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Wednesday, April 9, 2014

Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

◆ GET SET TO HUNT FOR EGGS!

The annual City of Athens Easter Egg Hunt will be held this coming Saturday at 12 noon at the Athens Regional Park. Over 10,000 eggs will be placed on the grounds at the front of the park beginning at the lake pavilion. The hunt is open to children ages 12 and under, and all ages will hunt at the same time. All eggs are filled with either sponsor prizes or with small pre-stuffed prizes.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ McMinn County Director of Schools Mickey Blevins will give his "State of the System" address at 4:45 p.m. tomorrow at the McMinn County Center for Educational Excellence, 3 S. Hill St. The school board will meet at 5:30 p.m.
- ✓ Today is the deadline to sign up for the MCHS J-Teens Community Easter Dinner to be held on April 16th at 6 p.m. Meals will be delivered or you can eat at the MCHS Cafeteria. Call Cindy Studdard to sign-up at 745-4142.
- ✓ The Friends of Etowah Library Book Sale will be this Thursday from 5 to 8 p.m. for members only, and open to the public on Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Etowah Community Center gym, 155 Robinson St.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

- ◆ California State Senator Leland Yee denied plotting to smuggle guns from the Philippines and trading political favors for cash, in a colorful case centered on San Francisco's Chinatown underworld. Yee pleaded not guilty to eight felony charges for which he could face life in prison if convicted.
- ◆ A brawl broke out in Ukraine's parliament, following a statement by Communist Party leader Petro Symonenko that the government had divided the nation. The fistfight started when two deputies from the nationalist-party pushed Symonenko from the podium.
- ◆ Scientists are growing noses, ears, and blood vessels in a north London hospital, in a bold attempt to make body parts in the laboratory. It's not the only lab in the world that is pursuing the futuristic idea of growing organs for transplant, but the London work was showcased to attract more labs to do cutting-edge health and science research in the area.
- ◆ Alan Gross, the 64 year-old American who is imprisoned in Cuba for illegally setting up Internet access on the island, is on a hunger strike. Gross is protesting his treatment by the governments of Cuba and the United States. He's been imprisoned for four years.

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The Gem Players Presents
Pat Cook's
"Death and Taxes"
a mystery comedy
April 10, 11, 12, 15, 17, 18, 19
at 7:30 p.m.
April 13 at 2:30 p.m.
Gem Theater, Etowah
Tickets \$12 (8-12 years, \$8)
423-263-3270

Wednesday-April 9, 2014

Athens, Tennessee

"Death and Taxes"

The Gem Players round out their 21st season with the return of Pat Cook's **Death and Taxes**. This hilarious mystery/comedy opens April 10th at 7:30 p.m. at the Gem Theater in Etowah. The show continues on April 11, 12, 15, 17, 18, and 19th, and on Sunday, April 13. The Sunday performance is at 2:30 p.m. The cast is pictured below. Bottom row, L-R: J.W. Lee, Scott Rust, and Elaine Baker. Middle row, L-R: Bill Freeman and Suzie Murphy. Back row, L-R: Chris Dickhut, Jamie Cline, and Derek Cline.



Obituaries

Michael Lynn Buckner, age 44, of Calhoun died Sunday at his residence. The family will receive friends from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday at Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah.

WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 10.27 at 16,256.14. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 6.92 at 1,851.96, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 33.23 at 4,112.99.

◆ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

- ✓ The Etowah City School will hold Pre-K and Kindergarten Pre-registration this Friday, April 11th, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the school. Your child must be five years old on or before August 15th in order to attend Kindergarten and four years old by Aug. 15th to attend Pre-K. You'll need to bring a certified birth certificate, immunization record, and an up to date physical.
- ✓ The Cora Veal Senior Center in Madisonville will have their Spring Fling Craft Show this Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be over 20 craft vendors. Hotdogs, chips, drinks and homemade desserts will be for sale for lunch.
- ✓ There will be a 15-family consignment sale at Birchwood Elementary School on Highway 60 tomorrow from 9 to 4, Friday from 9 to 6, and on Saturday. For more information, call Becky at 423-454-9007.

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TODAY IN HISTORY – APRIL 9

- 1865** - Confederate General Robert E. Lee surrendered to Union General Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox Courthouse in Virginia, thus ending the Civil War.
- 1932** - Carl Perkins ("Mr. Blue Suede Shoes") was born. His biggest hit was "Blue Suede Shoes" He also wrote "Daddy Sang Bass," a big hit for Johnny Cash, as well as the Judds #1 hit "Let Me Tell You About Love" Perkins died in 1998 from throat cancer.
- 1940** - Germany invaded Denmark and Norway during World War II.
- 1945** - National Football League officials made it mandatory for football players to wear socks in all league games.
- 1977** - The Swedish group Abba debuted at number one on the American pop charts with "Dancing Queen".
- 2001** - American Airlines' parent company acquired bankrupt Trans World Airlines.
- 2003** - Jubilant Iraqis celebrated the collapse of Saddam Hussein's regime, beheading a toppled statue of their long-time ruler in downtown Baghdad.

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