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Athens, Tennessee

### Local & State News

#### ◆ GUN LEGISLATION MAKING ROUNDS

~The state House and Senate have passed legislation that will allow workers to sue their employers if they are fired for storing personal firearms in their privately owned vehicles parked on their employer's parking lot. In 2013, Tennessee passed a law to give handgun carry permit holders the right to store their firearms in vehicles on company parking lots regardless of their employer's rules on firearms. Even though the act had been de-criminalized, employees had few options should they be terminated for keeping a firearm in their vehicle.

~ Another bill that would allow guns in off-campus areas used by schools has passed the Senate and the House is expected to pass a similar bill soon. Currently it is against the law to carry a weapon on any property owned, used or operated by any school, college, or university.

#### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The MCHS J-Teens will host their 15th annual Community Easter Dinner on Wednesday, April 8th at 6 p.m. at the MCHS cafeteria. Meals will also be delivered inside Athens. You can register at Coordinated Charities, Goodwill, Sethra, Athens Housing, or the Senior Center. The deadline is today, March 25th. Contact Cindy Studdard at 745-4142 for details or to register by phone.

✓ The North McMinn Fire and Rescue will have a community open house on Saturday, March 28th from noon to 4 p.m. at the new fire department headquarters at 199 County Road 285. Home-made chili, drinks and dessert will be available.

### NATIONAL AND WORLD NEWS

◆ An Airbus operated by Germanwings crashed Tuesday in the Alps in southern France with 150 people on board, including two babies. The first images of the crash site emerged hours after the crash, which took place in a remote part of the French Alps. The cause of the crash has not yet been determined. The French Interior Ministry said the plane's black box has been found and that it will be analyzed in the coming days.

◆ Facebook announced Tuesday it is launching "On This Day," which is a tool that will allow 1.39 billion users to take a private peek back at what they were doing on this date in previous years. No need to worry about friends catching any potentially embarrassing status updates, photos or posts from your past unless the user owning the account chooses to share it. Users will also be able to easily edit or delete any cringeworthy old posts.

◆ Sen. Dan Coats, R-Ind, announced on Tuesday that he will not seek re-election in 2016. He stated that he believes the time has come to pass this demanding job to the next generation of leaders.

◆ Police are investigating an accident involving a school bus loaded with kids that plowed into a home in Blue Bell, Pennsylvania, Tuesday morning. No one was injured. The driver may have had a medical issue before the incident. According to a neighborhood resident, the driver looked absolutely lethargic and kept repeating, "I don't remember, I don't remember." No one inside the house at the time of the crash was uninjured.

◆ Celine Dion will soon return to the Las Vegas stage after taking a year off to care for her manager and husband, René Angélil, who has throat cancer and is on a feeding tube.

  
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### Students Offer Insight on Schools

Four students from the McMinn County Schools joined 300 of their high school peers in Murfreesboro earlier this month to express their view on issues facing public education in Tennessee. They spoke to the Tennessee School Boards Association Student Congress on Policies in Education. Shown in the photo are Michala Jenkins and Dylan Miller from Central High School, and Jessica Russell and Jake Murphy from MCHS.



### Obituaries

• **Lisa Ann Griggs Barton**, age 56, of Athens, passed away Tuesday at her home. She was a lifelong resident of McMinn County and had worked for many years at CPQ Color Labs in Cleveland. The family will receive friends from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday at Ziegler Funeral Home.

• **Fred Steve Cantrell**, age 57, of Englewood, passed away Monday at his home. He had been employed at J.M. Huber, retiring after 20 years of service. A private memorial service will be held with burial in the Wildwood Baptist Church Cemetery at a later date. No visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

**TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT:** U.S. stocks declined, closing down on the day as investors considered mixed data from several economic reports. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 104.90 at 18,011.14. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 12.92 at 2,091.50, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 16.25 at 4,994.73

#### ◆ BLUE BELL RECALL

✓ Blue Bell Ice Cream has announced a recall of three-ounce containers of strawberry, vanilla and chocolate ice cream. This is in addition to 10 frozen snacks recalled earlier this month after three people in Kansas died after consuming products contaminated with listeria. The outbreak has been traced to a production line at a plant in Brenham, Texas and a production facility in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

### TODAY IN HISTORY – MARCH 24

**1634** - Maryland was founded by English colonists sent by the second Lord Baltimore.

**1865** - During the Civil War, Confederate forces attacked Fort Stedman in Virginia but were forced to withdraw by counterattacking Union troops.

**1871** - American sculptor Gutzon Borglum was born. He planned and began sculpting the Mount Rushmore Memorial in South Dakota featuring the sculpted heads of four Presidents.

**1911** - A fire at the Triangle Shirtwaist Company factory in New York City killed 146 workers, most of them young immigrant women. The tragedy galvanized America's labor movement.

**1940** - Singer Anita Bryant was born. Among her hit recordings were "Paper Roses" and "Till There Was You." For several years, she was the spokesperson for Florida orange juice and was "Miss Oklahoma" in 1958.

**1947** - Singer Elton John was born.

**1954** - The Radio Corporation of America (RCA) began commercial production of television sets which could receive programs in color.

**1965** - The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. led 25,000 marchers to the state capitol in Montgomery, Ala., to protest the denial of voting rights to blacks.

**1975** - King Faisal of Saudi Arabia was shot to death by a nephew with a history of mental illness. (The nephew was beheaded in June 1975.)

**1990** - 87 people, most of them Honduran and Dominican immigrants, were killed when fire raged through an illegal social club in New York City.

**1996** - The redesigned \$100 bill went into circulation.

**2002** - A powerful earthquake rocked Afghanistan and northwestern Pakistan, killing some 1,000 people.