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Local and State News

◆ MAN RESCUED AFTER STARR MTN. FALL

A man had to be rescued this past Saturday when he fell in the White Cliffs area of Starr Mountain. Carl Freeman returned to the spot overlooking the Tellico area where he had become engaged. He slipped and fell about 40 feet, suffering a broken leg. Volunteers from the Monroe County and Etowah Rescue Squads along with the Englewood Rural Fire Department responded. Freeman was stabilized and then placed in a Stokes Basket and hauled up the hill by rope. An ambulance took him to Sweetwater Hospital. (Photo by Jay Thomson)



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NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ The President has frozen the U.S. assets of seven Russian officials, including top advisers to President Vladimir Putin, for their support of Crimea's vote to secede from Ukraine. Obama warned that more people could face financial punishment, if Russia continues to interfere in Ukraine, and more sanctions could be imposed. The president believes there could be a diplomatic resolution to the crisis and that the sanctions can be calibrated based on whether Russia escalates or pulls back in its involvement.

◆ The search for the missing Malaysian jet continues into the northern and southern hemispheres as Australia scoured the southern Indian Ocean and China offered 21 satellites to respond to Malaysia's call for help in the unprecedented hunt. Malaysian authorities say the jet was intentionally diverted from its flight path during an overnight flight from Kuala Lumpur to Beijing and that it flew off-course for several hours. Suspicion has fallen on the pilots, but Malaysian officials claim they are investigating all of the 239 people aboard the flight.

◆ The overall top seed in the NCAA tournament is Florida. The other No. 1 seeds are Virginia, Arizona and Wichita State.

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WEATHER

Tuesday - Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 50's to lower 60's.
Tuesday night - Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 40's.
Wednesday - Partly sunny. 20% rain. Highs - mid 60's.
More Weather & Zoom Radar at: www.wyxi.com

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Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The March meeting of the MADCAT Coalition will be tomorrow at noon at Michael's Restaurant in Etowah.
- ✓ An Evening with Friends continues at the Etowah Carnegie Library next Tuesday, March 25th, at 6:30 p.m. You are invited to meet veterinarian Kathryn Primm, author of "Tennessee Tails: Pets and Their People."
- ✓ A group of 26 Tennessee Wesleyan College students, faculty, and guests travelled to the mountains of Costa Rica during TWC's spring break. Eighteen nursing students provided health check-ups in remote areas. The TWC nursing team served 300 patients, ranging in age from one month to 92 years. The photo below shows nursing student Kayla Snyder holding a one-month-old patient, while students Katie Donovan and Kaitlyn Sims look on.



Obituaries

Roy L. Gray, Jr., age 74, of Etowah died Saturday at his home after a long fight with brain cancer. He was retired from J.M. Huber Corporation and had worked for the Sundry Stores for the past several years. He served in the U.S. Coast Guard for 11 years. A private burial service will be held on Tuesday. A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday at North Etowah Baptist Church with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the church. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Jack T. Hutsell, age 87, of Athens died Monday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. He served in the U.S. Army 104th Infantry Division during WWII. He was associated with R. C. Bottling Company of Athens for thirty-five years until his retirement. Funeral services will be Tuesday at 8 p.m. at Smith Funeral Home with visitation from 5:30-7:30 at Smith Funeral Home.

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT: The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 181.55 at 16,247.22. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 17.70 at 1,858.83, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 34.55 at 4,279.95.

TENNESSEE HEADLINES

- ✓ About 160 soldiers from two Tennessee National Guard units based in Smyrna are headed to Afghanistan for a year-long deployment.
- ✓ Scottie Mayfield of Athens has agreed to be the Honorary Chairman for Rep. Chuck Fleischmann's bid for a third term in office.

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