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Thursday-July 7, 2011

Athens, Tennessee

State & Local News

◆ MOVE OVER LAW EXPANDED IN TENNESSEE

The next time you see an electric utility vehicle working on the side of the road, slow down and give it room. The workers will appreciate your courtesy and a new Tennessee law now requires it. The new law expands Tennessee's Move Over law to include electric and other utility vehicles. Police, fire, and highway construction vehicles were already covered before the law's expansion. As of July 1st, motorists approaching a utility vehicle with flashing lights are required to move over if safe to do so. If it is not possible to change lanes, motorists must reduce speed.

◆ McMINN-MEIGS GROWTH PROJECTIONS

Meigs County is projected to have the 2nd highest population growth of any county in Southeast Tennessee over the next 10 years. According to a forecast by ProximityOne Information Resources & Solutions, Meigs County's population will increase by 16.69% by the year 2020. Rhea County's population will go up by 15.07%, Bradley County's growth rate will be 11.45%, and the McMinn County population will increase by just 5.01%. Polk County, on the other hand, is expected to lose population with a 4.37% decrease by 2020.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ President Obama has invited congressional leaders to the White House today to try to resolve the stalemate over raising the debt limit before the August 2nd deadline. Obama wants to combine spending cuts and tax increases. House Speaker John Boehner says Republicans will not vote for tax increases.

◆ The U.S. government has warned domestic and international airlines that some terrorists are considering surgically implanting explosives inside human bodies so they can smuggle bombs onto airplanes.

◆ A bill to require California public schools to teach the historical accomplishments of gay men and lesbians has passed the state legislature.

◆ The government has sued former astronaut Edgar Mitchell to recover a camera used to explore the moon's surface during the 1971 Apollo 14 mission after seeing it on the list of items for sale in a New York auction. The lawsuit accuses Mitchell of illegally possessing the camera and attempting to sell it for profit.

◆ Former University of Tennessee assistant basketball coach Tony Jones has a new job. He's been hired as head basketball coach at Alcoa High School. Jones was fired by UT in March when head coach Bruce Pearl and his entire staff were let go.

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WEATHER

Thurs. - Partly sunny. 40% rain. High-near 90.

Thurs. night - Mostly cloudy. 30% rain. Low-near 60.

Friday - Mostly cloudy. 60% rain. High-upper 80's.

See our new Zoom Radar at:

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Athens, Tennessee

TWC Honors Harrison

Stan Harrison was honored by the TWC board at a reception last week for his service as Interim President of Tennessee Wesleyan College. Harrison served as Interim President from May of 2010 following the departure of Dr. Stephen Condon as president until June of 2011. Dr. Harley Knowles assumed the role of president on July 1st.

In the photo below (L-R), Front row: Dennie Humphreys and Harrison; Middle row: Sharon Brown, Buddy Liner, and Shirley Woodcock; Back row: Mintie Willson, Danny Hays, Regenia Mayfield, Jerry Smith and Bryan Jackson.



Obituaries

Ruth Duncan, age 96, of Delano died Wednesday at McMinn Memorial Nursing Home in Etowah. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.

Mrs. Thelma Bledsoe Crowe, age 83, of Niota died Wednesday at her home. She was retired from McKeehan Chair Company and Carver Chair Company. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Friday at Laycock-Hobbs, with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m.

COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The McMinn County Board of Education holds its monthly meeting tonight at 7 p.m. in the Blue Room of the Courthouse.
- ✓ You can get your pressure canner gauge tested for free at the UT Extension Office, 107 W. College Street, in Athens any day Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Testing takes just a few minutes. It is recommended that you have your gauge tested once every year.
- ✓ The Riceville Youth Football Organization will hold football and cheerleading signups this Saturday, July 9th, and on July 16th and July 23rd from 9 a.m. to noon at Riceville Elementary School. If your child has never cheered or played football with the team, you should bring a copy of your child's birth certificate. Practice begins July 25th from 6 to 8 p.m. For additional information, call Kyle Millsaps, president, at (423) 462-2197.



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THIS DAY IN HISTORY - JULY 7

1898 - President William McKinley signed a joint resolution of Congress authorizing the annexation of Hawaii. Hawaii became the 50th state in 1959.

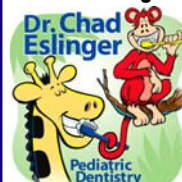
1918 - Country singer Red Sovine was born. His hit records include a duet with Webb Pierce, "Why Baby Why." He was also famous for his narrations including "Giddyup Go," "Phanton 309," "Teddy Bear," and "If Jesus Came To Your House." He had a heart attack while driving and died in 1980.

1927 - Country/bluegrass singer Charlie Louvin was born. He and his brother, Ira, had many hit records.

1937 - Japanese and Chinese troops clashed, beginning the struggle that led to World War Two in that part of the world.

1940 - Ringo Starr, singer and drummer with the Beatles, was born. His biggest hits as a solo artist were "Photograph" and "You're Sixteen."

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