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Athens, Tennessee

Local and State News

◆ REMEMBERING MR. REAGAN'S VISIT

Where were you on Sept. 24, 1985? If you were living in McMinn County, chances are pretty good that you were standing in front of the McMinn County Courthouse. President Ronald Reagan came to town that day. He stood on the front porch of the Courthouse and addressed a crowd of thousands.



◆ THE KUDZU BUGS ARE HERE!

A new kind of pest is bugging the Athens area. Kudzu Bugs have made their way into our area. Their main source of food is kudzu. However, they can be a nuisance to homeowners because during the Fall the bugs will try to enter homes for the winter months. Also, if they are smashed on exposed skin, it could cause staining and a burning sensation. The bugs are olive-green with brown speckles.



NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ On Monday, President Obama called the attack in a Nairobi mall a "terrible outrage" and said the United States would provide law enforcement support to Kenya. Obama said the United States would work with Africa and nations around the world to dismantle networks that cause such violence.

◆ The accused Boston Marathon bomber will learn by late January whether he will die for his role in one of the largest attacks on U.S. soil since September 11, 2001. Federal prosecutors in Boston will pass their recommendation on to the Justice Department in Washington on whether to seek the death penalty. Attorney General Eric Holder will make the final decision.

◆ Somalia's President, Hassan Sheikh Mohamud, said the Islamic extremist group claiming responsibility for the weekend terrorist attack at a Kenyan mall presents a threat not just to the region, but to the world at large. Mohamud claims that the attack illustrates the global nature of al-Shabab and that Shabab is a threat to the continent of Africa, and the world at large.

◆ Lois Lerner the Internal Revenue Service official who was in charge during the agency's tea party scandal is retiring. The IRS acknowledged that their agents improperly targeted tea party groups for extra scrutiny when they applied for tax-exempt status from 2010 to 2012.

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WEATHER
Tuesday - Partly sunny. 30% rain & t'storms. High 79 to 80.
Tuesday night - Mostly cloudy. 60% rain & t'storms. Lows in the lower 60's.
Wednesday - Mostly cloudy. 60% rain & t'storms. High upper 70's.
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Air Evac Pilot Reaches Milestone

Mark Jessen, a pilot with the McMinn County Air Evac Lifeteam base, recently celebrated a major milestone in his career - his 1000th patient flight. Jessen joined Air Evac in 2004, and has flown for the McMinn County base since its opening. Jessen served his country for 24 years in the U.S. Coast Guard. (The photo shows Jessen, left, receiving his 1000th flight wings from flight nurse Jay Passmore)



NOTICE: The McMinn County Election Commission reminds you that today is National Voter Registration Day. There will be a voter registration drive from 9 a.m. to noon today at the McMinn Senior Center in Athens.

Who's New In Pink & Blue?

Landon Alexander Vernon Lethcoe was born September 17th at Athens Regional Medical Center. He weighed 8 pounds and 2 ounces and was 19¾ inches long. His parents are Lyndsey Ball and Chris Lethcoe of Niota.

Obituaries

Mrs. Lorene Strickland Gilliam, age 91, of Niota died Sunday afternoon. Funeral services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Smith Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

Lorene Byars, age 84, of Riceville died last Friday at Willow Acres. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks closed down as financial shares slumped and investors digested speeches from Federal Reserve officials looking for clues on monetary policies. Fed. Bank of New York President William Dudley, said the U.S. has yet to show any "meaningful pickup" in momentum, and the Fed should "forcefully" push against economic headwinds. Technology shares limited the decline as Apple shares surged after the company reported strong sales of its new iPhone. U.S. Treasury prices closed up. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 49.71 at 15,401.38. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 8.07 at 1,701.84, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 9.44 at 3,765.29.

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TODAY IN HISTORY-SEPTEMBER 24th

1896 - American novelist F. Scott Fitzgerald was born. His novels include "The Great Gatsby" and "Tender Is the Night."

1929 - Pioneer aviator James Doolittle demonstrated the first "blind" take-off and landing, using only instruments to guide his plane.

1936 - Jim Henson was born. He was the creator of such creatures as "Big Bird," "Kermit the Frog," and "Miss Piggy" from the TV show "Sesame Street."

1940 - Barbara Allbut, a member of The Angels singing group was born. Her sister, Phyllis Allbut, was born on this day in 1942. She was also a member of The Angels. Their biggest hit records were "My Boyfriend's Back" and "Till."

1985 - President Ronald Reagan paid a visit to Athens, speaking to a large crowd from the steps of the McMinn County Courthouse.

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