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Thursday, May 26, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

◆ TRUCK WRECK ON HIGHWAY 39

A Ford F-150 pickup truck overturned Tuesday evening on Highway 39 East at County Road 464. The driver was transported by AMR ambulance. No word on his identity or condition. The Englewood Rural Fire Department, Etowah Rescue Squad, McMinn County Sheriff's Department, and the Tennessee Highway Patrol responded (Photo by Lynn Ingram; Englewood Rural Fire Dept.)



NATIONAL & STATE NEWS

◆ Tennessee's Attorney General, Herbert Slatery, has joined ten other states in filing a lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of Justice after President Obama had them issue a "Dear Colleague Letter" threatening schools with federal funding cuts, if they don't comply with the redefined term of "sex" as it pertains to using restrooms, locker rooms and other facilities that would not accommodate transgender students.

◆ State Senator Mike Bell of Riceville said that he supports Attorney General Slatery's lawsuit against the Obama Administration. Bell was the sponsor of Senate Bill 2387 in the Tennessee legislature earlier this year, that would have required students in public schools to use restrooms and locker rooms that are assigned to persons of the same sex as that shown on the students' birth certificate.

◆ The notorious Romanian hacker, Marcel Lehel Lazar, known as Guccifer, has pleaded guilty in federal court to two hacking-related charges. Lazar, 44, allegedly hacked into emails and social media accounts and released the personal information of numerous high-profile victims including former Secretary of State Colin Powell and family members of former President George W. Bush.



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WEATHER

Thursday - Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid to upper 80's.

Thurs. Night - Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 60's.

Friday - Partly sunny. 20% rain & t'storms. Highs in the mid to upper 80's.

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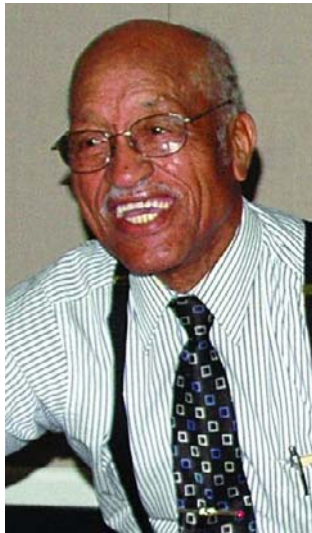
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Thursday, May 26, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

"BURKETT" TURNS 90!

One of Athens' best-known citizens, Burkett Witt, has reached a milestone. He celebrates his 90th birthday today. Burkett was born and raised in Athens. He ran the "Slop Shop" at Tennessee Wesleyan College, and later operated restaurants in Athens. He was famous for his barbecue. He was elected to the Athens City Council in 1971 and served for over 30 years. In 1983, he became the first black mayor in Tennessee. Burkett is also a "walking history book" of Athens and loves to tell stories about the city's past. The road leading to the Cracker Barrel Restaurant is named after him. He was awarded an honorary doctorate from Tennessee Wesleyan. All of Burkett's friends are invited to attend a 90th birthday celebration to be held on Saturday, June 4th, from 2 to 6 p.m. at the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum at 552 W. Madison Avenue. If you plan to attend, you should call Gwen McCowan at 423-745-0185.



Obituaries

- **Dorothy Jane Plaster Wilson**, age 73, of Athens, died Tuesday at Parkwest Medical Center. She was retired from Midland Ross (Thomas & Betts) and was the wife of former McMinn County Fire Chief David Wilson. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday.
- **Herbert Eugene Martin**, age 90, of Athens died last Saturday at his home. He retired from Heil Corp. as a welder after 10 years of service. He served as the music director at Eastanallee Baptist Church for 16 years. He was a World War II veteran, where he served as a heavy machine gunner in the U.S. 3rd Army under General George S. Patton. In late 1944, he was hospitalized for severe frost bite during the Battle of the bulge. He was picked up by an ambulance driver, who turned out to be none other than his brother, Harry Martin. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The McMinn County School Board will hold an Executive Committee meeting this Friday, May 27th, at 10 a.m. The meeting will be held at the McMinn County Center for Educational Excellence, #3 South Hill Street, in Athens.
- ✓ The Athens Municipal Building, Public Works, Recycle Center, and Animal Shelter will be closed Monday for Memorial Day. Residential garbage pickup for next Monday will be postponed until Tuesday. All other routes will be on the regular schedule.

SPAGHETTI DINNER
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3-6:30 p.m.
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TODAY IN HISTORY - MAY 26th

- 1521** - Martin Luther was declared an outlaw and his writings were banned by the Edict of Worms.
- 1805** - Napoleon Bonaparte was crowned king of Italy.
- 1868** - The impeachment trial of President Andrew Johnson ended with his acquittal as the Senate fell one vote short of the two-thirds majority required for conviction.
- 1896** - The Dow Jones Industrial Average was first published. The average price of the 11 initial stocks was 40.94
- 1907** - Actor John Wayne was born in Iowa. He was nicknamed "The Duke" and was best-known for his western roles.
- 1920** - Singer Peggy Lee ("Fever") was born.
- 1949** - Country singer Hank Williams, Jr., was born.
- 1969** - Apollo 10 returned to Earth after a mission that served as a dress rehearsal for the first moon landing.
- 1972** - President Richard M. Nixon and Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev signed the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty in Moscow.