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State & Local News

◆ JEEP SLIDES OFF ROAD AND HITS TREE

Robin Hicks of Reliance was seriously injured Wednesday morning when her vehicle ran off Bowater Road and struck a tree. Wayne Motes witnessed the accident. He blocked the road with his logging truck and pulled Ms. Hick's 4-year-old son from the wreckage. Ms. Hicks was trapped inside and had to be extricated by the Etowah Rescue Squad and Claxton Rural Fire Department. (Photo by Jay Thomson)



◆ ANOTHER "SHAKER" HITS AREA

The second small earthquake in the past four days has jiggled the area. A quake measuring 2.1 on the Richter Scale was recorded at 11:29 a.m. yesterday. It was centered 11 miles southeast of Etowah. Last Sunday morning, a 2.5 quake was recorded 8 miles north of Dayton.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

- ◆ The White House has released a detailed Hawaii birth certificate that shows President Obama was born to an American mother and a Kenyan father in Hawaii, making him eligible to hold the office of president. President Obama says he produced the certificate in an attempt to bury the issue of where he was born. He said, "We do not have time for this kind of silliness." Donald Trump is claiming credit for forcing the president to release the certificate.
- ◆ Nine Americans, including eight soldiers, were shot and killed by an Afghan air force pilot. He fired on the Americans after an argument in the operations room at Kabul airport. The pilot was also killed in the incident. His brother said he had been battling financial troubles and had no link to the Taliban or al-Qaida.
- ◆ President Obama will name CIA Director Leon Panetta to be the next Secretary of Defense and will move General David Petraeus into the CIA Director's job. Petraeus is currently running the war in Afghanistan.
- ◆ Fox News is pushing Mike Huckabee to hurry up and decide whether he's going to run for president again. The network has already suspended two likely candidates, Newt Gingrich and Rick Santorum. Now Fox officials are waiting on Huckabee and Sarah Palin to make up their minds.

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Athens, Tennessee

Storms Wreak Havoc In Area

One of the most intense storm systems to move through Southeast Tennessee struck our area yesterday afternoon and overnight. Countless trees and power lines were felled. Sheriff Joe Guy reported to the MORNING FAX that one tornado was confirmed touching-down on County Road 849 in the Carlock Community near Etowah just before dark on Wednesday. Another tornado was reported on the ground around 9:15 p.m. on County Road 652, just off County Road 750. A mobile home was reported blown from its foundation in that area. Another tornado was reported on the ground around 9:30 p.m. on County Road 660 near County Road 750; striking several homes. Several people were injured when they were trapped underneath debris. AUB reported a massive lightning strike at its main North Athens substation yesterday afternoon causing the breakers at their other substations that serve south Athens and Riceville to trip, knocking out power in that area for several hours. Chris Liner sent us the photo at the right. It was taken at the Comfort Inn of Athens and shows the rotation pattern in the bottom of a large storm cloud. It was taken just before dark yesterday. Countless trees and power lines were also knocked-down by the large storm system.



Obituaries

John Wilburn (Jay) Presswood, age 76, of Athens died Tuesday at Athen Regional Medical Center. He was co-owner of M & J Cabinets. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in McMinn Memory Gardens, with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Ziegler Funeral Home.

Charlotte Delores Sinclair, age 78, of Melbourne, Florida, died Tuesday in Florida. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Sunrise Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.

COMMUNITY NEWS

- ✓ The Athens Police and Fire Departments will respond and observe an earthquake drill today at all of the Athens city schools.
- ✓ An animal wellness clinic will be held at the Meigs County Fairgrounds in Decatur this Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call 334-9451.
- ✓ The McMinn County Historical Society will hold its monthly meeting this Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Blue Room of the Courthouse. The speaker will be Mary Ellen Nolletti, who will talk about genealogy research.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS: THE MCMINN COUNTY SCHOOLS AND MEIGS COUNTY SCHOOLS WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY DUE TO THE STORM DAMAGE OVERNIGHT. TREES HAVE BLOCKED NUMEROUS ROADS.

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THIS DAY IN HISTORY - APRIL 28

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1788 - Maryland ratified the U.S. Constitution and became the 7th state to do so.

1941 - Actress and singer Ann-Margaret was born. She starred in the movie version of "Bye Bye Birdie." She also co-starred in movies with Elvis Presley.

1945 - Italian ruler Benito Mussolini was executed by the Italian underground. He had started the Fascist political group and tried, unsuccessfully, to make Italy a superpower.

1975 - The last American civilians were evacuated from South Vietnam as North Vietnamese forces tightened their noose around Saigon.

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