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Local & State News

♦ FRIENDLY CITY TO REBUILD ON HIGHWAY 30

You may have noticed that the ruins of the Friendly City Auto Care building on West Madison Avenue were bulldozed and carried away last week. (See photo below) That does not mean, however, that Friendly City will be rebuilding at the same location. They plan to rebuild on Highway 30 West across from the old Double O. Gaylean Millsaps says they are operating temporarily out of a portable office building at the West Madison location. They are performing repair work at the vacant service station down the street. She says fire inspectors have determined that the fire last month started from an electrical short in a Jeep Wrangler that was parked inside the shop awaiting repairs.





NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

- ◆ The US capital struggled to plow and shovel its way back to life Monday after a blizzard smothered the East Coast, with mountains of snow lining the streets. The storm was blamed for at least 33 deaths as it slammed a dozen states from Friday into early Sunday. Many of the victims were people who suffered heart attacks while shoveling, were killed on icy roads, or died of carbon monoxide poisoning trying to keep warm in cars or homes.
- ◆ Citing anonymous sources, The New York Times stated that former New York Mayor, Michael Bloomberg, who is 73, is mulling an independent bid for the presidency and is prepared to spend \$1 billion of his personal fortune.
- ◆ Michigan state officials clarified late Friday that Flint residents would not be required to show identification in order to receive free water sources being distributed by the National Guard, the Red Cross and other volunteers in response to the city's water contamination crisis.

SENATOR BELL FILES BATHROOM BILL

State Senator Mike Bell of Riceville has filed a bill that would prevent boys from using the girls' restrooms in schools and viceversa. Bell's bill would require students in public schools from kindergarten age through university to use student restrooms and locker room facilities according to the sex on the student's original birth certificate. Bell says he decided to introduce the bill after learning that there have been cases in some schools, including McMinn County, where students have been trying to use the restrooms or locker rooms of the opposite sex.

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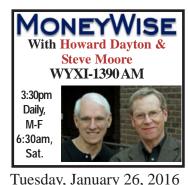
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WEATHER FORECAST

Tuesday - 80% rain. Highs in the lower 50's.

Tuesday night - Cloudy. 70% rain. Lows in the lower 30's. Wednesday - Mostly cloudy. 20% rain & snowshowers Highs in the lower to mid 40's. Zoom Radar at: www.wyxi.com



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Seldom Seen Snow Scenes

Bruce Hari sent us this photo of the red barn in the snow on the Hari farm.



Jeremy Brack sent us the photo to the right showing Caroline and Taylor Brack having fun on a great sledding hill in Meigs County.



Obituaries

- **Kathy Ann Bingham Hickey**, age 64, of Athens, (and formerly of Loudon) died Saturday. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Loudon Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at Loudon Funeral Home.
- Edith Marie Hanvey, age 98, of Etowah, died on Saturday at Starr Regional Medical Center in Etowah. She was a former pink lady at Woods Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Bordwine Funeral Home. There will be no formal visitation.
- **Ira Asbury Howard**, age 75, of Decatur, died Sunday. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Bowers Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.
- John Martin Brown, age 49, of Athens, died Monday at Starr Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be Friday at 4 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 2 to 4 p.m.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The McMinn County Veterans Service office will have a POW ceremony for a 97-year-old World War II veteran, Private Austin McDonald. McDonald never received his POW medal since the POW medal was not signed into law until 1985. The medal will be presented to McDonald this Saturday at 11 a.m. at the Athens City Middle School. The program is open to the public.
- ✓ The Etowah Carnegie Library will show a children's movie this Saturday at 11 a.m. You are invited to join them for a fun movie with free popcorn and soft drinks.

TODAY IN HISTORY - January 26

- **1784 -** In a letter to his daughter, Benjamin Franklin expressed unhappiness over the eagle as the symbol of America. He wanted it to be the turkey.
- **1837 -** Michigan became the 26th state.
- **1880 -** Douglas MacArthur was born in Little Rock, Arkansas. He was one of the leading U.S. Army generals of World War II and led the Allied forces to victory in the Southwest Pacific.
- **1905 -** The world's largest diamond, the Cullinan diamond (also known as the Star of Africa), was found in South Africa. It weighed about $1\frac{1}{2}$ pounds.
- **1960 -** Pete Rozelle was elected commissioner of the National Football League. He stayed on the job for more than 25 years.
- **1986 -** Super Bowl XX was played at New Orleans: Chicago Bears 46, New England Patriots 10. Coach Mike Ditka, RT William "The Refrigerator" Perry, QB Jim McMahon, and RB Walter Payton. MVP: Bears' DE Richard Dent. Tickets: \$75.00. Nielsen TV ratings indicated that exactly 50 percent of the U.S. population watched at least some part of the game, making it, at the time, the most watched TV program in history.
- **1998 -** President Clinton denied having an affair with a former White House intern, telling reporters, "I did not have sexual relations with that woman, Miss Lewinsky."