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Tuesday, June 10, 2014

Athens, Tennessee

Local and State News

◆ LOTS OF FOLKS ARE PACKIN' HEAT!

The number of gun permits issued in Tennessee nearly doubled last year. The Tennessee Department of Safety issued 192,613 handgun carry permits last year. Nearly 59,000 went to women and almost 115,000 to men. In McMinn County, 101 handgun carry permits were issued last year. In Meigs County, 27 permits were issued. In Monroe County, the number was 88. As of May 31st, 5,004 people in McMinn County have handgun carry permits. In Meigs County, 1,154 people have permits. In Monroe County, 4,088 people have handgun permits.

◆ REP. FORGETY NAMED TO TASK FORCE

The state of Tennessee is taking steps to reduce the time it takes for veterans to get the health care they need. House Speaker Beth Harwell has appointed State Speaker Pro Tempore Curtis Johnson to chair a new legislative task force on veterans affairs. One of the members of the task force will be state Rep. John Forgety of Athens, himself a veteran. A recent investigation by USA Today found that the average wait time a veteran faces for a doctor in Nashville is 65 days, the highest in the nation.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ If you own a Kindle eBook Reader, you're invited to attend a class at the Niota Public Library this Thursday, June 12th, at 1 p.m.. The class will teach you how to use the Tennessee R.E.A.D.S. web site to download free books onto your Kindle. Call 568-2613.
- ✓ Medic Regional Blood Center will have a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. today at the Athens Municipal Building.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ Investigators are looking into whether the husband and wife who shot and killed two Las Vegas police officers over the weekend had been at Cliven Bundy's Nevada ranch during a standoff earlier this year. The two suspects, Jerad Miller and his wife, Amanda, had ideology that was along the lines of "militia and white supremacists" and that law enforcement was the "oppressor." It is believed that the shootings were an isolated act. Officers are still looking for a motive.

◆ According to the Veterans Affairs Department, more than 57,000 patients are still waiting for initial medical appointments at VA hospitals and clinics 90 days or more after requesting them. An additional 64,000 who enrolled in the VA health care system over the past 10 years have never had appointments.

◆ In an exclusive interview with ABC's Diane Sawyer, Hillary Clinton defends the millions of dollars she and her husband, former President Bill Clinton, earned giving paid speeches since leaving public office. Clinton claims she and the former president came out of the White House not only dead broke, but in debt due to the hefty legal fees incurred during their White House years.

◆ The Wal-Mart truck driver accused of triggering a crash in New Jersey that critically injured Tracy Morgan and killed another comedian had not slept for more than 24 hours, according to a criminal complaint. The driver failed to slow for traffic ahead and swerved at the last minute to avoid a crash when his big rig smashed into the back of Morgan's chauffeured Mercedes limo bus, killing comedian James "Jimmy Mack" McNair.

Dad's Love the Outdoors! 

     

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Michael's

Casual Dining of
 Athens & Etowah

TWO'S-DAY SPECIAL: Catfish for Two, \$12.95.
 (Tuesday 3p-Close) 925 Congress Parkway North,
 Athens Phone: 649-0000 and 862 Highway 411
 North, Etowah Phone: 263-2603



JUNE Specials >>> 5 Meals for just \$5 each

◆ 2 Chicken Biscuits \$5.00 ◆ 8 Piece Dinner Plus 4 Biscuits \$9.99 ◆ 32 oz tea 99¢ ◆ It's BO TIME!
BOJANGLES South Congress Parkway 744-5292

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TWC REMEMBERS VETS

Last Friday, June 6, was the 70th anniversary of the Allied Invasion in Normandy. Tennessee Wesleyan College remembered the day by looking back at the connection between the college and D-Day. One major connection was Leonard G. Lomell who graduated from TWC in 1941. He then joined the Army, volunteering for a Ranger unit. On D-day, his platoon was assigned to find and destroy five German coastal guns after landing in Normandy. Lomell was wounded, but continued fighting. The guns turned out to be decoys made of large poles. However, his platoon soon found the real guns hidden in an orchard and destroyed them. He was commissioned on the battlefield to the rank of 2nd Lieutenant. After the war he became a lawyer. He was featured in Tom Brokaw's book, *The Greatest Generation*. Lomell has been credited as the one person, other than General Dwight Eisenhower, who made the D-Day invasion successful. Lomell died in 2011.



Obituaries

- **Margaret Foust Boyd**, age 88, of Riceville died Monday at Life Care Center of Athens as a result of injuries she received several weeks ago in a traffic accident on Congress Parkway in Athens. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 12 noon to 2 p.m.
- **Georgia Josephine Duncan**, age 89, of Athens died Sunday at her home. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Wednesday at Biereley-Hale Chapel in Madisonville, with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m.
- **Willis Woodrow Rymer, Jr.**, age 58, of Athens died last Friday at SkyRidge Medical Center. He was a native of Polk County and was an Army veteran. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Green Hill Cemetery. Companion Funeral Home is in charge.
- **James R. Townsend**, age 78, of Charleston, died Monday at his home. Arrangements to be announced by Companion Funeral Home.
- **Robbie Eugene "Cotton" Moses**, age 39, of Englewood died Sunday at Starr Regional Medical Center. He was employed by Thomas Contracting, Inc. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in New Bethel Cemetery. Biereley-Hale Funeral Home of Madisonville is in charge.
- **Virginia Rea Conner**, age 71, of Athens died last Saturday. A celebration of her life will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah, with visitation from noon to 2 p.m.
- **Steven Lee Pickel**, 63, of Arkansas died last November 25th. He was a native of McMinn County. A celebration of life service will be held this Saturday at 6 p.m. at the home of his sister, Janette Mason, 195 County Road 361 in Niota.
- **Frances Mae Shelton Arnold**, 79, of Englewood died Sunday at Parkwest Medical Center. Private services will be held later. There will be no formal visitation. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.

WEATHER

Tuesday - Mostly cloudy. 60% rain & t'storms in A.M. Highs in the mid 80s.
Tuesday night - Mostly cloudy. 60% rain & t'storms. Lows in the upper 60s.
Wednesday - Mostly cloudy. 70% rain & t'storms likely. Highs in the lower 80s. More Weather & Zoom Radar at: www.wysi.com

WHEN RADIO WAS

Old-time Radio Shows
6:05-7 pm Nightly
WYXI AM-1390
Tonight:
My Favorite Husband & The Shadow (1949)

TODAY IN HISTORY - June 10th

- 1752** - Inventor and statesman Benjamin Franklin performed his famous kite-flying experiment during a thunderstorm. He proved that lightning is electricity when a lightning bolt hit his kite, traveled down the kite wire, and made a spark when it hit a key on the end of the wire.
- 1922** - Actress and singer Judy Garland was born. Her biggest success was in the movie "The Wizard of Oz."
- 1935** - Alcoholics Anonymous was organized in New York. The organization unites men and women to help each other deal with alcoholism problems.
- 1977** - James Earl Ray, assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., escaped from Brushy Mountain Prison. He was caught three days later.
- 1978** - *Affirmed* won horse racing's Triple Crown by taking the Belmont Stakes.
- 1991** - Jaycee Dugard, 11, of South Lake Tahoe, California, was abducted by Phillip and Nancy Garrido. Jaycee was held by the couple for 18 years before she was found by authorities.



Hear Mike Huckabee !!
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11:35a, & 5:15p
Saturdays at
12:30p & 5:10p

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