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Thursday, July 24, 2014

## State & Local News

### ◆ IT'S TIME TO "STUFF THE BUS"

It's almost back to school time and that means it is also time for the United Way's annual Stuff the Bus School Supply Drive. United Way will be collecting items from August 1-3rd at Wal-Mart, K-Mart, and Staples. Items needed include crayons, No. 2 pencils, scissors, hand sanitizer, spiral notebooks, rulers, and backpacks.

### ◆ NEW STARR REGIONAL CEO WELCOMED

A reception was held at Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens Tuesday afternoon to welcome new CEO Mark Nichols to town. Nichols has been on the job for about three weeks. Shown in the photo, L-R, are Paul Willson, Nichols, and Senator Mike Bell.



## National & International News

◆ The Afghan police officer charged with killing Associated Press photographer Anja Niedringhaus and wounding veteran AP correspondent Kathy Gannon has been convicted and sentenced to death according to a Kabul court announcement. The verdict and sentence are subject to several stages of review.

◆ Haris Suleman, the teenage pilot from Indiana, who was flying around the world with his father on a single engine plane, was killed when their plane crashed on Wednesday. Their plane took off from American Samoa before it crashed 23 miles from shore. Babar Suleman, the boy's father, is still missing at sea.

◆ Undercover investigators using phony ID's were able to secure taxpayer-subsidized health insurance under President Obama's health care law. A nonpartisan Government Accountability Office told a House committee that its investigators were able to get subsidized health care under phony names in 11 out of 18 attempts, even after the system flagged some applications as problematic.

◆ At a small airport in Taiwan, a plane crashed while attempting to land in stormy weather killing at least 47 people. There were 54 passengers and four flight crew on board. The plane crashed during a second landing attempt on the typhoon-battered island of Penghu.

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**Restaurant Inspection Scores**

The following Athens restaurants were inspected between July 10th and July 22nd. A score of 70 or higher is passing.

**KFC of Athens - 99**

**The Bull Pen, 723 County Road 255 - 99**

**Polar Freeze Frozen Yogurt, 2027 South Congress Parkway - 99**

**Taco Bell - 94**

These other restaurants in McMinn County were inspected between July 10th and 16th:

**Subway, Englewood - 98**

**Reagan Station Snack Bar, Highway 11 - 96**

**EARLY VOTING FIGURES RELEASED**

Tennessee's Secretary of State says that early voting figures for the first four days are somewhat lower compared to 2010, which was the last non-presidential election year. In McMinn County, 1,288 have voted; down 527 from 1,815 in 2010. In Meigs County, 524 have voted; down 30 from 554 in 2010. In Monroe County, 2,027 have voted; up 337 from 1,690 in 2010.

**Obituaries**

• **Freddie Roy Malone**, age 62, of Niota died Tuesday at his home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.

• **J. C. Combs**, age 60 of Riceville died Wednesday at Starr Regional. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.

**Wednesday's Market Report:** The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 26.91 at 17,086.63. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 3.48 at 1,987.01, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 17.68 at 4,473.70.

◆ **MORE SOAP BOX DERBY SCENES**



The champs from Athens have been busy in Akron, Ohio, getting their cars ready for Saturday's races.

In the photos, Ashleigh Turner and her dad, David, are making adjustments on her car...and Hannah Evans is weighing her car.



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