says the building has to have about 5,000 square feet of usable space with on-site parking for 25 vehicles. The building should be located within five driving miles of Athens Regional Medical Center. It can be a new building or a modification of an existing building. The deadline for building owners to submit leasing proposals is at 5:30 p.m. today.

◆ MOST POPULAR BABY NAMES FOR 2012

Again last year, the most popular name for boys in Tennessee was William. Emma again was the most popular girl's name. Other names on the most popular list for boys were Mason, Elijah, James, Jacob, Jackson, Ethan and Noah. The top names for girls included Ava, Olivia, Isabella, Sophia, Abigail, and Madison.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ Ohio Rep. John Boehner was re-elected as speaker of the House Thursday in a voice vote despite nine defections from fellow Republicans. Republicans retained a majority in the chamber after November's election and Boehner received the backing of 220 Republicans for the speakership.

◆ Eight employees at an Indiana hospital, including at least three veteran nurses, have been fired after refusing mandatory flu shots. Responding to rising concerns about the spread of influenza, the hospital imposed mandatory vaccines, stirring up controversy over which should come first, employee rights or patient safety.

◆ 44 children have been rescued from sexual abuse as part of a child pornography investigation by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Over a five week period, 245 arrests were made in late 2012.

◆ A State Department spokesperson confirmed the news of Hillary Clinton returning to work next week, and that she will testify on the Benghazi attacks. The dates are not known at this time as to when she will testify. Both President Obama and Secretary of State Clinton have begun to acknowledge that the September 11, 2012 attack on the Libyan consulate was the work of al-Qaeda linked terrorists.

FREE Chronic Disease Self-Management Class Offered by:
Meigs County Health Department and U.T. Extension every Tuesday Jan 8th-Feb 12th from 2-4 p.m. or 6-8 p.m.
 For chronic diseases: **DIABETES, ARTHRITIS, COPD**, etc. learn how to manage symptoms, fight fatigue, pain, and prevent health problems.
To register or for more information, call Meagen Brown, U.T. Extension at 334-5781 or Beth Delaney at 634-1947.

TENNESSEE WESLEYAN COLLEGE
 Transfer, Evening & Graduate
Information SESSION
 Friday, January 18, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.
 Sherman Fine Arts Building - TWC Campus
 Our free Information Session is an excellent opportunity for prospective Transfer, Evening or Graduate Program Students who are interested in enrolling at Tennessee Wesleyan.
 Enjoy a complimentary dinner as you learn about the TWC transfer, evening and graduate programs' admission process. The session will offer valuable information regarding scholarships, financial aid and the transcript evaluation process.
 Please RSVP for the complimentary dinner and information session by Monday, Jan. 14 to swest@twcnet.edu or 423.252.1114.

RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT

Western Sizzlin' Steak House-1804 Decatur Pike (745-2626)
 Friday and Saturday (All Day): 14 oz. Thick Cut RIBEYE STEAK with Choice of Side, Bakery, & Dessert Bars, \$14.95.
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Tosceno Pizza & Italian Grill, Ingles Shopping Center, Athens 746-9900. LUNCH SPECIAL: 11am-2:30pm - Pick up or dine-in only! Large 14" (one) topping pizza, only \$5.99.

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WEATHER

Friday - Mostly Sunny. High-mid to upper 40's.
Friday night - Mostly clear. Low-in the mid 20's.
Saturday - Partly cloudy. 30% rain. High-mid to upper 40's.
See our Zoom Radar at:
www.wyxi.com

Friday-January 04, 2012

Athens, Tennessee

Masters of Motown Coming Here

The Athens Area Council for the Arts continues its "Big Time/Small Town Season of Performances" on January 8th with Masters of Motown at the Athens City Middle School at 7:30 p.m. The music is a tribute to the male and female groups of the Motown era, such as The Temptations, Gladys Knight & the Pips, The Four Tops, The Supremes, The Jackson Five, and many more. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students. Adult advance tickets are \$18 each.



Church News and Events

- ~ The Trinity Trio will be singing at the Boyd Memorial Church of God on Sunday, Jan. 6th at 6 p.m. A fellowship supper will follow.
- ~ The Wauka Mountain Boys will be singing at 7pm tonight at Cooke Ministry Center; at the Nonaburg House of Prayer Saturday night at 7pm; at the Manilla Chapel Church Sunday at 11am; and the Decatur Church of God Sunday at 7pm.
- ~ Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University will start on Saturday, Jan. 5th at 10am at Greater Deliverance Ministries of Athens. The 9-week course teaches practical financial management. For information call 745-7575.

Who's New In Pink & Blue?


Lester Robert Dewayne Stockton is the first baby of the New Year in McMinn County. He was born at 6:50 p.m. on January 2nd at Athens Regional Medical Center. He weighed 6 pounds and one ounce and was 18¾ inches long. His parents are Christy and Dennis Stockton of Athens. (See photo of the new mother and baby below)

Luke Long was born December 30th at Athens Regional Medical Center. He weighed 7 pounds and 9 ounces and was 20¼ inches long. His parents are Kayla and John Long of Athens.

Mason Rylee Hyde was born December 28th at ARMC. He weighed 8 pounds and 5 ounces and was 18½ inches long. His parents are Heather and Joshua Hyde of Athens.

Thursday's Market Report

U.S. stocks and bonds closed lower Thursday after minutes from the Federal Reserve's latest policy meeting signaled a likely end to bond purchases by the central bank late in 2013. In economic news, payroll processing firm ADP reported that the U.S. added 215,000 private-sector jobs in December compared to estimates of 140,000. Separately, the Labor Department announced that initial jobless claims jumped last week to a five-week high. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 21.19 at 13,391.36, the Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 5.14 at 1,457.28, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 11.70 at 3,100.57. Volume on the New York Stock Exchange on Thursday was 661.70 million shares traded.



Art Classes BEGIN January 7th! Register now!

EVENING WITH THE STARS AUDITIONS ARE MONDAY, JAN 7th - 7 P.M. AT THE ARTS CENTER Come & show us your stuff!

AACA presents MASTERS OF MOTOWN Tue. Jan 8th - 7:30 p.m. Athens City Middle School (Tickets Still Available)

The Arts Center, 320 North White St. 745-8781
athensartscouncil.org



Christy & Lester Robert Dewayne Stockton....Photo by Chris Hari

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