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Friday-November 23, 2012

Athens, Tennessee

State & Local News

- ◆ An accused serial rapist, Dustin Moser of Etowah, is behind bars. Investigators say he used online dating sites to choose his victims. The three victims, from three different cities, had accounts with the same online dating site. Etowah Police say that is how Moser met the three women he's accused of attacking. Moser was out of jail on bond involving an earlier rape case, when the third victim, a 19-year old woman from Benton, says he raped her last week. Moser's bond has been set at \$500,000 and he is now in the McMinn County Jail.
- ◆ Governor Haslam and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation have announced \$322,400 in collection grants to establish, upgrade and expand used motor oil collection centers in 20 counties across Tennessee. The City of Athens will receive \$17,000, Meigs County, \$15,900, and Polk County, \$9,200, to help with motor oil collection and disposal.
- ◆ Chancellor Jerri S. Bryant of Athens has been recommended to Governor Haslam to fill an open seat on the Eastern Section of the Court of Appeals. The other two finalists named by the Judicial Nominating Commission are Chancellor Thomas Frierson, of Morristown, and former State Senator Mike Faulk, an attorney from Hawkins County. Haslam will pick one of the three for the seat that will be open due to the upcoming retirement of Judge Hershel P. Franks.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

- ◆ Some of the big-box retail stores couldn't wait until Friday to open their stores. Black Friday, the Super Bowl of retail, actually began on Thursday this year when stores decided to open on Thanksgiving day to give shoppers an opportunity to shop early for those door-busting deals.
- ◆ Hamas leaders in Gaza declared victory over Israel, and thousands of flag-waving supporters rallied in celebration on the first day of calm under an Egyptian-brokered truce that ended the worst cross-border fighting in four years. Eight days of punishing Israeli airstrikes on Gaza and a barrage of Hamas rocket fire on Israel ended inconclusively. Gaza's Hamas rulers claimed that Israel's decision not to send ground troops into the territory, was a sign of a new Hamas deterrent power. The mood in Israel was mixed. Some were grateful that quiet had been restored without a ground operation while others in southern Israel hit by rockets over the past 13 years thought the operation was abandoned too quickly.
- ◆ The cash-strapped U.S. Postal Service is moving aggressively this holiday season to start a premium service, known as Metro Post, for the Internet shopper by offering "same-day package delivery" for purchases made online. This expedited service will begin in San Francisco on Dec. 12, and will be offered at a price similar to its competitors. If it is a success, the program will begin next year in other major cities across the U.S.



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TWC Receives Piano Donation

Catherine "Cacky" Wentworth-Johnson has recently donated a piano in honor of her late husband, Harry C. Johnson, Jr., to Tennessee Wesleyan College. Mrs. Wentworth-Johnson hopes that the piano will honor Mr. Johnson's love for his alma mater and his love of music. Mr. Johnson was a 1947 graduate of TWC. In the photo, submitted by Brittany Shope with TWC: (L-R) Randy Nelson, TWC Chief Advancement Officer; Dr. Harley Knowles, TWC President; Mrs. Wentworth-Johnson; & Dennie Humphreys, Senior Pastor at Keith Memorial United Methodist Church.



Obituaries

Windell N. Walden, age 71, of Ten Mile passed away Tuesday, November 20 at Life Care Center of Athens. She was a former employee of Sportsmaster, Inc and for over 40 years sang with The Walden Trio. Funeral services will be at 3:00 p.m. Saturday at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church. The family will receive friends from 4-7 p.m. Friday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

Mildred Lucille "Lucy" Conar, age 78, of Athens, died Tuesday at NHC Healthcare of Athens. She taught school in the Athens City Schools for 25 years at Ingleside and North City Schools. She was instrumental in helping Ingleside School win two National Excellence in Education Awards and traveled to Washington, D.C. to accept the second award. A funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation from 6 to 8pm on Friday at the funeral home.

Leon Small, age 72, of Athens, died Monday at the University of Tennessee Medical Center in Knoxville. He was retired from the McMinn County Highway Department after many years of service. The family will receive friends from 1 to 2 p.m., Saturday at Beulah Chapel Nazarene Church, with a memorial service following at 2 p.m.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULES: Tennessee hosts Kentucky on Saturday. The kick-off is at 12:21p.m. and TV coverage is on the SEC Network. The Tennessee Titans play at the Jacksonville Jaguars this Sunday at 1 p.m. on CBS.

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