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STATE & LOCAL NEWS

◆ MAN ARRESTED AFTER I-75 CHASE

A Knoxville man, Randall Dewayne Lay, faces multiple charges after a high-speed chase on I-75 in McMinn County Thursday morning. The chase began after the driver of a Jeep tried to sell some jewelry so he could buy gas at a gas station at Exit 42. A McMinn County deputy was called and when he tried to stop the Jeep, the driver sped north on I-75 at speeds in excess of 100 miles per hour, attempting to hit several vehicles. The Jeep was finally stopped at mile marker 58 with the assistance of other McMinn County deputies and a state trooper. A firearm and several suspected stolen items were found in the car.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ McMinn Central High School Head Football Coach Josh Goodin invites all Charger lettermen to join the Central Football Letterman's Club by making an annual donation of \$25. You can send donations, along with your contact information, to: Coach Josh Goodin; McMinn Central High School; 145 County Road 461; Englewood, TN 37331.

✓ The Arthritis Foundation *Walk With Ease* Program will be offered at the McMinn County Senior Activity Center in Athens starting September 7th. It is a structured walking program that teaches participants how to safely make physical activity part of their everyday life. It is also good for people without arthritis who want to make walking a daily habit. The class size will be limited to 24 people. The class is free. Register at the McMinn Senior Center.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ A hurricane watch has been posted for much of the North Carolina coast. Forecasters say Hurricane Irene could hit North Carolina's Outer Banks Saturday afternoon with winds of 115 mph. It is predicted to chug up the East Coast, dumping rain from Virginia to New York City. Irene is expected to reach land in Connecticut before fizzling out in Maine.

◆ Intense battles raged Thursday between rebels surrounding 10 buildings filled with Moammar Gadhafi supporters next to the Libyan leader's captured compound in Tripoli. In an audio message, Gadhafi called on Libyans to destroy the rebels. Sources say Gadhafi is safely in hiding and leading the battle against the rebels.

◆ A young Florida mother and her boyfriend have been sentenced to 12 years each in prison on manslaughter charges stemming from the death of the woman's 2-year-old daughter, who was strangled by their pet python in her crib. The 8½-foot-long python escaped from an unsecured aquarium during the night, crawled into the crib, and wrapped itself around the child's head and body.

◆ "Joe the Plumber" is back. Joe Wurzelbacher, the Ohio man whose questions about taxes to then-presidential candidate Barack Obama in 2008 became headline news, is now considering running for Congress in the Republican primary in Ohio.

◆ Merriam-Webster Collegiate Dictionary has added 100 new terms, including "tweet," the word describing a post made on the online Twitter message service, and "boomerang child," describing young people who return home in adulthood for financial reasons.



Registration Deadline: August 27th

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Church News & Events

- The Singing Cookes and the Cooke Brothers will be at Riceville Church of God at 7 tonight. The church is located on County Road 73 off Highway 11 South in Riceville. Admission is free, but an offering will be taken.
- Archie Watkins and Smoky Mountain Reunion along with The Singing Echoes and the Watson Brothers Trio will be in concert Saturday at 6:45 p.m. at Athens City Middle School. Tickets at the door are \$13.
- A benefit singing to raise money for medical bills for Tammy Liner Gray who is waiting on a heart transplant will be held this Saturday night, Aug. 27th, at 6 p.m. at Lakeview Baptist Church. She is the daughter of the pastor, Stanley Liner. Lakeview Baptist is located at 183 County Road 126 next to Dynasty Spas. The singers will be "The Good, Bad & Ugly," Tony Moore, and the "Life Lights."
- Pope Avenue Baptist Church at 301 Pope St. in Athens invites all teachers and faculty of the McMinn County and Athens City Schools to their teacher appreciation day service this Sunday at 10:45 a.m. Teachers will be recognized for their hard work and dedication to teaching our children.
- A Beth Moore simulcast will be held at North Etowah Baptist Church on Saturday, September 10th. The doors open at 9:30 a.m. and the simulcast begins at 10:30 a.m. Tickets are \$10 and seating is limited. Call 423-263-5531.

Obituaries

John H. Deakin, age 86, of Decatur died Wednesday at Maryville Health Care. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II where he took part in the Normandy invasion and later served in a Military Police Battalion. He and his late wife Penny were long-time owners of Captain John's Restaurant and Anchor Inn in Decatur. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at the McMinn Memory Gardens Mausoleum. Smith Funeral Home & Cremation Service of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

More Community News

- ✓ The Tennessee Highway Patrol will be conducting Sobriety Checkpoints in McMinn County on Saturday.
- ✓ Donations are currently being taken to purchase a flat panel television for the Niota Elementary School's lunch room. Donations can be made at the Peoples Bank in Niota.
- ✓ The Gem Players present *The Cemetery Club* again tonight and tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at the Gem Theater in Etowah.

FOOTBALL Schedules: Tonight is week two of the high school football season. McMinn High School plays at McCallie...Central will host Notre Dame...Meigs County travels to Sequatchie County...and Walker Valley will host Hixson.

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