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Friday, June 12, 2015

Athens, Tennessee

State and Local News

◆ "SNAKES ALIVE" at E.G. FISHER LIBRARY

E.G. Fisher Public Library held a pre-registration party for its Summer Reading Program Wednesday night. Ranger Angelo and his crew brought snakes and owls, and he placed them on the shoulders of willing children. About 125 attended the event. The photo shows a young lady letting a snake held by Ranger Angelo crawl on her head and shoulder. (Photo by Brianna Hanson)



NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ The manhunt for two inmates who escaped from an upstate New York prison intensified after bloodhounds picked up a strong scent in Dannemora, New York. There has been no confirmed physical sighting of either man, and the search continues.

◆ The massive hack into federal computer systems is far deeper and potentially more problematic than acknowledged. The hackers are believed to be from China and have been moving through government databases undetected for more than a year.

COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

✓ Downtown Summer Nights continues on the stage across from the Meigs County Courthouse Saturday at 7 p.m. The concert features music by the Clark Girls and Heartstrings. Admission is free.

✓ The McMinn County Commission's Recreation Committee will meet next Monday, June 15, at 6:30 p.m. in the Blue Room of the Courthouse to discuss the Cook Park plans.

✓ The Arts Center of Athens is offering a variety of arts classes for youth this summer. A workshop titled "Costuming and Cosplay" with Amanda Haun will be held next Wednesday, June 17. The workshop is for ages 12 to adults. Participants are invited to bring costumes in progress to work on final details of the costume for the upcoming Athena Con on Saturday, June 20, at E.G. Fisher Library. For information, call 745-8781.

✓ The Summer Reading Program at E.G. Fisher Library at 10:30 a.m. this coming Monday will feature the McMinn County Sheriff's Department with a presentation of K-9 heroes.



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WEEKEND WEATHER FORECAST

Friday - Partly sunny. 40% rain & t'storms. High-mid 80's.
Friday night - Mostly Cloudy. 30% rain. Lows upper 60's.
Saturday - Partly sunny. 30% rain & t'storms. High-mid 80's.
Sunday - Mostly sunny. 20% rain & t'storms. High-lower 90's.
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Thursday, June 12, 2015

Athens, Tennessee

Church News and Events

- Genesis Baptist Church will have Vacation Bible School this Sunday, June 14 through Thursday, June 18 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. There will be classes for all age groups. The church is located at 111 Elizabeth Street in Athens.
- Mt. Harmony Baptist Church in Niota will observe Homecoming this Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will follow the service.
- Wellspring Mennonite Church will have Vacation Bible School at Cook Park in Athens June 15-20 at 6 p.m. each evening. Children ages 6 through 14 are invited to come and enjoy a time of learning more about Jesus, Bible stories, songs, and more. For information, call 333-5234.
- St. Mark AME Zion Church will celebrate Children and Youth Day this Sunday at 11 a.m. The guest speaker is Brother Calvin Smith.
- Starr Bethel Baptist Church will celebrate Men's Day on June 14 at 11 a.m. The guest speaker will be Rev. William H. Ryan, III. The public is invited to attend.
- The 2nd Annual Sisters of Standards conference hosted by Lady Cynthia Hardaway will be held on Saturday, June 20, at 5:30 p.m. at the Cleveland Country Club. Tickets are \$25. For more information, call 423-368-7019.
- Triumphant will be singing at Pope Avenue Baptist Church in Athens on June 25 at 7 p.m.

Obituaries

- **Albert "Doby" Hyde, Jr.**, age 79, of Athens died Thursday at his home. He was a former employee of Athens Plow Company and was a deputy under McMinn County Sheriff D.T. Nation. He later worked with Curtis Foster in the McMinn County Property Assessor's office. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- **Flavis J. Lee Casson, Jr.**, age 75, of Georgetown died Tuesday. He was a graduate of Tennessee Wesleyan College. He served in the Tennessee Army National Guard for six years. He worked at several family-owned restaurants. In 1981, he and his wife, Nancy Painter Casson, started Casson Art, which provided design services and decorative art nationally. A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Friday at Broad Street United Methodist Church in Cleveland, with visitation from 1 to 3 p.m. at the church. Companion Funeral Home of Cleveland is in charge of arrangements.
- **Jack Blevins**, age 83, of Etowah died Wednesday at his residence. Funeral arrangements will be announced later by Bordwine Funeral Home.
- **Lena Rose Dennis**, age 69, of Decatur died Wednesday at Parkridge Medical Center. She had been employed with Wade's Cash Store, Greene's Food Store, and Shaw Industries. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Friday at Bowers Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 8 p.m.
- **Jim Ed Brown**, age 81, died Thursday at Williamson Medical Center in Franklin, Tennessee after battling cancer. He was a star of the Grand Ole Opry for more than 50 years and was a newly elected member of the Country Music Hall of Fame.

TODAY IN HISTORY-June 12
1924 - Former President George H.W. Bush was born.
1928 - Singer Vic Damone was born. His hit records include "On The Street Where You Live" and "An Affair To Remember."
1929 - Anne Frank was born in Germany. She became famous for writing a diary while hiding from the Nazis in occupied Holland. The diary was published in 1947 and was later made into a play and a movie. She and her Jewish-German family hid in the top floor of an Amsterdam office building in 1942 until they were betrayed and captured. She died in a concentration camp.

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