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Thursday, April 7, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

### Local & State News

#### ◆ ATHENS MAN DIES IN HIGHWAY 39 CRASH

An Athens man, 22-year-old Mason Christopher Broussard, was killed early Wednesday morning in a one-car crash on Highway 39 between Athens and Riceville. Trooper Brad Baker says Broussard was traveling south on Highway 39 near Hammonds Used Auto Sales when he crossed the center line, went off the left side of the road, and struck a tree. Trooper Baker says excessive speed appears to have been a contributing factor.

#### ◆ FIRE DESTROYS BARN IN ETOWAH

A barn on Vermont Avenue in Etowah was destroyed by a fire late Tuesday night. Units from the Etowah City Fire Department responded, along with the Englewood and Etowah Rural Fire Departments. (Photo by Lynn Ingram with the Englewood Rural F.D.)



### NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ Merle Haggard, Country Music Hall of Famer, died Wednesday at 79, on his birthday, from pneumonia. Haggard was a masterful guitarist, fiddler and songwriter. He recorded for more than 40 years, releasing dozens of albums and No. 1 hits, including "Okie From Muskogee" and "Sing Me Back Home."

#### ◆ ATHENS MAN TO CHALLENGE FLEISCHMANN

A native of Athens, Geoffery Smith, is planning to challenge Third District Congressman Chuck Fleischmann for the Republican nomination this summer. Smith will make his formal announcement next Monday, April 11th, at 6 p.m. at Shoney's in Athens. Smith served in the U.S. Army's 10th Mountain Infantry Division from 2011-2014. He earned a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from UTC and a Masters Degree in Public Administration from the American Military University.

#### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ It will be Professional Wrestling Night this Friday at 7:30 at Meigs County High School. There's three title matches. Four Meigs County Coaches will wrestle. All proceeds benefit the Meigs High football program. Tickets are \$10 for adults; age 3 & under are free.

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**WEATHER**  
Thursday - Partly sunny. 30% rain. Highs in the lower 60's.  
Thurs. Night - Mostly cloudy. 40% rain. Lows in the lower 40's.  
Friday - Partly sunny. 20% rain. Highs in the mid to upper 50's.  
Fri. Night - Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30's.  
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Thursday, April 7, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

### A Home School Field Trip

Area Home Schoolers Tennessee history class recently visited the historic L&N Depot in Etowah. Becky Hovater, Depot Manager, on the left is shown in the photo below conducting the tour.

(Photo by Sandy Brewer)



### Obituaries

- **Flora Land Adams**, age 97, of Athens, died Monday at Life Care of Athens. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Cochran Cemetery, with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.
- **Chester M. Farrar**, age 77, of Riceville, died Tuesday at his home after a brief illness. He worked heavy construction for 45 years, part of the time overseas in the Middle East. A private interment will be held in Colorado at a later date. Companion Funeral Service of Cleveland is in charge of arrangements.
- **Mason Christopher Broussard**, age 22, of Athens, died Wednesday from injuries sustained in a traffic accident Wednesday morning on Highway 39 West. He was an employee of Amazon. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Sunday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 1 to 3 p.m.
- **Clarissa Louise Duncan Bidwell**, age 40, of Decatur, died Wednesday at Erlanger Medical Center. Arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.
- **Deborah "Debbie" Kay McKeehan**, age 61, of Athens, died Wednesday at her residence. Arrangements will be announced by Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

#### ◆ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ Watercolor painting classes will be presented by the Etowah Arts Commission and taught by Dolores Hoffman in a six-week session beginning April 12th. The classes will be on consecutive Tuesdays from 6 to 8 p.m. until May 17th. The cost is \$95, which includes paints, paper, and brushes. Call 263-7608 to register.

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*In recognition of National Volunteer Week,  
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# StarrStyles

a fashion show featuring the latest trends from  
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**Saturday, April 9 at 4 p.m.**

Starr Regional Medical Center - Athens Cafeteria

- Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased at each hospital's front desk and Shop the World Gifts in Englewood.
- Drawing for Door Prizes

- A light meal will be provided.
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