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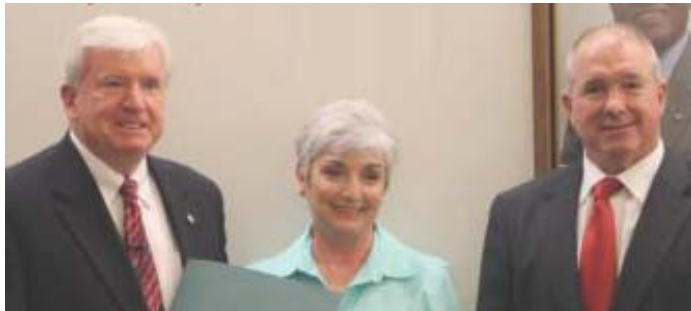
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Local and State News

◆ FORGETY HONORS MAYOR BUTTRAM

State Rep. John Forgety recently presented a plaque to Athens Mayor Hal Buttram thanking him for his service. Buttram has been a member of the Athens City Council and has served as Mayor for six years. Pictured L-R: Mayor Buttram, his wife Susan & Rep. Forgety.



◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ Tennessee Wesleyan College will host its 14th annual "Meet TWC" event this Wednesday, August 27, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the James L. Robb Gymnasium. Local businesses and organizations will be on hand to help TWC students become acquainted with their products, goods, and services.
- ✓ The Arts Center will host a **Swing Dance Party** this Friday in the Sue E. Trotter Black Box Theater. Beginners can come at 7 p.m. for a swing dancing lesson and stay for the party at 8 p.m. Admission is a minimum \$5 donation to the Athens Arts Council.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS


- ◆ Iraq's prime minister-designate, Haider al-Abadi, called on the country's numerous Shi'ite militias and tribes to come under government control and stop acting independently. The violence has killed at least 58 people in areas where the Muslim sect dominates.
- ◆ A Russian tourist climbed to the top of the Brooklyn Bridge to take pictures for fun in the landmark's second security breach in a month. The tourist was charged with reckless endangerment, trespassing and disorderly conduct and was arrested as he descended.
- ◆ An enraged soldier barricaded herself in a building at Fort Lee, Virginia and threw objects around the office and then fatally shot herself in the head Monday as law enforcement officials tried to negotiate with her. The soldier has not been identified. No other injuries were reported.
- ◆ Tropical Storm Cristobal slowly moved away from the central Bahamas, leaving behind severe flooding that marooned several communities across a swath of soaked Caribbean islands. The storm was moving north-northeastward, but it was forecast to curve away from the U.S. East Coast. Cristobal could become a hurricane on Wednesday as it moves over open waters west of the mid-Atlantic British territory of Bermuda.
- ◆ Hackers infiltrated Sony's PlayStation Network and disrupted the travel plans of a top company executive by going on Twitter to suggest that there was a bomb on his American Airlines plane. The PlayStation Network's online services were unavailable from Sunday through Monday afternoon Tokyo time. Hackers targeted Sony in 2011 when they accessed the personal info of 77million users.




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WEATHER
Tuesday - Sunny. High in the upper 80's.
Tuesday night - Mostly clear. Low in the lower to mid 60's.
Wednesday - Sunny. High in the lower 90's.
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Athens, Tennessee

Is That A Parrot? NO!

Here's a prime example of how things are not always what they seem to be. All of us would agree that is a photo of a parrot. But, it isn't. The parrot is in fact a female model who posed for Johannes Stooter, a fine art body painter. He spent hours painstakingly turning the woman into the image of a parrot, brushstroke by brushstroke. The model's arm forms the parrot's head and beak, and her legs form the wing and tail feathers. Once you see the woman, the bird disappears.



Remember, always take a closer look. Things aren't always what they appear to be.

Tennessee Headlines

- ✓ State Senator Jim Tracy has conceded a squeaker election loss to incumbent Scott DesJarlais in the Republican primary for the 4th District Congressional seat. DesJarlais won by just 38 votes. Tracy says he decided not to contest the election, saying he is not willing to put election officials, the public, and his family through additional weeks of litigation.
- ✓ The National Park Service has banned drones from the Appalachian Trail, which crosses through Tennessee and 13 other states. The Great Smoky Mountains National Park is enforcing the ban on drones over the 70 miles the trail runs through the park. Park officials say drones flying overhead detract from the overall visitor experience and can violate the privacy of park visitors.
- ✓ The Tennessee Highway Patrol is gearing up for a "no refusal" enforcement campaign over the Labor Day holiday. The "no refusal" law allows officials to seek search warrants for blood samples in cases involving suspected impaired drivers. On Friday night, troopers will conduct a driver's license checkpoint in Meigs County at SR 304 at Pleasure Island and a sobriety checkpoint at SR 304 at Hwy 68. The special enforcement effort begins at midnight on Friday and concludes at 11:59 p.m. on Monday, September 1.

WANTED: YOUR VACATION PICTURES

Where did you go for your summer vacation? In the coming days, The Morning Fax would like to feature some vacation photos. Send us your favorite vacation picture along with a brief description of the scene. E-mail your photo to: wyxi@bellsouth.net

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