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Wednesday, May 3, 2017

Athens, Tennessee

State & Local News

♦ MEIGS MAN DIES IN MOTORCYCLE CRASH

A 63-year-old Decatur man, Bobby D. Moses, was killed early Tuesday morning in a collision between his motorcycle and a car on Highway 30 just west of Athens. State Trooper Kyle Milsaps says Moses was traveling westbound on Highway 30 in the eastbound left hand lane. His motorcycle was struck head-on by a car traveling eastbound on Highway 30, also in the left hand lane. The motorcycle went into the median, where Moses was struck by the car. Moses was pronounced dead at the scene. The driver of the car was transported from the scene with minor injuries. She was identified as Constance Elaine Talbott Cooper, 70, of Sumter, South Carolina. Trooper Milsaps says the crash happened around 3 a.m. Tuesday.

♦ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Athens Area Ministerial Association will observe the National Day of Prayer tomorrow, May 4th, at 12:05 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Park in Downtown Athens. Various community leaders will pray. The public is invited to attend.
- ✓ The McMinn Senior Activity Center will have open auditions for **Steel Magnolias** tomorrow, May 4th, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Senior Center. The all-female cast calls for six women in the age range from the 20's to the 60's.

NOTE: Beginning tomorrow, Tell Street from Howard to Clark Street will be one-way only heading southwest.

National & World News

- ◆ Two passengers got into a fist fight ahead of takeoff on a Los Angeles-bound All Nippon Airways flight Monday, prompting authorities to remove one of the men involved.
- ◆ Two Republican senators, Bob Corker, R-Tennessee, and John McCain, R-Arizona, criticize Trump's overtures to controversial leaders, i.e. Trump's recent phone call with Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, the invitation to Filipino President Rodrigo Duterte to visit the White House, and the president's response Monday that he would be "honored" to meet with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un.
- ◆ Former North Charleston, South Carolina, police officer Michael Slager, pleaded guilty on Tuesday to using excessive force in the shooting death of unarmed black man Walter Scott, bringing a conclusion to the case after two years.
- ♦ Rep. Fred Upton, R-Michigan announced opposition to the GOP health care bill Tuesday, citing concerns about pre-existing conditions. The new amendment to the GOP health care bill would keep pre-existing conditions protections in place, but would allow states to seek waivers for an Obamacare mandate that prevents insurers from charging consumers with pre-existing conditions more for health insurance.
- ♦ More than 2,500 pets found "forever" homes in Michigan last week. It was the most successful "empty the shelters" event in the state's history.



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WEATHER FORECAST

Wednesday - Sunny. High 79.

Thursday - 100% rain. Windy.

Possible t'storms. High.68.

Friday - 80% rain. High 83.

Saturday - Cloudy. High 63.

More Weather at: wyxi.com

RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT ATHENS VFW HAMBURGER THURSDAY

5-7 PM Hamburger & Fries \$5. No membership necessary. Open to public. Family oriented dining room. 706 N. Congress Pkwy.



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

Western Sizzlin' Steak House-1804 Decatur Pike Wednesday (11a-4p) Petite Sirloin + Side - Bakery -

Dessert Bar & Rolls, \$6.69. **Steak of the Week:** 10 oz NY Strip+side+bakery+dessert \$12.99 M-Thu **745-2626**



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Meet a Busy Woman!

Mary Brown has been one of the busiest women in Athens since December, and does not even get paid for her work. She volunteered to head up the tornado disaster relief center. She is also a major force behind this Saturday's MooRun, MooFest, and Wetlands Festival next to E.G. Fisher Public Library. She is also heading up the Remote Area Medical Clinic to be held in Athens this July. The MooRun takes place Saturday at 7:30 a.m. The MooFest and Wetlands Festival will go from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The photo below shows Mary being interviewed on Tuesday's Chamber Chat radio show on WYXI, AM 1390 - FM 94.5 and wyxi.com.



Obituaries

- **George Curtis Womac,** age 70, of Riceville, died Monday at his residence. He was a former employee of Starkey Printing Co. in Chattanooga. There will be no formal service or visitation. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- **Brian Lauvale Benton,** age 56, of Etowah, died Sunday at his home. A celebration of life and homegoing will be held at 5 p.m. Friday at Star Bethel Baptist Church, with visitation from 3 to 5 p.m. at the church. Serenity Funeral Home is in charge.
- Samuel E. Firestone, age 70, of Delano, died Tuesday at his home. He was employed by Olin Corporation for over 30 years. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- **Bobby "Bean" Dean Moses,** age 62, of Decatur, died Tuesday in a motorcycle accident. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.

TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 36.43 at 20,949.89. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 2.84 at 2,391.17, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 3.76 at 6,095.37.

◆ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The Friends of Etowah Carnegie Library will have their annual Used Book Sale this Thursday through Sunday at the Etowah Community Center, 155 Robinson Street. The hours Thursday are 5 to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 8 to 6, and Sunday 2 to 6.



