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LOCAL & AREA NEWS

◆ 7 FILE FOR CITY COUNCIL RACE

When the deadline for filing petitions for the November 2nd election ended at noon Thursday, seven candidates had filed for the Athens City Council. Four seats are up for grabs. One of them is for a 2-year term. Shane Jackson is the only candidate to file for that race. (That is the seat won by Shannon Alvey, who resigned not long after being re-elected. Jackson was appointed to fill her seat until the next election.) The candidates filing for the three 4-year terms are Jones Beene, Hal Buttram, Dick Pelley, Bo Perkinson, Steven Sherlin, and Connie Woodcock. Buttram, Pelley, Jackson, and Perkinson are current members of the city council.

A total of five candidates filed to run for the three seats coming open on the Athens School Board. They are Preston W. Brown, Chris Liner, Jim Nelson, Amy Sullins, and Pasha Versa. Liner and Nelson are current members of the school board.

Six candidates filed to run for the Calhoun City Commission. They are Kelly Burns, Terri Damoth, Larry Lunsford, Faye Parks, John Parks, and John Walker.

And four candidates filed for the Niota City Commission: Gill Gates, Lee Mason, Richard Rutledge, and Sonya Walden.

CLARIFICATION: Our story in Thursday's Morning Fax about missing money in the McMinn County Court Clerk's office caused a few readers to be confused. The missing money was in the McMinn County CIRCUIT Court Clerk's office, not the County Clerk's office. Those are two different offices. We apologize for any confusion.

NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

• The last American combat troops, the 4th Stryker Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, have left Iraq and rolled into Kuwait, well ahead of President Obama's August 31 deadline for ending U.S. combat operations in Iraq.

• Two new polls show Americans are increasingly becoming convinced that President Obama is a Muslim. A poll by Pew Research Center shows 18% think Obama is a Muslim, up from 11% in March 2009. A Time magazine poll shows 24% of those questioned think he is Muslim.

• Employers appear to be laying off workers again as the economic recovery weakens. The number of people applying for unemployment benefits reached the half-million mark last week for the first time since November. The stock market responded with the Dow Jones Industrials Average closing at 10,271.21; down 139.94 points.

◆ A nationwide recall of eggs linked to an outbreak of salmonella that has sickened hundreds of people in three states has been expanded and now includes 380-million eggs. The eggs were packaged under brand names Lucerne, Albertson, Mountain Dairy, Ralph's, Boomsma's, Sunshine, Hillandale, Trafficanda, Farm Fresh, Shoreland, Lund, Dutch Farms, and Kemps. Officials are investigating possible salmonella cases in several other states, including Tennessee.

• In Spain, a bull leapt into the packed grandstands of a bullring and ran amok, charging and trampling spectators and leaving 40 people injured.



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Athens, Tennessee

Who's New In Pink & Blue "

Olivia Nevaeh Letner was born August 13 at Athens Regional Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds and 14 ounces and was 20 inches long. Her parents are Carrie Morgan and Robert Letner of Athens.

Annabelle Brooke Carroll was born August 10 at ARMC. She weighed 6 pounds and 15 ounces and was 19½ inches long. Her parents are Courtney Iverson and Devin Carroll of Athens.

Church News & Events

- Attorney David C. Gibbs, Jr., will be the special speaker for the Fairview Baptist Church Heritage Month Sunday this coming Sunday, Aug. 22, at Fairview Baptist Church. Dr. Gibbs is president and founder of the Christian Law Association, a nationwide legal ministry dedicated to defending Christian liberty in America. He will speak in the main auditorium at 10 a.m., 11 a.m., and 6 p.m.

- The Carters will be singing at Rogers Creek Baptist Church on Sunday at 6:30 p.m. For information, call 506-8167.

- Voice of Deliverance Church of God and Christ will observe Pastor Larry Saunders' 9th anniversary this Sunday at 4 p.m. Lunch will be served from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

- The Beth Salem annual homecoming will be this Sunday at 11 a.m. This is the church's 144th anniversary. The speaker will be Rev. Joe Moore.

Air Evac Gets New Copter

The McMinn County Air Evac Lifeteam crew has a new addition. Air Evac has added a new Bell 206L4 helicopter to its base in Etowah. The new aircraft is a more powerful model than the previous copter and is outfitted with Night Vision Goggles. Air Evac Program Director Whitney Miller says the state-of-the-art Night Vision Goggles are particularly useful on nights with little illumination to help the pilot identify emergency scene landing zones. The goggles raise nighttime vision to 20/20 as opposed to 20/200 vision without the goggles. The new aircraft is pictured below.



OBITUARY: Thomas Douglas Redman, age 44, of Athens died Thursday at Athens Regional Medical Center. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.

