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Wednesday, April 20, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

## State & Local News

### ◆ POLICE & FIRE REPORTS FOR MARCH

The Athens City Council received the monthly police and fire department reports at Tuesday night's council meeting.

Police Chief Chuck Ziegler reported there were 54 thefts in March, 31 assaults, 7 motor vehicle thefts, 5 burglaries, 2 sex offenses and 1 robbery. Police issued 518 citations for moving violations. There were 55 vehicle accidents in March, with 6 injuries.

Fire Chief Jim Dyer's report showed firefighters responded to 56 calls in March. Four were residential calls, five were vehicle accidents, three were trash fires, two were vehicle fires, and one was a commercial business. There were 11 false alarms. Damage from fires in March totaled \$67,200. \$50,000 of that was to a residence on Moore Street.

### ◆ WACKER HOLDS GRAND OPENING

Governor Bill Haslam and Sen. Lamar Alexander were among the officials who took part in the grand opening ceremony at the new Wacker chemical plant in Charleston on Monday. Company officials say they have come to Tennessee to stay, and they are already making plans to build an adjacent plant. The Wacker plant will employ about 650 people. The plant manufactures polysilicon, which is the raw material used in the production of solar panels.

### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The Athens Chamber of Commerce "Business Before Hours" will be held Thursday, April 21st, from 8 to 9 a.m. at Weichert Realtors-SEM Associates at 2306 South Congress Parkway.

## NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

◆ Donald Trump was the big winner in New York's presidential Republican primary on Tuesday, taking at least 84 of the state's 95 delegates. John Kasich won at least two delegates, and Ted Cruz was in danger of being shut out. Trump received more than 50 percent of the votes. On the Democratic side, Hillary Clinton won 58 percent of the vote to Bernie Sanders' 42 percent.

◆ Police are on a manhunt for the suspected killer of a 45-year-old fitness instructor and mother of three whose body was discovered by students early Monday morning inside a church in Midlothian, Texas.

### ◆ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ A minor earthquake measuring 1.9 was recorded Tuesday morning. The quake was centered about one mile northeast of Sweetwater, and happened at 4:35 a.m.

✓ The monthly American Legion Fish Fry will be held this Friday, April 22nd, from 5 to 7:15 p.m. at the VFW Post on North Congress Parkway. The cost is \$9.00 for all you can eat. Proceeds help to keep the big flags flying at Exit 49.

✓ Harry Hodgdon will present a one-hour seminar on American Constitutional History on April 21st and 28th at 1 p.m. at the McMinn Senior Center. The public is invited to attend.

✓ Friends of the Library invites the public to a farewell reception for E.G. Fisher Library Director Julie Forkner and Children's Librarian Brianna Hansen who have resigned and accepted other positions. The reception will be this Thursday, April 21st, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the library.

**Athens Lions Club**  
**Moo Run!!**  
5K Run or 1 Mile Fun Walk  
June 4, 2016 @ TWC  
6:30am Reg. 7:30 Racetime  
[www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/AthensTN/](http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/AthensTN/)  
Call or text 423-506-1404 for info

**RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT**  
**Western Sizzlin' Steak House-1804 Decatur Pike**  
**WEDNESDAY:** (11a-4p) Petite Sirloin, \$6.69.  
**SENIORS (55+)** Enjoy the Senior Buffet from 2 to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday for \$5.99.

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•LOUDON - THURSDAY 10:45 - 1:00  
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Wednesday, April 20, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

## 36th Annual Special Olympics

A total of 87 athletes competed in the Athens Civitan Club's 36th Annual Special Olympics this past Saturday at McMinn County High School. The contestants ranged in age from 8 to 75. They participated in several events, including foot races, the broad jump, and a tennis ball throw. The photo below was sent to us by Connie Bishop, President of the Athens Civitan Club. The photo shows one of the contestants in the tennis ball throw.



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## Obituaries

- **Brenda Louise Brown**, age 64, of Englewood, died Sunday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Etowah. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Serenity Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- **Jannah Virginia Boruff Hicks**, age 84, of Englewood, died Monday at her home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral Home.

**TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT:** U.S. stocks were mixed as investors continued to react to mixed earnings reports. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 49.44 at 18,053.60. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 6.46 at 2,100.80, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 19.69 at 4,940.33.

## Restaurant Inspection Scores

The following restaurants were inspected on March 28th:

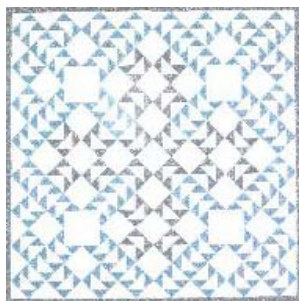
**Hong Kong King Buffet, Etowah - 96**  
**Pizza Hut, Etowah - 96**

Opening inspections were also done at **Depot Dogs** in Etowah and **Dixie Pig BBQ** in Englewood. Both passed the inspection to open.

## R & J Quilting

New  
Beginner's  
Class

Thursday  
evenings  
beginning  
May 5, 2016  
6:00-8:00pm  
(4 weeks)  
Cost \$20.00  
plus tax  
Sign up  
today  
Limited space



Rita 423-506-1900  
Julia 423-453-8856

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Goose  
Crossing  
Quilt Top  
Class  
Tuesday  
evenings  
beginning  
May 3, 2016  
6:00-8:00pm  
(4 weeks)  
Cost \$50.00  
Tax 4.50  
Total \$54.50



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Dr. Marius Bahnean, Choral Director  
Mr. Ray Calfee, Band Director