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Wednesday-February 20, 2013

Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Cherokee Beekeepers Association will hold its 43rd annual Short Course in Beekeeping this Saturday, Feb. 23rd, at Valley Farmers Co-Op in Athens starting at 9:30 a.m. The course is free and is open to anyone interested in beekeeping. For more information, call Jim Gentry at 745-2829.
- ✓ The Annual Banquet of the Etowah Area Chamber of Commerce will be held tomorrow, Thursday, Feb. 21st, at 7 p.m. at the Central High School cafeteria. The annual awards will be presented. The speaker will be Vallie Collins, a passenger on U.S. Airways Flight 1549 that made a "splash landing" in the Hudson River in New York on Jan. 15, 2009.
- ✓ The American Red Cross will host "Mom Prom" this coming Saturday at 7 p.m. at McMinn County High School. "Mom Prom" is a ladies night out in which women can wear their old prom dresses, wedding gowns, bridesmaids gowns, or other formal wear. Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$22 for children 10 and under. The proceeds benefit the Red Cross. For tickets, call 887-4547.
- ✓ Greater Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church will have a Chili cook-off contest this Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Anyone can enter the contest. Prizes will be awarded to the best entries. A bowl of chili, crackers, and tea will be served for \$6 beginning at 12 noon.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

- ◆ Former Commander of Allied Forces in Afghanistan, Marine General John Allen, will retire from the military to care for his ailing wife. Allen was President Obama's, nomination to head NATO. Obama met with the departing officer on Tuesday and accepted his request to leave the armed forces.
- ◆ The U.S. Postal Service announced Tuesday that it has a licensing deal with a Cleveland, Ohio-based clothing company, Wahconah Group, Inc., to produce a line of apparel dubbed, "Rain Heat & Snow", which will be available sometime in 2014. The attire will go beyond T-shirts and baseball caps and will include wearable electronics, like jackets that have iPod controls built into the sleeve.
- ◆ If the Obama administration's version of immigration reform passes, illegal immigrants would face a maximum of a 13-year wait to become citizens. They would have to pay a fine, make sure their English skills are up to par, and pass a background check just to gain temporary legal immigration status. If approved, immigrants would have to wait eight years or until current legal immigration backlogs are cleared, whichever comes first, before gaining permanent legal status, then they must wait five years before applying for citizenship.

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Officer Elections
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 @ McMinn County Courthouse
 All Party Members are requested to attend.

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ATHENS' OWN PATSY CLINE

The musical production of *Always, Patsy Cline*, wraps up this weekend at The Arts Center. The final performances will be this Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m.



The play is based on the true story of country singer Patsy Cline's friendship with Houston housewife Louise Segar. Melonie Carideo (Left) plays the role of Patsy Cline and sings 27 of Patsy's biggest hits. Kendra Johnson is Louise. Band members are David Ledbetter, Matt Dannel, Andrew Kimball, Oneta Wright, Bill Paisley, Joe Littleton, and Tim Collins. The production is directed by Ellen Kimball. Tickets to *Always, Patsy Cline*, are \$15 for adults

and \$8 for students. They are available at The Arts Center or you may call 423-745-8781. The Friday night show is sold out, but tickets are still available for Saturday night and Sunday afternoon.

Obituaries

David Michael "Frosty" Frost, died last Saturday at UT Medical Center. He was a lifetime member of the Etowah Rescue Squad and a former Chief. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church. Burial will follow at Green Hill Cemetery. A fire engine will carry the coffin and an honor guard with bagpipes will follow. Members of the Etowah Rescue Squad will "walk the last mile" with Frosty from the church to the cemetery. That will cause traffic slowdowns on U.S. 411.

James "Jim" Bates, age 80, of Etowah died Sunday at McMinn Memorial Nursing Home. He was retired from Bowater. No formal visitation will be held. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Green Hill Cemetery.

Linda Gail Brooks, age 59, of Decatur died Sunday in a Knoxville hospital. Visitation was Tuesday at Companion Funeral & Cremation Service in Cleveland. A private burial will be held in Short Creek Baptist Church Cemetery.

TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks advanced with a surge in merger activity after a report that Office Depot and OfficeMax have discussed a merger and may announce a deal as early as this week. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 53.91 at 14,035.67. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 11.15 at 1,530.94, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 21.56 at 3,213.59. In commodity markets the spot price of gold fell \$5.10 to \$1,604.95. The spot price of silver fell \$0.52 to \$29.42, and crude oil prices rose \$0.79 to \$96.65 per barrel.

NEW THIS YEAR...

SILENT AUCTION

Items up for bid are the class theme baskets & two, hand-sewn quilts with original artwork by the 7th & 8th grade classes. Going on **NOW - 6pm, Friday**, when Silent Bidding will end & the Live Auction will begin.

E.K. BAKER SCHOOL ANNUAL AUCTION

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND

Gym doors open at 5pm - Live Auction begins at 6pm. Concessions will include hotdogs & fixings, cheese nachos, etc.

Come on out & support the school while having a fun evening !

Today In History - February 20

1725 - The first known Indian scalping by white men happened on this day in the colony of New Hampshire.

1792 - President George Washington signed the Postal Service Act. Letters delivered up to 30 miles cost six cents to mail. For letters up to 150 miles, postage was 12 ½ cents.

1872 - Luther Crowell received a patent for a machine for manufacturing paper bags. The patent allowed for the bags to have two longitudinal inward folds.

1940 - Singer Barbara Ellis was born. She was a member of the Fleetwoods, a popular singing group in the early 1960's. Their biggest hits records were "Mr. Blue" and "Come Softly To Me."

1962 - Astronaut John Glenn became the first American to orbit the earth. He piloted his Friendship 7 capsule through three orbits of the earth.

WEATHER: Wed.-Sunny. High-Upper 40's. Wed. night - Partly cloudy. Low-Mid 20's. Thurs.-Partly sunny. High mid 50's. See Zoom Radar at: www.wxyi.com