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STATE & LOCAL NEWS

◆ **ATHENS ESCAPES STORM UNSCATHED**
Most schools dismissed early on Wednesday due to forecasts for severe weather. However, it turned out that the predicted storms had more bark than bite in the Athens area. McMinn County 911 dispatchers reported there were no major problems other than a few downed trees. Athens Utilities Board says they came through the storms very well, with just two storm-related outage events. They were both caused by lightning strikes. Eighty-eight customers were affected in the Hilltop Drive area in Niota and four customers were affected by an outage on County Road 267.

◆ **ETOWAH EGG HUNT SET FOR APRIL 15TH**
The Etowah Easter Egg Hunt will be held on April 15th at 11 a.m. at the L&N Depot, sponsored by the Etowah Area Chamber of Commerce. Over 5,000 eggs will cover the lawn for children ages 2-10 to scoop up. Registration for the hunt will begin at 10 a.m. Bring your camera and have your kid's picture taken with the Easter Bunny. Prizes will be awarded in all age groups.



East Athens Baptist Church Sanctuary Choir
presents "Crown Him"
Sunday, April 9th 10:45am
The public is invited to attend.

National & World News

◆ Sarin gas was used in a weapons attack in northern Syria on Tuesday, Turkey's health ministry confirmed after autopsies were conducted on the victims. The death toll has risen to at least 72 civilians, including 20 children.
◆ On Tuesday night, North Korea launched a KN-15 missile from its eastern coast into the Sea of Japan. This is the fourth missile test conducted by the North Korean regime this year alone.
◆ Jobless claims fell lower last week, decreasing by 25,000, according to the latest figures released by the Labor Department on Thursday.

◆ **COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:**
✓ Registration for the Athens City School's Four Star Pre-K program will take place next Tuesday, April 11th, from 4 to 6 p.m. at City Park and Ingleside schools. The free program goes from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., five days a week, and is for students four years old on or before August 15th. Kids Connection and After School Care Program are also available. For more information, call 745-2863 or 745-1516.

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Church News and Events

- ✓ Again this year. Holy Week Services will be held each day next week starting at 12:05 p.m. The schedule:
 Monday - Keith UMC - Father Henree
 Tuesday - Allen Memorial UMC - Rev. Norm Beetler
 Wednesday - St. Mary Catholic Church - Rev. Les Rust
 Thursday - St. Paul's Episcopal - Rev. Charla Sherbakoff
 Friday - Trinity Methodist - Rev. Vant Hardaway
 Easter Sunday, Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. at Market Park Pavilion- Pastor Rich White
- ✓ Athens First Baptist Church presents "More than just a Man," a dramatic Easter musical, April 13-15 at 7 p.m.
- ✓ Allen Memorial United Methodist Church will have a Maundy Thursday Service and Holy Communion on April 13th at 6:30 p.m. On Friday, April 14th, you are invited to "Stations of the Gospel." You may come anytime between 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. for a time of self-guided reflection and prayer on Jesus' life, ministry, and crucifixion.
- ✓ Clearwater Baptist Church invites you to services at Athens City Middle School, 10 a.m., Easter Sunday.
- ✓ East Athens Baptist Church's Sanctuary Choir presents "Crown Him" this Sunday, April 9th, at 10:45 a.m. The public is invited to attend.

Obituaries

- ◆ **Shirley "Pat" King** of Englewood, died Tuesday at her residence. She loved to babysit children. Funeral services were held Thursday night at Wildwood Baptist Church. Interment will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Wildwood Cemetery. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- ◆ **Robert Earl Townsend**, age 72, of Cleveland (and formerly of Calhoun), died Wednesday at his home. He was a railroad conductor for CSX, retiring after 20 years. Funeral services will be at 4 p.m. Saturday at Smith Funeral Home, with visitation from 2 to 4 p.m.
- ◆ **James "Joe" Bryan Gaston**, age 61, of Etowah, died Monday at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.
- ◆ **Sherman Clark**, age 93, of Riceville, died Thursday at Hospice of Chattanooga. A Masonic service will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with a funeral service at 11 a.m. Saturday. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks increased amid positive economic data. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 14.80 at 20,662.95. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 4.54 at 2,357.49, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 14.47 at 5,878.95.



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