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Monday-May 20, 2013

Athens, Tennessee

Local and State News

◆ GOVERNOR SIGNS SEVERAL BILLS INTO LAW

Several bills passed by the Tennessee Legislature have been signed by Governor Haslam and will soon go into effect. Among them are:

~ A bill that reduces the state's sales tax on groceries. Beginning on July 1st, Tennessee shoppers will pay a 5% sales tax on food items. That's a reduction from the current 5.25%, and down from 5.5% in the previous budget year.

~ A bill that allows school districts to let people with police training to go armed in schools. Schools can hire retired law enforcement officers after they meet certain requirements. Information about who is armed or what schools allow armed officers will be kept confidential, except to law enforcement agencies.

~ Anyone convicted of DUI will have to get an ignition interlock device installed on their vehicle. The new law drops the level of the intoxication threshold to 0.08% and would apply to first-time DUI offenders. This bill was passed unanimously, in the House 95-0 and 31-0 in the Senate.

~ A measure to tighten enrollment requirements at privately run online schools has become law. The legislation allows beginning online schools to start with an enrollment of 1,500 and continue to expand as long as they meet performance requirements.

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NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ South Korea says North Korea has fired a projectile into waters off its eastern coast a day after launching three short-range missiles in the same area.

◆ Authorities believe the driver who plowed into dozens of hikers marching in a small Virginia town's parade suffered from a medical condition and did not cause the crash intentionally.

◆ The IRS acknowledgement that it had targeted Tea Party groups for extra scrutiny — a claim that tea party activists had made for years — is helping pump new energy into the coalition. Various Tea Party's are trying to use that development, along with the ongoing controversy over the Benghazi, Libya, terrorist attacks and the Justice Department's secret seizure of journalists' phone records, to recruit new activists incensed about government overreach.

◆ Students at Hofstra University wore white ribbons at their graduation ceremony yesterday to honor a fellow student who was accidentally killed by a police officer confronting an armed intruder. Andrea Rebello died when the masked man entered her off-campus home on Long Island.

◆ Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, appearing on "Meet the Press" said it's clear that political bullying is being cultivated by the Obama White House. White House officials refute that.



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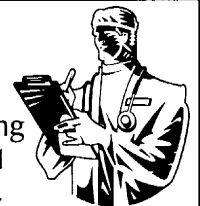
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MUFC U10 Girls Win Open Cup

The McMinn United Futbol Club Girls Under 10 recently won the Open Cup Soccer Tournament in Decatur, Alabama. Pictured (left to right): Makinlee Buckner, Kennedy Armstrong, Grace McDonald, Anna Grace Cunningham, Addison Smith, Allison Hansford, Kaya Hancock, Carlee Rule, Lauren Clark, and Sydnee Duncan. Coach Naomi Clarke is pictured in the rear. (Photo submitted by Morning Fax reader Brandi Armstrong)



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Obituaries

Glenn E. Jenkins, age 76, of Etowah, died last Thursday at his home. He was retired from Western Electric. He was a Veteran, serving in the U.S. Army and National Guard. A funeral service will be held at 7 p.m. Monday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

Barbara Jo Freeman, age 72, of Reliance died Friday at Woods Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 5-7 p.m. at Bordwine.

Fonda Crabtree Newman, age 70, of Decatur, died Saturday at Athens Regional Medical Center. A funeral service will be held Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at Ziegler.

Friday's Market Report

U.S. stocks closed higher, with the S&P 500 gaining for the fourth straight week. The advance was helped by a larger-than-anticipated increase in U.S. leading indicators as well as the University of Michigan index of consumer sentiment that suggested the economy may be poised for further expansion. U.S. bond prices closed lower with strength in equities. The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 235.91 points, or 1.56%, for the week. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 121.18 at 15,354.40. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 15.65 at 1,666.12 and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 33.72 at 3,498.97.

TODAY IN HISTORY-May 20

- 1902** - The United States ended a three-year military presence in Cuba as the Republic of Cuba was established under its first elected president, Tomas Estrada Palma.
- 1920** - Singer Vic Ames was born. He was one of the Ames Brothers singing group that was popular in the 1950's.
- 1927** - Aviator Charles Lindbergh departed from New York aboard "The Spirit of St. Louis" bound for Paris. He landed 33½ hours later, completing the first solo non-stop trans-Atlantic flight.
- 1932** - Amelia Earhart began the first solo flight by a woman across the Atlantic Ocean, flying from Newfoundland to Ireland.
- 1942** - During World War II, the Office of Civilian Defense was established.
- 1974** - Judge John Sirica ordered President Nixon to turn over tapes and other records of 64 White House conversations about the Watergate affair.

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