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UNITED WAY UPDATE

The United Way of McMinn and Meigs Counties is getting closer and closer to its fund-raising goal. The goal is \$710,000. As of February 7th, the donations and pledges had reached \$701,000. The United Way's Annual Meeting will be held this Thursday, February 14th, at 12 noon at the McMinn Senior Activity Center. Anyone planning to attend is asked to RSVP by tomorrow, February 12th, by calling 745-9606. Campaign leaders are hoping to be able to announce at the meeting that the goal has been reached.



National and State News

- ◆ Both Democrat and Republican negotiators admit that the "goalposts keep moving" and the "numbers are all over the place" when it comes to funding the government. The deadline is looming for another government shutdown if the two parties can't reach an agreement by this Friday.
- ◆ A woman has been arrested after she plowed through the front glass doors of a Los Angeles police station with a baby in her car. After talking to an officer, she then tried to back out as cops clung to the vehicle. Police said she will likely face DUI charges.
- ◆ A bill filed in the Tennessee General Assembly last week would punish people that file more than three public records requests within one year. House Majority Leader William Lamberth says the bill is needed to give government agencies a way to prevent "harassment" and endless requests for public records.

DADDY-DAUGHTER DANCE A BIG SUCCESS

The Athens Parks and Recreation Department hosted the annual Daddy-Daughter Dance this past weekend. Four dances were held and all but one were sold-out. In the photo is Tatum and Nick Ward, who were one of the couples that attended. (Athens Parks and Recreation photo)



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Obituaries

- ♦ **Trudy (Gertrud) Eulberg Plemons**, age 94, of Athens, died Friday at her home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral and Cremation Services.
- ♦ **Lynn Carroll**, age 57, of Englewood, died Thursday, at Starr Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the service.
- ♦ **Curtistene Evelyn "Curt" Thompson Crabtree Medlin**, age 95, of Etowah, died Thursday. She was a loop/seamstress most of her life. Funeral services were held Sunday. Bordwine Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

FRIDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks finished the day mixed. In economic news, the 2018 annual number of worker stoppages hit a 10-year record, driven by teacher strikes. U.S. Treasury bond prices rose as yields fell. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 63 points or 0.3% to 25,106. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 2 points to 2,701, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 10 points or 0.1% to 7,298. In commodity markets, the spot price of gold rose \$3.97 to \$1,314.07, and the price of crude oil rose \$0.07 to \$52.71.

Ribbon Cutting at Southern Accent

A ribbon cutting was held recently at A Southern Accent Quilt Shop. Shown in the photo below are front row (L-R): Heather Smith, Karen Raby, diplomats; Angela Patterson, Cindy Lewis, Owner; Brenda Harmon, Laura Brown, Lauretta Brown (child), Josh Brown, Scarlett Brown (child), and Chris Anderson, diplomat. Second row (L-R): Grayson Black, diplomat, Pat Brown, Barbara Brown, Luke Shepherd, diplomat, Berkeley Wallace (child), Mike Lewis (holding Berkeley, and Erin Blakenship (behind Mike), diplomat.



TODAY IN HISTORY - FEBRUARY 11th

- 1847** - Inventor Thomas A. Edison was born in Ohio. He was probably the greatest inventor in history. He changed the lives of millions of people with such inventions as the electric light, the phonograph, the movie projector, and the carbon telephone transmitter.
- 1929** - The Vatican City became an independent state in Rome. It is the world's smallest "state," with just 108 acres and a population of about 800 people. It has its own stamps and coins. Its ruler is the Bishop of Rome, the Pope.
- 1935** - Singer Gene Vincent was born. His biggest hit record was "Be-Bop-A-Lula" in 1956. He was injured in the car wreck that killed singer Eddie Cochran. Vincent died of a bleeding ulcer in 1971 at the age of 36.
- 1945** - President Franklin D. Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Josef Stalin wrapped up a conference at Yalta in the Crimea by signing a series of agreements on the governance of post-World War II Europe.
- 1965** - U.S. and South Vietnamese planes staged the first bombing raids on North Vietnam in retaliation for Viet Cong attacks.
- 1975** - Margaret Thatcher became the first woman to head a major party in Britain when she was elected leader of the opposition Conservative Party.
- 1990** - South African black activist Nelson Mandela was freed after 27 years in captivity.
- 2008** - The Defense Department charged Khalid Sheikh Mohammed with murder and war crimes in connection with the September 11th terrorist attacks.
- 2012** - Singer Whitney Houston was found dead in a hotel room in Beverly Hills, Calif., at age 48. (Her death was later ruled an accidental drowning, with heart disease and cocaine use as contributing factors.)