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Monday-January 14, 2013

Athens, Tennessee

Local and State News


◆ HEAD-ON CRASH CLAIMS ETOWAH MAN

Michael D. Kirkpatrick, age 29, of Etowah, was killed Friday morning, when the 2003 Dodge Stratus he was driving towards Athens, crossed the double centerline and struck a 2010 Ford driven by 19-year-old Nathaniel J. Simbeck of Athens, head-on. The wreck happened just after 11 a.m. on State Highway 39 West, near Hammond Used Cars. Simbeck was injured and transported to Athens Regional Medical Center. State Trooper Kevin Hoppe's report stated that Kirkpatrick was not wearing safety restraints and that the restraints would have made a difference. Drugs and alcohol were not a factor in the wreck. The highway was closed about three hours.

◆ ENGLEWOOD WOMAN DIES FROM BURNS

An elderly Englewood woman has died from severe burns she received in a house fire last Wednesday. The fire broke out in a mobile home on Church Road just inside Monroe County. Hazel Dailey, 80, was able to get out of the home but not before being burned over much of her body. She died at the burn center at Vanderbilt.
 ✓ In the Upwards Basketball Game played Saturday at the Niota Gym, the Mavericks defeated the Heat, 34 to 24, in the 3rd and 4th Grade Division.

Chili Cook Off Supper ~ Tuesday, Jan. 15
6:30pm at E.K. Baker School
 Enter your chili recipe ~ Grand prize winner will receive a \$50 Gift Certificate. More Info. call or text 506-9491.



MORE STATE & LOCAL NEWS

◆ REP. FORGETY GETS COMMITTEE JOBS

State Rep. John Forgety of McMinn County will serve as Vice-Chairman of the House Education Committee. He will also serve on the House Ethics Committee and on the Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS


◆ Former Secretary of State Gen. Colin Powell defended current Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's handling of the attack on the U.S. Consulate in Benghazi, Libya, saying it could've happened under anyone's watch.

◆ Nearly a month after the massacre of 27 people in Newtown, Conn., lawmakers on Capitol Hill are dialing back expectations on what Congress can or should do on its own to curb gun violence.

◆ Top television executives were asked about onscreen violence contributing to real-life tragedies like the Connecticut school shooting. Most responded that "it isn't readily apparent."

◆ Former President George H.W. Bush, who has been hospitalized in Houston since November, may be released from the facility sometime today.

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Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The Athens-McMinn Family YMCA will have its Annual Meeting at 12 noon this Thursday, January 17th, in the YMCA gymnasium. Please RSVP by today at 745-4904.
- ✓ An important meeting of the Athens City Council's Communications Sub-Committee has been scheduled for this Thursday, Jan. 17th, at 9 a.m. in the Conference Room at City Hall. Please RSVP your attendance to the City Manager's office at 744-2702.
- ✓ The McMinn-Meigs Agriculture Roundtable will meet Thursday, Jan. 17th, at 6:30 a.m. at Shoney's in Athens. Guest speaker will be McMinn Property Assessor Jerry Anderson who will speak about the green belt. Breakfast is dutch treat. Info: 745-6301 x 101.

◆ NEW LAWS NOT SLOWING METH LABS

Methamphetamine production continues in small laboratories in Tennessee in spite of new laws regulating and tracking the sale of pharmacy products used to manufacture the illegal drug. That's one of the findings in a report just released by the state Comptroller's Office concerning attempts to control access to legal products sold at pharmacies which are later used to create meth. Pseudoephedrine is one of those products. The report says the relatively short history of control policies on the sale of products containing pseudoephedrine and the limitations of available crime and drug use data make it difficult to draw conclusions about the effectiveness of the laws aimed at controlling meth ingredients. The report also says according to 2010 figures, McMinn County had the highest number of meth labs in Tennessee--155. Monroe County was second with 137.

Obituaries

Calvin Ray Bright, age 64, of Riceville died this past Friday at Parkwest Medical Center. He was a well known carpenter, avid bird hunter and dog trainer. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Mount Harmony Baptist Church in Riceville. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mae Emma Cox Dickerson, age 77, of Athens died this past Friday. She was a graduate of J.L. Cook High School where she was the captain of the State Champion basketball team. She was a former employee of Beaunit Fibers in Etowah and Thomas & Betts of Athens. Funeral services will be Monday at 4 p.m. at M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home of Athens with visitation from 3 to 4 p.m. at the funeral home.

Robert D. Breedwell, age 70, of Riceville, died Saturday at Athens Regional Medical Center. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

Vivian Carol Walker Hodsdon, age 71, of Calhoun, died Sunday at Erlanger Medical Center. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Tuesday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Who's New in Pink & Blue?

Rachel Caroline Millsaps, was born on January 3, 2013 at Erlanger Medical Center in Chattanooga. She weighed 6 lbs. 1 oz. and was 18¼ inches in length. She is the first baby for her parents, Andrew and Jordan Millsaps of Athens.

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This Day In History, January 14

1741 - Benedict Arnold, the American Revolutionary War general and traitor, was born. Arnold was in command of West Point in 1780 and devised a scheme to surrender the fort to the British. The plan was exposed before it could take place. Arnold escaped to New York City, where he became a general in the British army.

1784 - The United States ratified a peace treaty with England, ending the Revolutionary War.

1914 - Henry Ford began the assembly-line method of building cars on this date. The first car to roll off the line was the famous "Model T" Ford.

1994- President Bill Clinton and Russian President Boris Yeltsin signed an accord to stop aiming missiles at any nation; the leaders joined Ukrainian President Leonid Kravchuk in signing an accord to dismantle the nuclear arsenal of Ukraine.

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