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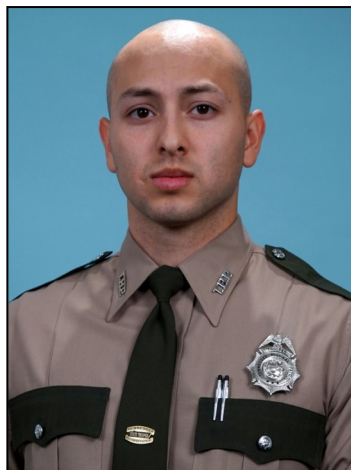
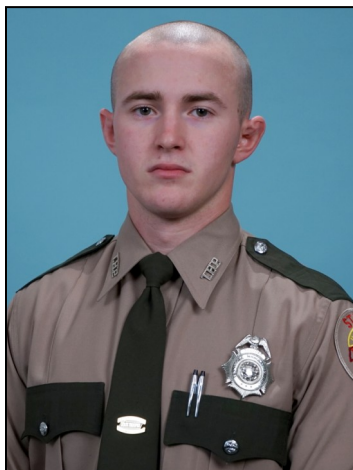
Tuesday, January 9, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

STATE & LOCAL NEWS

◆ MCMINN CO. TO GET TWO NEW TROOPERS

Fifty cadets have earned their badges officially becoming the newest members of the Tennessee Highway Patrol. The new troopers took their oaths of office after completing 19 weeks of intense physical and classroom training. Two of the new troopers have been assigned to McMinn County. They are Dakota Bromley and Eric Diaz, pictured below with Trooper Bromley on the left and Trooper Diaz on the right.



National & World News

◆ Officials have ordered about 7,000 people in mountainous areas who were affected by recent wildfires in Southern California to evacuate as an upcoming winter storm poses a threat for mudslides and flash floods. Another 23,000 people are under evacuation warnings.

◆ A manhunt is underway in Washington State after a sheriff's deputy was shot and killed while responding to a 911 call late-Sunday night. A suspect has been identified and is on the run.

◆ Harsh weather forced a "surge" of rescheduled flights that ultimately knocked out equipment at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York this past weekend. Several international jets and their passengers were stranded.

◆ Eleven Saudi princes were arrested by authorities after they held a protest over the government's decision to stop paying their electric and water bills.

◆ ICY ROADS KEEP POLICE BUSY

The freezing rain that fell in Southeast Tennessee Monday morning kept police and ambulance personnel busy for several hours responding to traffic accidents. McMinn County 911 dispatchers reported that between 7:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. there were 22 accidents without injuries and six accidents with injuries. At one point, Highway 163 (the Bowater Road) had to be closed due to slick conditions and several wrecks. There was a wreck with injuries on Highway 39 near the Better Living Center and a wreck with injuries on I-75 between mile markers 45 and 46.

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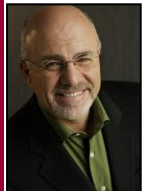
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WEATHER FORECAST
Tuesday - Patchy fog before 10 a.m. Mostly Cloudy. High near 52.
Wednesday - 20% rain. Cloudy. High near 62.
Thursday - 40% rain. Mostly cloudy. High near 63.
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Obituaries

♦ **Jeffrey Scott Mason**, age 51, of Athens, died Sunday at Parkridge West Hospital in Jasper. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy for 11 years serving in Operation Desert Storm and was the I.T. Manager at H. P. Pelzer. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 5-8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

♦ **Henry Vernon Burris**, age 81, of Calhoun, died Monday at Life Care Center of Cleveland. He worked at Resolute Forest and Bowater for 45 years and was a member of the Tennessee Polled Hereford Association and the American Polled Hereford Association. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Calhoun United Methodist Church with visitation from 5 - 8 p.m. Tuesday at the church. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **James Sherman**, age 94, of Athens, died Saturday at his home. Arrangements will be announced by M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home of Athens.

♦ **Ella Knox Dilbeck**, age 102, of Niota, died Sunday at NHC of Athens. She retired from Crescent Hosiery Mill after 50 years. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

♦ **Larry Elex Hughes**, age 66, of Ten Mile, died Sunday at Sweetwater Hospital. He worked for Shaw Industries for 15 years. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, with visitation from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at Ziegler Funeral Home.

♦ **Arnold Ray Shelton**, age 63, of Cleveland, died Sunday at Tennova Hospital in Cleveland. He was a native of Athens and longtime resident of Old Fort and Cleveland. He was a former employee of Con-Agra and Jackson's Manufacturing and most recently Shelton's Poultry. Graveside services will be at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday in Buttram Cemetery with visitation from 2-4 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home in Athens.

Driver Injured in CR 461 Crash

The driver of this 2012 Ford Focus was injured around 7 o'clock Sunday morning when he lost control of the car, went down an embankment, and hit a tree on County Road 461 near Englewood. The driver was removed by the Etowah and Englewood Rural Fire Departments and transported to Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens by AMR. THP Officer Travis Ryans investigated. The McMinn County Sheriff's Department assisted with the accident.

(Photo by Lynn Ingram with the Englewood Rural Fire Dept.)



Today In History ~ January 9th

1788 - Connecticut became the 5th state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

1793 - Jean-Pierre Blanchard made the first successful balloon flight in the United States. Blanchard's balloon, filled with hydrogen, took off from Philadelphia, PA, soared to 5,800 feet and eventually wound up some 15 miles away, in Woodbury, New Jersey.

1861 - Mississippi seceded from the Union.

1913 - Richard Nixon, the 37th President, was born. He was a Congressman and Senator from California, served as Vice-President under President Eisenhower, and was elected President in 1968 and re-elected in 1972. He resigned in 1974 while facing almost certain impeachment for his involvement in the Watergate scandal.

2001 - Apple Computer Inc. introduced its iTunes music management software.

2006 - "The Phantom of the Opera" became the longest-running Broadway show with 7,485 performances.

HELP for PARENTS

Providing helpful tips for studying and completing homework with your child.

Date: Thursday, January 11th
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Location: Athens City Middle School

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