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Athens, Tennessee

STATE AND LOCAL NEWS • TEXTING & DRIVING NOT A GOOD IDEA

Brett Rayburn of C.R. 783 was slightly injured Saturday when he

tried to return a text message and ran his BMW off C.R. 784, in South Mc-M i n n C o u n t y. Members of

the Etowah



Rescue Squad and Rural Fire Department had to remove the windshield in order to get Rayburn out of the car. He was taken to Woods Hospital by Rural-Metro for treatment. Photo by Jay Thomson.

♦ The community is invited to help pack Friendly Fellow food boxes tonight at 6 p.m. at the National Guard Armory. Eligible households can pick-up the boxes on Tuesday from 8:30a-11:30a at the armory.

• The McMinn County Commission will meet tonight in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse at 7:30 p.m.

NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL NEWS

• World powers trying to defuse tensions between North and South Korea met in an emergency session of the U.N. Security Council on Sunday. China objects to having North Korea being "singled out".

• Eight republican Senators voted with the Democrats on Saturday to overturn the Clinton-era policy of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell", which will allow homosexuals and lesbians to openly serve in the U.S. military. President Obama is expected to sign the bill into law this week.

♦ A massive oil pipeline explosion lay waste to parts of a central Mexican city Sunday, incinerating people, cars, houses and trees as gushing crude oil turned streets into flaming rivers. At least 27 people were killed, 12 of them children, in a disaster authorities blamed on oil thieves, who ruptured nearby pipelines in order to steal the oil.

• Baring cloudy weather, astronomy enthusiasts across North America will be able to witness a lunar eclipse tonight. A lunar eclipse takes place when the sun, earth, and moon are all perfectly aligned with the Earth in the middle. When the moon passes behind the Earth, the sun's rays are blocked from striking the moon. This can only occur when the moon is full. The eclipse will be from 1:33 a.m. to 5:01 a.m. Tuesday in the East.



ENJOY CONTINUOUS CHRISTMAS MUSIC WITH LIMITED INTER-RUPTIONS OVERNIGHT FROM 7 P.M. TO 6 A.M. THROUGH DEC. 26TH. WYXI RADIO AM-1390

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ATHENS, TENNESSEE

OBITUARIES

Richard T. Hardin, age 79, of Calhoun, died Thursday at Athens Regional Medical Center. He retired from the USAF after 21 years and then retired from the U.S. Postal Service. Graveside services were held Saturday at Bethel Springs Cemetery in Calhoun with Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Linda Sue Farrell Millsaps, age 54, of Athens, died Thursday at Athens Regional Medical Center. There was no formal visitation or service. Ziegler Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Nellie Leona Pickens Dennis, age 80, of Athens, died Tuesday at a tor in the State of Tennessee. He was named the State Teacher of the Pittsburgh, PA hospital. She was a retired nurse and broke the record for the most points scored for girl's high school basketball at MCHS in 1949. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Double Springs Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Baptist Church with Ziegler Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Ray Henry Aldridge, age 78, of Etowah, died Friday at NHC of Athens. He was a veteran of the Korean War, serving in the U.S. Army. He earned the Korean Service Medal with 2 Bronze Stars, the Purple Heart, & the U.N. Service Medal. There will not be a funeral service, but the family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Bordwine Funeral Home

Sandra Elizabeth Buckner, age 57, of Englewood, died Friday at Athens Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Monday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Michael G.W. Birch, of Athens and formerly of Warwickshire, England, died Friday. He served in the British Royal Army and attained the rank of Corporal. Memorial services will be held at a later date. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

OBITUARIES - CONTINUED

Hugh Miller Reynolds, age 75, of Englewood, died Saturday at Woods Hospital. He was a businessman and farmer and served in the Tennessee National Guard. A funeral service will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Smith Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at Smith Funeral Home.

Richard H. "Dick" Brakebill, age 78, of Athens, died Saturday at U.T. Medical Center. He was the first Auto Instructor at the Tennessee Technology Center of Athens and was the first Certified Instruc-Year in 1990. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Athens Church of Christ with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at the church.

C & D Tires of Athens is moving to a new location. Tammy Elmore tells the MORNING FAX that C & D has outgrown their current location on West Madison Avenue and will be opening soon on South White Street, in the former Gray Epperson Building. Chuck Lillard is the store manager.



