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February 5, 2014

Local & State News

◆ VETERANS EXPO CALLED A SUCCESS!

This past Saturday's Veterans Expo at the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum is being called a success. Athens Vice-Mayor Ann Davis says 275 veterans attended and learned about some of the services available for veterans in McMinn County. She says the Veterans Expo will become an annual event. Members of the McMinn Amateur Radio Club were among the groups who had exhibits at the Expo. (Photo by Bob Miller)



◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The next Boot Camp for New Dads will be held this Saturday from 9 to 11 a.m. at the UT Extension Office in Athens. To register, call 745-2852. The Boot Camp is free.
- ✓ Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority will be sponsoring a canned food drive at Walmart in Athens this Saturday from 10 a.m. until 12 noon. Items donated will go to Grace and Mercy Ministries.
- ✓ Spring soccer season is getting started for U8 boys, U9 boys, U11 boys, U9 girls, and U11 girls. If interested in playing, call 453-5691. The season starts now and ends in May.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

- ◆ A heavy winter storm blanketed Kansas with what forecasters say could be up to 10 inches of snow, and the deluge was expected to make a quick march eastward across the U.S. Midwest and into New England. The National Weather Service has warned of "extremely difficult travel conditions."
- ◆ Thirty plus senior sailors are being investigated by the Navy in connection with alleged cheating on written tests designed to qualify them as instructors at a school that trains younger sailors to operate naval nuclear power reactors.
- ◆ The owner of a private zoo in central Poland feels three times lucky with the birth of white lion triplets who are getting loving care from their mother. The white lion is a rare color mutation of the Kruger subspecies found in some wildlife reserves in South Africa. There are about 90 of them in existence.
- ◆ In 2004, a Harvard sophomore named Mark Zuckerberg created a website called thefacebook.com to let his classmates find their friends online. Now, facebook.com turned 10 on Tuesday.
- ◆ Angry over what they see as the Girl Scouts' support for abortion-rights advocates, anti-abortion groups are organizing a Girl Scout cookie boycott.
- ◆ Sixteen teenagers were rescued by law enforcement in a crack-down on child trafficking surrounding the Super Bowl last weekend. Their age ranges were from 13 to 17, and most of them were girls. Forty-five pimps and their associates were arrested in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut in the days leading up to the Super Bowl.

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WEATHER
Wednesday - Partly sunny.
20% rain. Highs in the upper
40's to lower 50's.
Wed. night - Mostly cloudy.
Colder. Lows in the mid 20's.
Thursday - Mostly cloudy.
Highs in the upper 30's to
lower 40's
See our Zoom Radar at:
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Wednesday-February 5, 2014

Athens, Tennessee

Etowah RFD 2013 Report

The Etowah Rescue Squad and Rural Fire Department has released its year end report for 2013.

- Total calls - 330
- Total man-hours - 2306
- First Responder calls - 162
- Structure fires - 23
- Motor Vehicle Accidents - 32
- Wildland fires - 22
- Mutual Aid to other departments - 19
- Fire/Smoke alarms - 17
- Stand by for other departments - 9
- Vehicle Fires - 3

November was the busiest month with 39 calls.

Major activities: Fatality fire on County Road 796
Propane fire on County Road 860
Passing of Deputy Chief Mike Frost

2013 Highlights: \$4,000 FM Global grant for tablets
\$2,300 State Forrestry grant
\$2,500 Etowah United Fund grant to assist
with purchase of fire-fighting equipment
Rescue of occupant on Highway 411 from
her smoke-filled house

Obituaries

Glen Toomey, age 82, of Etowah died Sunday at his residence. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Serenity Funeral Home.

Rosalee Morgan, age 69, of Athens died Tuesday at her home. Arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.

TENNESSEE NEWS HEADLINES

- Governor Haslam is proposing that the state provide free tuition for two years at a community or applied technology college.

- Four people from Kansas were killed when their plane crashed Monday night outside a YMCA in Nashville. The victims were on their way to attend the National Beef Cattlemen's Association Trade Show.

- Workers at the VW Plant in Chattanooga will vote on Feb. 12 - 14th on whether they want to be represented by the United Auto Workers Union.

Who's New In Pink & Blue?

Jeremiah Davaughn Cox was born January 28th at Starr Regional Medical Center. He weighed 5 pounds and 8 ounces and was 18 inches long. His parents are Leandra and Matthew Cox of Athens.

Today In History - February 5

1631 - British clergyman Roger Williams arrived in Salem, Massachusetts, seeking religious freedom. He founded the colony of Rhode Island.

1900 - American statesman Adlai E. Stevenson II was born. He served as U.S. ambassador to the United Nations from 1961 to 1965. He was the Democratic nominee for President in 1952 and 1956, losing both times to Dwight D. Eisenhower.

1934 - Baseball home-run king Hank Aaron was born in Mobile, Alabama. He spent his entire major league career playing outfield for the Braves—first in Milwaukee and later in Atlanta. He broke Babe Ruth's lifetime record of 714 home runs when he hit his 715th homer on April 8, 1974, at Atlanta Stadium.

1937 - President Franklin D. Roosevelt proposed increasing the number of Supreme Court justices. Critics charged that he was attempting to "pack" the court. The proposal was defeated.



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