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Friday, May 22, 2015

Athens, Tennessee

### State and Local News

◆ **REMEMBER THE FALLEN ON MEMORIAL DAY**  
 Monday is Memorial Day. It's the first holiday weekend of the summer and is traditionally a time for picnics and cookouts. However, the purpose of Memorial Day is to remember the members of our armed forces who have given their lives to keep this nation free over the years. The holiday, which is observed every year on the last Monday of May, was formerly known as Decoration Day and originated after the American Civil War to commemorate the Union and Confederate soldiers who died in the war. Here in Athens, the annual Memorial Day ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at the VFW Post #5146 on North Congress Parkway. Lunch will be served immediately following the ceremony in the post dining hall. The Meigs Color and Honor Guard will have its annual Memorial Day service in front of the Courthouse in Decatur at 11 a.m. Monday. The Meigs County Historical Society will honor veterans with a reception from noon to 2 p.m. at the Meigs Museum.

◆ **ONE MORE GRADUATION CEREMONY**  
 The public schools in the area held their graduation ceremonies last weekend. Tonight, it will be Fairview Christian Academy's graduation. It will be at 7 p.m. in the Fairview Baptist Church auditorium.

**FISH FRY AMERICAN LEGION POST 68**  
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### NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ Douglas Hughes, the pilot who shocked the country when he landed his gyrocopter on the lawn of the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C., last month entered a not guilty plea to all six charges pending against him, including two felonies. He faces a possible nine and one half years in prison as punishment if convicted. Hughes could lose his gyrocopter and has been banned from operating any aircraft.

- ◆ **COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE**
- ✓ Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority is seeking volunteers to help revitalize the Westside School playground from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, May 30. The sorority also invites rising 9th-12th grade students in McMinn and Bradley counties and their parents to attend an informational meeting about its ASCEND program on Sunday, May 30, at 3 p.m. at the Cleveland Public Library.
  - ✓ The Tennessee Wesleyan College volleyball coaches and staff will host a 3-day summer volleyball camp on July 13-15 for ages 10-18. The cost is \$70. For information, call Ashley Harris at 746-5228.
  - ✓ McMinn County Highway Commissioner Dan Evans advises that paving on County Road 364, the Old Mt. Harmony Road, will take place next week. Traffic will be limited to one lane.

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## Church News and Events

- Christ Community Church will host its annual Cabin Fever Motorcycle ride tomorrow. The riders will meet and pray at 9 a.m. at the church on Congress Parkway. Kick stands will go up at 9:30 a.m.
- Mars Hill United Methodist Church on County Road 508 near Englewood will have its homecoming service this Sunday beginning at 10 a.m. Dinner will be served afterwards.
- Oak Grove MB Church will host a pancake breakfast fundraiser on Saturday, June 6th, from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The cost is a \$5 donation.
- Mark Bishop will be singing on Sunday, May 31st, at 6 p.m. at Pope Avenue Baptist Church in Athens.

### TWC GRADUATES 191

Tennessee Wesleyan College held its 158th commencement earlier this month. A total of 191 students graduated. The featured speaker was Bob Goodfriend, who was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Business Administration degree. He spoke to graduates about the importance of working hard and defining their own success. Student Government President Kristen Camp (in photo) also spoke. She reminded her fellow graduates of the importance of not letting fear control their lives.



## Obituaries

- **Zona Jeanne Carver Gregory**, age 79, of Tellico Plains, died Thursday at UT Medical Center. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Towee Cemetery in Polk County. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday at Ziegler Funeral Home.
- **Bettye Jo Green Duggan**, age 74, of Athens died Thursday at Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. She and her husband, Bill, formerly owned and operated Duggan's Cleaners. They later operated Designer Alterations in Cleveland for over 25 years prior to their retirement last week. There will be no formal visitation or service. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

**"SMOKY MOUNTAIN" AUTHOR SPEAKS IN ETOWAH**  
Dr. Lin Stepp, author of the popular "Smoky Mountain" novels, appeared recently at the Etowah Carnegie Library to sign copies of her latest book, "Makin' Miracles." Dr. Stepp is a native Tennessean and is married to J.L. Stepp, who grew up in Athens. Dr. Stepp is on the faculty at Tusculum College. She has published seven novels, all set in the Smoky Mountains.



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