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Wednesday, February 26, 2014

Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

◆ MONROE COUNTY TEEN DIES IN CRASH

A Monroe County teenager was killed in a one-vehicle wreck on Highway 307 in the Mount Harmony community of McMinn County early Tuesday morning. Troopers say Katresa D. Rose, 17, of Madisonville was driving a Honda Civic which left the roadway and struck a culvert, going airborne for about sixty feet. The car then flipped three or four times and struck a tree. Miss Rose was ejected approximately 300 feet from the vehicle and was dead at the scene. Trooper John Irwin investigated and said in his report that alcohol may have been a contributing factor. His report also says safety restraints could have made a difference. The accident happened in the 500 block of Highway 307 at 5:40 a.m.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ Graduation exercises will be held on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Tennessee College of Applied Technology-Athens for 22 individuals who have completed the first McMinn County Ready to Work class.
- ✓ The Medic Regional Blood Center will hold a blood drive Thursday from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. inside the Student Center at TWC.
- ✓ The McMinn Indoor (Indoor Percussion group of the MCHS Band) will host a show including pizza and drink this Saturday at 5 p.m. at the McMinn High School gym. Admission is \$5. The proceeds will help the group attend the WGI Regional Championship in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ Federal transportation officials fined Asiana Airlines \$500,000 for failing to promptly contact passengers' families and keep them informed about their loved ones after a deadly crash last year at San Francisco International airport. It's the first penalty of its kind. It took the South Korean airline five days to contact the families of all 291 passengers.

◆ A Northern California couple out walking their dog on their property stumbled across \$10 million in rare, mint-condition gold coins buried in the shadow of an old tree. Nearly all of the coins, dating from 1847 to 1894, are in uncirculated, mint condition. The face value of the gold pieces only adds up to about \$27,000, but because some of the coins are so rare, coin experts say they could fetch nearly \$1 million apiece.

◆ According to Guinness World Records, a Pacific Oyster found off the coast of Denmark has officially been named the world's largest. It measures 13.97 inches in length and 4 inches in width, around an 11 shoe size.

COUNTING IT DOWN!

As of today, there are just 22 days left until the start of Spring. Spring begins on March 20th.



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WEATHER

Wednesday - Partly sunny. 20% light snow early A.M. High - mid to upper 30's.

Wednesday night - Clear. Lows around 20.

Thursday - Sunny. Highs in the mid to upper 40's.

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Wednesday-February 26, 2014

Athens, Tennessee

Genesis Baptist Gets New Home

Genesis Baptist Church of Athens will soon be moving into its new home. Renovation is currently underway to convert the old American Cinema movie theater on Elizabeth Street next to the East Side Shopping Center at South White Street, into a church building. Pastor Pete Mullins says the sloping floors have been leveled and the sanctuary will be on one side of the twin theaters, with classrooms on the other side. The movie screens have already been removed. The projection booth will be used for storage. The nursery, the pastor's study, and another classroom will be in the lobby area. Pastor Mullins says the sanctuary will seat 175-200 people. The target date for being in the new facility is June 1st.



Obituaries

Grady Blaine Ratledge, Sr., age 74, of Englewood died Monday at UT Medical Center. He had worked as a small engine repair mechanic. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Thursday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m.

Update on Etowah Rescue Squad Activity

Brandon Frost became chief of the Etowah Rescue Squad & Rural Fire Department in 2006. Here is a list of runs made by the squad in the past seven years:

Medical Responses - 1566

Mutual Aid Calls - 551

Brush and Wildland Fires - 213

Structure Fires - 144

Vehicle Fires - 40

There were two civilian deaths and three civilian injuries due to fires. Four firefighters were injured. Total property damage was \$6,529.00. The average response time was six minutes.

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TODAY IN HISTORY - FEBRUARY 26th

1919 - President Woodrow Wilson signed a measure establishing Grand Canyon National Park in Arizona.

1929 - President Calvin Coolidge signed a measure establishing Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming.

1940 - The United States Air Defense Command was created.

1942 - "How Green Was My Valley" won the Academy Award for Best Picture of 1941, beating out nine other films, including "The Maltese Falcon" and "Citizen Kane".

1952 - Prime Minister Winston Churchill announced that Britain had developed its own atomic bomb.

1970 - National Public Radio was incorporated.

1991 - Iraqi President Saddam Hussein announced on Baghdad Radio that he had ordered his forces to withdraw from Kuwait.

1993 - A bomb built by Islamic extremists exploded in the parking garage of New York's World Trade Center, killing six people and injuring more than 1,000 others.

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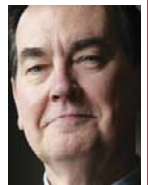
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