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Friday-December 20, 2013

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Today's News...This Morning

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Athens, Tennessee

LOCAL & AREA NEWS

◆ ANOTHER DELAY FOR THE VA CLINIC

There's another delay in the target date for the opening of the new Veterans Administration clinic in Athens. The Morning Fax was told a couple of months ago that the clinic would be opening on January 20th. Now, Congressman Chuck Fleischmann says he's been told that the target date has been delayed until March 1st. Construction is continuing on the new VA clinic, which will be located in the Cates Corner Shopping Center at 1312 Decatur Pike.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ Southeast Tennessee Legal Services will be at the Etowah Carnegie Library on Dec. 27th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. The service is for low income parents of minor children in McMinn County dealing with divorce, custody, child support, and other family legal issues. An appointment is necessary and can be arranged by calling 423-756-0128.
- ✓ The Athens Community Theater is in production of Stephen Sondheim's *Into the Woods*, which will be presented in February. ACT is requesting help in transforming the theater into the "woods." It will be the most complicated and elaborate set and volunteer artisans are needed. For details call 745-8781 or 506-6825.

NATIONAL AND WORLD NEWS

- ◆ The Apollo Theater in central London partially collapsed during a performance, injuring several people. Around 700 people were in the theater at the time. The cause of the collapse is unknown at this time.
- ◆ Russian President Vladimir Putin announced that he will pardon ex-oil tycoon and bitter Kremlin critic Mikhail Khodorkovsky after more than a decade behind bars. Putin revealed that Khodorkovsky, 50, had for the first time written a request for a pardon, citing humanitarian circumstances, as his mother is ill.
- ◆ About 40 million Target shoppers had their credit and debit card information stolen sometime between Nov 24 and Dec 15. The stolen data includes customer names, credit and debit card numbers, card expiration dates and the three-digit security codes located on the back of the cards.
- ◆ Cuba is going to ease restrictions on car imports for the first time in half a century, marking the end of an era that made icons of the island's vintage automobiles. This decision will gradually free up retail sales of all manner of vehicles, and end the practice of granting some Cubans special permission to bring in vehicles as a privilege.

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Athens, Tennessee

Church News & Events

- A Christmas musical celebration will be held at the Cooke Ministry Center, 714 Walter Street, this Sunday at 5 p.m. The program will feature traditional and contemporary selections with duets, soloists, and a multi-voice choir composed of members from community churches. Everyone is invited to attend.

FLASH MOB SURPRISES SHOPPERS

First Baptist Church of Athens assembled a 'flash mob' and appeared at several Athens businesses Wednesday night to remind people of the true meaning of Christmas. Shoppers at Belk, K-Mart, Lowes, and Ingles were surprised when members of the Church began singing Christmas Carols in the stores. The event was culminated with an appearance by Joseph, Mary, & the baby Jesus.



Obituaries

Dorothy Beck, age 66, of Englewood, died Thursday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. She was a dairy farmer for 18 years and a florist for 27 years. A funeral service will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday at Bordwine.

Ida Kempf Ervin, age 83, of Junction City, Kansas, died Wednesday at the home of her daughter, Ellen Frederick of Niota. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT:

U.S. stocks closed little changed amid increasing jobless claims after rallying yesterday on news that the Fed is tapering bond purchases. In economic news, initial jobless claims rose for the week ending December 14 and continuing claims rose for the week ending December 7. The sectors of the S&P 500 closed mixed with Utilities shares down the most and Material shares limiting the decline. U.S. Treasury prices closed down for the day. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 11.11 at 16,179.08. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 1.05 at 1,809.60, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 11.93 at 4,058.14.

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WEATHER
Friday - Mostly cloudy. Highs in the lower to mid 60's.
Friday night - Cloudy with 40% rain. Lows in the mid 50's.
Sat. - Mostly cloudy. 60% rain. Highs in the upper 60's to lower 70's.
See our Zoom Radar at: www.wyxi.com

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