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Tuesday-August 27, 2013

Local and State News

◆ THREE ATHENS EATERIES CLOSE DOORS

The poor economy continues to be felt in Athens. In the past month, three Athens restaurants have gone out of business. Asahi Japanese Grill on South White Street, Bare's Family Cafe on Ingleside Avenue, and Heavenly Hamburgers on Decatur Pike have all closed their doors.

◆ ETOWAH RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENT STATS

During the period January through July of 2013, the Etowah Rescue Squad and Rural Fire Department responded to a total of 176 calls. Ninety-four of them were First Responder Calls, 14 were motor vehicle accidents, 13 were structure fires, 11 were wild land fires, six were smoke and/or fire alarm calls, and four were mutual aid calls to other fire departments. The busiest month was January with 33 calls.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ A Car Wash and Silent Baked Good Auction will be held this Saturday at the VFW Post on Congress Parkway. You can get your car washed from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. for a \$5 donation. The silent auction goes from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. It's sponsored by the VFW Post 5146 and the Ladies Auxiliary. Proceeds benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

✓ The Mountain Valley Blue Star Mothers will have a Corn Toss Tournament at the VFW Post in Sweetwater this coming Saturday, August 31st. Proceeds will benefit men and women in the Armed Forces.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ It was a tragic weekend on the Ocoee River in Polk County, with two rafting deaths. An Atlanta woman died Saturday after she was thrown out of a raft in the rapid known as "Grumpy's" below Ocoee Dam Number Two. She was able to grab a rescue rope. However, she lost consciousness while rescuers were trying to pull her to safety. On Sunday, a woman from Smyrna, TN, died in the same rapid when she was ejected from her raft. Rescuers pulled her out of the water and tried CPR, but it was too late.

◆ Secretary of State John Kerry said that the United States believes Syria's Bashar Assad used chemical weapons to slaughter civilians last week and vowed that the United States will respond. Kerry stated that the United States government and its allies are reviewing non-public information about the alleged attack and promised to provide that information in the days ahead.

◆ Survivors of the attack and relatives of those killed at Fort Hood testified Monday at the sentencing phase of Maj. Nidal Hasan's trial. The sentencing phase allows victims and their families to tell jurors how their lives were affected by the attack.

◆ The first woman to own a seat on the New York Stock Exchange, Muriel "Mickie" Siebert, has died of complications of cancer at age 84. She started her career as a trainee in research at Bache & Co. at the age of 26.

◆ Venus Williams defeated 12th-seeded Kirstin Flipkens yesterday in the first round of the U.S. Open. This is one of her biggest wins since she pulled out of this tournament two years ago because of Sjogren's syndrome, an autoimmune disease.



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WEATHER

Tuesday - Mostly sunny. High upper 80's to lower 90's..
Tuesday night - Partly cloudy. Low in the lower 60's.
Wednesday - Mostly sunny. High upper 80's to lower 90's.
More Weather & Zoom Radar at: www.wyxi.com

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Chamber Holds Ribbon Cutting

There was a recent ribbon cutting at Camellia Home Health on North Congress Parkway. Pictured on front row (L-R): Ginger Carter, Melissa Campbell, Chamber Diplomats; Diane Healey, Bruce Ingram, Pam Breedwell and Annette Wilcoxon w/Camellia; Billie Crabtree, Chamber Diplomat and Jean Ennist w/ Camellia. Back row (L-R): Rob Preston, Chamber CEO, Kevin Benzoni w/Camellia; Bo Perkinson, City Councilman, Vicky Brown, Chamber Diplomat, Bobbie Rooker (obscured), Sharon Morgan, Bryon Thorpe, Julee Lance (obscured), Maggie Bickley, Allison Thomas, Miranda Reeves, Randy Rusche, Summer Cook w/Camellia, Kim Gunter, Chamber Diplomat and Ann Davis, Vice Mayor.

(Photo by Cheri Harrison)



Obituaries

James Sanford Anderson, Sr., age 93, of Niota, died Monday at Athens Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m., Tuesday at Union McMinn Baptist Church with visitation from 5-8 p.m. at the church. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Judith Ann Lovingood, age 66, of Athens died Sunday at NHC of Athens. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at Laycock.

Sherri Renee Robinson Chrisman, age 47, of Athens died Sunday at Athens Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at Ziegler.

James Lewis Plemons, age 80, of Riceville died Sunday at his home. He was a former employee of the McMinn Co. Highway Dept. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Calvary Baptist Church with visitation from 5-7 p.m. at the church. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Louise Swartout McGrath, age 73, of Etowah died Sunday at Parkwest Medical Center in Knoxville. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 5-7 p.m. at Bordwine.

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT: The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 64.05 at 14,946.46. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 4.79 at 1,658.71, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 0.22 at 3,657.57.



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TODAY IN HISTORY - AUGUST 27

1859 - The first successful oil well in the U.S. was drilled near Titusville, Pennsylvania. The well at first brought in 8 gallons of oil per day.

1877 - Author Lloyd Douglas was born in Indiana. He wrote such books as "The Robe" and "Magnificent Obsession."

1908 - Lyndon Baines Johnson was born. He became the 36th President after President John F. Kennedy was assassinated.

1942 - Daryl Dragon was born. He was the "Captain" of the musical duo Captain and Tennille. Their big hit record was "Love Will Keep Us Together."

1945 - American troops began landing in Japan following the surrender of the Japanese government in World War II.

2007 - Atlanta Falcons quarterback Michael Vick pleaded guilty in Richmond, Va., to a federal dogfighting charge.

2008 - Sen. Barack Obama of Illinois was nominated for president by the Democratic National Convention in Denver.