

Today's News...This Morning

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Athens, Tennessee

Local and Area News

♦ BIRTH CERTIFICATES FOR UNBORN BABIES

The state legislature has passed a bill that recognizes the sanctity of life. The bill by State Rep. Mark Cochran of Englewood requires the state Department of Health to develop a commemorative certificate of birth for parents who lose their child before he or she is born. Cochran says he introduced the legislation after learning that Tennessee does not currently offer a certificate recognizing babies miscarried before the 20th week of pregnancy.

◆ UPDATE ON GUNS IN SCHOOLS BILL

A proposal that would allow teachers and others in public schools to carry concealed firearms is receiving lukewarm support from Tennessee lawmakers. A House education subcommittee agreed to advance the proposal. However, the vote came after several key Republican lawmakers - including the chair of the House Education Committee - raised objections and warned they could not support the measure.

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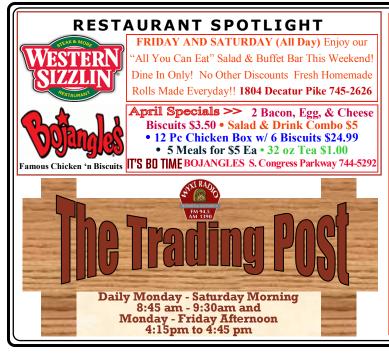
✓ The McMinn County Historical Society will hold its monthly meeting this Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse. The program will feature old-fashioned singing of Shape Note songs performed by Cora Sweatt.

✓ The Annual Etowah Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, April 20th at 11 a.m. at the L&N Depot.

PUTTING AT THE PARK

Now that spring is here, lots of folks are taking advantage of the "Putt-Putt" course at Prof Powers Park on Slack Road in Athens. Golf putters and golf balls are available for free checkout at the library. Peyton Eastman, program director at E.G. Fisher Library sent us this photo of patrons playing a little miniature golf over spring break.









THURSDAY, **APRIL 11, 2019** 11AM-1PM

Full Circle Luncheon featuring Abby Johnson Hosted by St. Mary's Catholic Church

For tickets, call (423)744-3005 or click https://www.eventbrite.com/e/full-circle-luncheon-ft-abby-johnson-tickets-56765307563

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Obituaries

- Jeri Aleta Witt, age 55, of Englewood, died Tuesday morning at Hospice of Chattanooga Care Center. She had been employed with Jiffy as a manager. A Celebration of Life was held Thursday evening at Serenity Funeral Home. A committal service is being conducted Friday morning at the Etowah City Cemetery.
- Geraldine Moses, age 70, of Cleveland, died Thursday. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.
- Ezra Hennessee, age 97, of Athens, died Thursday at his residence. He was a veteran of WWII serving in the 29th Infantry of the U.S. Army, landing on Omaha Beach. He also helped with USO shows, driving Dinah Shore to one of the shows. He later retired from the Martin Marietta K25 Gaseous Diffusion Plant in Oak Ridge. A funeral service will be Saturday at 7 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- Alice Mae "Cookie" Zimmerman Boyd, age 83, of Englewood, died Wednesday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. She was retired from Rico Chemicals in Morris, Illinois. A funeral service will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation from 12 noon to 2 p.m.
- David Bruce Mazza, age 74, of Athens, died Wednesday at Starr Regional Nursing and Rehab Center in Etowah. He was an Air Force veteran. He founded Athens Realty and later acquired the Coldwell Banker franchise. Graveside services will be at 12:30 p.m. Friday at McMinn Memory Gardens, with visitation from 11 a.m. to noon at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

Church News & Events

- A Healing Service will be held this Sunday at 5 p.m. in the sanctuary of Allen Memorial United Methodist Church on Decatur Pike. You are invited to come seek prayer for yourself or to pray on behalf of someone
- Rahel Landrum of Jews for Jesus will re-create the traditional Passover service and explain how it foreshadowed Jesus' death and resurrection in a presentation called "Christ in the Passover" at North Etowah Baptist Church this Sunday at 6 p.m.
- Eastanallee Baptist Church will celebrate 200 years as a church this Sunday with a special service. Governor Bill Lee will be speaking. The service starts at 10 a.m. followed by a covered dish dinner at 12 noon.
- The Englewood First Church of God, 1340 Highway 39 E., will present a "Ladies Tea" at 12 noon on April 6th. The guest speaker will be Pastor Vic Carroll, a former Las Vegas Entertainer. Music will be provided by Burna Gene Clark.
- The Hymnsmen will be in concert at the First Christian Church, 201 7th Street in Etowah, this Sunday at 11 a.m.
- Wesley Memorial UMC in Etowah will have special Holy Week services beginning Sunday, April 14th, at 11 a.m.
- Solid Rock Baptist Church at 4975 Highway 11 South in Calhoun will have a gospel singing featuring the Segos (The Next Generation) on Sunday, April 14th, at 10 a.m.
- -A revival at New Beginnings Baptist Church located at 1034 County Road 48 in Calhoun will be held April 10th through April 14th. Brother Anthony Johnson and Brother Benny Goodman will be preaching. Services begin at 7 p.m. week nights and 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Prayer will be held nightly 15 minutes prior to services.

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