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LOCAL & STATE NEWS

◆ KENTUCKY WRECK CLAIMS DECATUR MAN

A Decatur man, 53-year-old Franklin Grant Creasman, was killed in a two-vehicle accident in Shelby County, Kentucky, last Wednesday. Police say Creasman was driving a pickup truck on Interstate 64 when he collided into the back of a tractor-trailer. He was pronounced dead at the scene. Police say traffic was slowing down ahead of him and they speculate that Creasman may not have noticed the slowdown until it was too late. Creasman's Obituary was in last Friday's edition of the Morning Fax.

◆ FORMER McMINN COACH HAS CANCER

John Mullinax has confirmed that he has lung cancer. Mullinax, who is 70-years-old, was coach at McMinn County High School for 19 years. He is currently the coach at Tellico Plains High School. He was hospitalized for pneumonia earlier in October and that's when he was diagnosed with stage 3 lung cancer. He is undergoing treatment and doctors say they believe it is something they can contain.

◆ CHILD ALMOST DIES FROM ALCOHOL POISONING

The mother of an 11-month-old boy, Heather Oakes, was denied bond on Friday, after being charged with aggravated child abuse. Her little boy was taken to the Erlanger Emergency Room of Sequatchie County last week. First responders say he was unresponsive and had a low heart rate and was barely breathing. The child's blood alcohol level was 0.51%. Legal intoxication in the State of Tennessee is 0.08%. Oakes admitted that she gave the child a baby bottle mixed with infant formula and vodka.

NATIONAL & STATE NEWS

◆ Chipotle has closed 43 of its restaurants in Washington State and Oregon as health officials investigate an E. coli outbreak that appears to be linked to the specialty restaurant chain.

◆ Russian investigators are trying to learn what caused the crash of an Airbus A321 over Egypt's Sinai Peninsula over the weekend. Of the 224 people on board the plane, there were no survivors. ISIS claims that they caused the crash, but experts say they don't have the technical ability to do that.

◆ Several airlines, including UAE's and Lufthansa, say they will no longer fly any of the their aircraft over the Sinai Peninsula.

◆ Three people are dead after a gunman walking down a neighborhood street in Colorado Springs, began firing at random at the people he encountered. The suspect had multiple weapons on him. Police shot and killed the gunman.

◆ One of the three Americans who thwarted a terrorist attack on a train traveling to Paris in August has been promoted by the U.S. Air Force. Spencer Stone, an Air Force airman, was promoted to Staff Sergeant effective November 1st.

◆ Triple Crown winner American Pharoah won the Breeders' Cup Classic on Saturday.

FOOTBALL SCORES: McMinn County was blanked by Rhea County 29 to 0. McMinn Central was beaten by Scott County 43 to 14. Meigs County was defeated by Bledsoe County 35 to 27. Walker Valley lost to Ooltewah in double overtime 45 to 44. Marion County blanked Polk County 55 to 0. Tennessee completely overwhelmed Kentucky in Lexington with a score of 52 to 21.

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Does This Look Familiar?

On Friday, October 23rd, we published a photo of the Ribbon Cutting for the new addition recently constructed at Athens First Baptist Church. Perhaps you've never seen the original Athens First Baptist Church building. It was once located on North Jackson Street, in the vicinity of Sullins Eyecare Clinic. The below photo provided by McMinn Memories/Durant Tullock.



Obituaries

- **Candy Elaine Parsley**, age 46, of Decatur, died Friday, October 23. She was a long-haul truck driver for Skyline Transportation. A celebration of life memorial service was held on Friday at Walnut Grove Baptist Church with Companion Funeral and Cremation Service in charge of the arrangements.
- **Kenneth Lee "Papaw" "Pappy" McCowan**, age 82, of Athens, died Thursday. He was retired from Athen Stove Works. Funeral services were held Sunday at Greater Mount Pleasant Baptist Church. M.D. Dotson and Sons of Athens was in charge of the arrangements.
- **James Athel Rogers**, age 94, of Etowah, died Friday at his residence. He was a Veteran of the U.S. Navy serving in Pearl Harbor. Graveside services were held Sunday at Good Springs Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.
- **Hannah Mychal Rice**, age 23, of Athens, died last Thursday at Erlanger Medical Center. She had been associated with Cracker Barrel Restaurant and Denso Manufacturing. A Memorial Service will be held Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Smith Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at Smith.
- **William A. Cawfield**, age 89, of Athens, died Sunday at Bradley Healthcare in Cleveland. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

TWC STUDENTS CONDUCT DAY OF SERVICE

More than 250 Tennessee Wesleyan students, faculty and staff participated in the college's 5th Annual Day of Service on Tuesday, October 20. The volunteers provided 1,400 hours of volunteer service, with an economic impact of over \$32,000. Students, faculty and staff provided service throughout the McMinn County area, working with 18 partner agencies

such as Habitat for Humanity, The McMinn Regional Humane Society and several more. Photo provided by TWC.



Fairview Concludes Missions Conference

The Fairview Baptist Church held its annual Missions Conference last week. The church presently provides support to 86 missionaries in 53 countries. Six new candidates at the 2015 conference will be added to the international outreach program in January 2016. In the photo: (L-R) Stephen and Ashlee Underwood (South Africa), Brendon and Elise Wung (North Africa), Samuel and Carla Owens (Republic of Georgia), Pastor Jack Scallions, Paul and Amy Valles (Caiicos Islands), Brandyn and Alicia Knight (Japan), and Jeremiah and Lindsey Cooley (Liechtenstein). Photo courtesy of Fairview Baptist.

