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Local & State News

IN GOD WE TRUST TAGS" NOW ON SALE

As of July 1st, you can now get a Tennessee license plate that says "In God We Trust." A photo of the new tag is shown below. McMinn County Clerk Evonne Hayes says they have the "In God We Trust" plates for sale. The cost includes a one-time state fee of \$2. Also, you need to be aware that as of July 1st, the cost of regular tags increased \$5.



LEGIONNAIRE'S OUTBREAK AT GRACELAND The Shelby County Health Department has confirmed that five people who recently stayed at the Graceland Hotel in Memphis have contracted the potentially deadly Legionnaire's bacteria. Anyone who stayed at the hotel between May 15 and June 26 should be tested for the disease if they have pneumonia-like symptoms

National & World News

◆ The Prime Minister of Iraq has declared victory in Mosul over ISIS, roughly three years after the group took control over the city and 10 months after his country launched an operation to retake the area.

♦ Of the 20 world leaders that met in Germany last week for the G-20 Summit, the United States was the only country that didn't agree on climate change, following President Trump's withdrawal from the Paris climate accord earlier this year.

◆ Japan's Prime Minister Shinzo Abe praised Donald Trump on Saturday after a meeting the president organized with Asian allies at the G-20 Summit. He also noted the severity of the threat North Korea poses on the global stage.

◆ At least 196 police officers were injured in protests in the streets of Hamburg, Germany, where the G-20 summit was held.

◆ Secretary of State Rex Tillerson announced at an off-camera briefing at the G-20 meeting that the U.S. and Russia, along with the Kingdom of Jordan, have agreed to a ceasefire in southwest Syria. The ceasefire began Sunday, July 9, at noon Damascus time.

◆ A suspect is dead and all hostages have escaped without injury after a standoff at a Wells Fargo bank in Marietta, Georgia, near Atlanta. The hostages escaped the bank on their own. The suspect died after three hours of negotiation. A member of the tactical team may have killed him, according to police.





Big Crowd at RAM Clinic

Organizer Mary Brown with the Athens Lions Club tells the MORNING FAX that at least 843 people were given free dental, vision, and medical care over the weekend at McMinn County High School from the Remote Area Medical Clinic or "RAM." Brown says that another RAM Clinic may be held here in Athens next year. RAM was started in 1985 when the founder, Stan Brock, suffered an injury while living among the Wapishana Indians in Guyana, South America. It took Brock 26 days to reach a medical facility. The McMinn event was the 869th clinic. You



"Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom" which was broadcast from 1963 to 1988. In the above photo, Stan Brock is on the left and the CEO of RAM, Jeff Eastman, is on the right. The photo below shows a few of the patients receiving care on the gym floor at McMinn County High School. (Photos by John Proffitt)





Obituaries

• Jane McConkey Kimsey, age 68, of Athens, died Saturday at Etowah Health Care Center. A Celebration of Jane's life will be held by the family at a later date. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

• Jerry W. Webb, age 78, of Athens, died Saturday at Fort Sanders Medical Center. He was in automotive sales for over 40 years and served in the National Guard. A funeral service will be Monday at 7 p.m. at Eastanallee Baptist Church with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. at the church. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

• Roger Clark Rayburn, age 67, of Englewood, died Friday at his residence. A Memorial Graveside Service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Conasauga Cemetery. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

◆ LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP AWARDED

The Optimist Club of Athens recently presented a Lifetime Membership Award to Richard Newman of Athens. Newman has been an active member of the Optimist Club for many years. In the photo is Newman (on the left) receiving the award from Athens Club President Alex Mora. (Photo by Elaine Newman)



TODAY IN HISTORY - JULY 10

1890 - Wyoming was admitted into the Union as the 44th state. **1907** - The famous Grandview Hotel in Athens, Tennessee was struck by lightning and burned. The hotel was nicknamed the "Red Elephant." It was located near North Jackson Street and Woodward Avenue.

1925 - The John T. Scopes "Monkey Trial" opened in Dayton, Tennessee. Scopes was a teacher who was charged with teaching evolution. He was defended by lawyer Clarence Darrow. Williams Jennings Bryan was a witness for the prosecution. Scopes was found guilty and fined \$100.

1930 - France beat Mexico 4-1 in the first match of soccer's inaugural World Cup tournament in Montevideo, Uruguay.

1933 - Jerry Herman, composer of "Hello Dolly," was born. **1947** - Singer Arlo Guthrie was born.

1960 - John F. Kennedy won the Democratic presidential nomination at the party's convention in Los Angeles.

1991 – After 1,000 years, the Russian people were finally permitted to elect a president. Boris Yeltsin took the oath of office this day, after he had resoundingly defeated the Communist Party candidate.