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Friday, March 15, 2019

Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

◆ SALES TAX WHEELS ARE ROLLING

The Athens City School Board has voted unanimously to support a sales tax increase to pay for school building improvements. The next stop is up to the Athens City Council. The council meets next Tuesday and is expected to vote on the first reading on an ordinance that would authorize a voter referendum to increase the local option sales tax by three-quarters of a percent. The second and final vote would then be held in the April meeting.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

✓ You are invited to a free Hotdog Cookout in celebration of March Extension Month today from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the McMinn County UT Extension office, 107 W. College Street in Athens.

✓ "An Evening with the Eagles," the North City School Talent Show, will be held at 6:30 p.m. this evening at the school, 1601 Palos Street. The evening will feature North City students, faculty, staff, and PTO members performing magic, music, juggling, gymnastics, and more. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$1 for students in advance, or \$6 and \$2 at the door. Children under 4 are free. All-You-Can-Eat Pizza will be available from 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. in the cafeteria for a low price.

✓ The Tennessee Highway Patrol will conduct a Sobriety Checkpoint Saturday, March 16th, at 10 p.m. at Highway 305 and County Road 218 in McMinn County.

Etowah Merchants Donate to Gem

The Merchants and Friends of Etowah have donated and installed new updated lighted Exit Signs inside the historic Gem Theater on Tennessee Avenue. The new signs are located above all exit doors of the Theater that was built in 1906. They were paid for by the merchants, purchased by the City of Etowah, and installed by volunteer personnel from Eaton McCaskill Electrical Contractors. The photo from Gene Choate shows Merchant and Friends Events Coordinator Maxine Jones (left), President Chanel Groomes (right), and Etowah City Manager Tina Tuggle (center) with a check to pay for the new lighted Exit Signs.



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WEATHER FORECAST

Friday - Clouds mixed with sun. 25% rain. High 62.
Fri. Night - Partly cloudy. Low 34.
Saturday - Periods of sun. High 54.
Saturday Night - Mainly clear & cold. Low 29.
Sunday - Periods of clouds and sun. High 58.
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Obituaries

- ♦ **Joan Inez McEachern James**, age 78, died Sunday at NHC of Athens. She was retired from A.E. Staley in Loudon. There will be no formal services at this time. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.
- ♦ **Helen Louise Payne Free**, 98, of Etowah, died Wednesday. She was a founding member of Cambria Baptist Church. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Saturday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 10 to 11 a.m.
- ♦ **Sharon "Pam" Bain Knox**, 69, of Madisonville died Wednesday. Services will be 7 p.m. Friday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

◆ ATHENS PARKING ORDINANCES

Angle Parking: On streets marked for angle parking, no person shall park any vehicle which has a trailer attached or which has a length in excess of 24 feet.

Two Hour Parking Limit: Drivers who park in Downtown Athens give implied consent to having parking control marks on their tires. Erasure or concealment of those marks is prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to move a vehicle with the purpose of evading parking time limitations to another parking space located within the same city block. The movement of a vehicle less than 30 minutes before or after the expiration of the two-hour limit from one space to another shall be presumed to have been moved with the purpose of evading the parking limitation.

Church News & Events

- St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Etowah will have a Seed Saver Exchange on Saturday, March 16th, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free seeds to all. Bring seeds to trade if you have them. St. Paul's will also observe Etowah Community Appreciation with a service and dinner on Sunday, March 17th, at 11 a.m. A meal will follow the service. The church is located at 425 8th St., Etowah.
- Felix McCullough will have a piano concert at Freedman's Chapel this evening at 7. The concert is free to the public.
- Billy Hodges will be singing at Union Hill Baptist Church this Sunday morning. The church is located at 258 County Rd 659, Athens.
- North Englewood Baptist Church will have revival services March 17th at 6 p.m. and March 18th through March 22nd at 7 p.m. The evangelists are Greg Watson and Mark Latham.
- Lane's Chapel Church on County Rd 264, Niota, will have a singing this Saturday at 6 p.m. Different choirs will be participating.
- The Cambria Baptist Church, 305 CR 875, Etowah, is having revival March 18-22 at 7 p.m. The evangelist is Tony Garrett.
- Voice of Deliverance Ministry Church of God in Christ will have their annual Family and Friends Day on Sunday, March 24th. Minister Alvin Earl Jackson will speak at the 11 a.m. service and Minister Ronnie Hall will speak at the 4 p.m. service. The church is located at 520 Old Riceville Road in Athens.

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TODAY IN HISTORY - MARCH 15th

- 44 B.C.** - Julius Caesar was assassinated by Brutus and other Roman officials. The assassins feared that Caesar's popularity would make him too powerful a dictator. As it turned out, his assassination turned him into a martyr. This day is known as the "Ides of March."
- 1493** - Christopher Columbus returned to Spain, concluding his first voyage to the Western Hemisphere.
- 1767** - Andrew Jackson was born in South Carolina. At the age of 13, he was fighting for American independence. In the war of 1812, he lived on hickory nuts and earned the nickname, "Old Hickory." He became the 7th President in 1829. The Hermitage near Nashville was his home.
- 1820** - Maine became the 23rd state.
- 1927** - Country singer Carl Smith was born.
- 1931** - D.J. Fontana, drummer for Elvis Presley, was born.
- 1941** - Mike Love of the Beachboys was born.
- 1956** - "My Fair Lady" opened on Broadway starring Julie Andrews. It ran for 2,717 performances.
- 1972** - "The Godfather," Francis Ford Coppola's epic gangster movie based on the Mario Puzo novel and starring Marlon Brando and Al Pacino, premiered in New York.