



**19th Annual Cousin
Jake Memorial
Bluegrass Festival**

**Historic Gem Theater Etowah
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Local & State News

◆ SEASON ENDS FOR THE CHARGERS

The basketball season is over for the McMinn Central Chargers. The Chargers lost to Livingston Academy in a substate game Monday night. The score was Livingston 85, Central 74.

◆ TWC BULLDOGS HEAD TO TOURNAMENT

The Tennessee Wesleyan College Bulldogs have an 18-game winning streak as they head into the NAIA Division II national basketball tournament at Point Lookout, Missouri. The Bulldogs play Grace from Indiana this Thursday at 5 p.m.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The 19th Annual Cousin Jake Memorial Bluegrass Festival will be held this coming Saturday at the historic Gem Theater in Etowah. The festival begins at 12 noon and continues throughout the afternoon and evening. There will be five bands this year: Randy Waller & The Country Gentlemen, Jimbo Whaley & Greenbrier, Grasstowne, Highway 33, and Just Us. The festival's namesake, Jake Tullock, was a native of Etowah who played bass fiddle for Lester Flatt and Earl Scruggs for 17 years.
- ✓ The Athens Arts Center will host a high school student art exhibit opening reception tonight from 5 - 6 p.m.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ The suspect who fled the scene of a grisly crash that killed a pregnant woman, her husband and eventually the child they were expecting is meeting with an attorney and plans to report to police. Julio Acevedo, 44, claims he was speeding away from a gunman who was trying to shoot him early Sunday when the accident occurred.

◆ Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez has died from a two year battle against an undisclosed form of cancer. Chavez sought treatment for the disease in Cuba, where he underwent four different surgeries. The marxist ruler died Tuesday in Caracas at age 58.

◆ The Dow has never been higher as it surged past its all-time record high set in October 2007. It began to rise from the opening bell, climbed as much as 158 points early and closed at 14,253.77.

◆ On Tuesday, the world moved closer to tightening sanctions on North Korea for its latest nuclear test. U.N. diplomats said the United States and China had reached agreement on a new draft resolution to punish the country and in response, Pyongyang threatened to cancel the 1953 cease-fire that ended the Korean War. As tensions on the Korean Peninsula soared again over the February test, the U.N. Security Council held closed consultations on North Korea and non-proliferation.



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MORE LOCAL NEWS

~ A lightning strike at Congress Parkway & Decatur Pike, caused a breaker at the West Athens Substation to open and cut-off power to most of South Athens late Tuesday. AUB spokesman Wayne Scarbrough says power was restored in about 33 minutes.

~ The "Pick & Pay" Store at 102 Old Riceville Road in Athens was robbed at gunpoint around 8:30 p.m. Tuesday. A single male wearing a black mask and armed with a handgun held up the store. He apparently fled on foot.

CANCER BENEFIT

A benefit to raise money for Elizabeth Ward, a young mother of three, will be held this coming Saturday. Elizabeth has stage 4 colon cancer. A yard sale and bake sale will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Christian Covenant Church, County Road 616, Athens. Follow the signs from County Road 750. A chili supper will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Local Christian bands will perform from 5 to 8 p.m. If you would like to donate items for the yard sale, they can be taken to the church this Thursday from 5 to 8 p.m. For more information, call 333-5388.



Famed Forecaster Visits Athens

Bill Race, longtime weather forecaster from Newschannel 9 in Chattanooga, was in Athens yesterday. Bill has been giving the weather on WYXI RADIO since late 1987. He visited with us in our studios on Cherry Street. You can join Bill for a "Live Chat" about the weather each weekday morning at 7:30 on WYXI AM-1390.



TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks rose sharply, sending the Dow Jones Industrial Average to a record high. Fueling the advance was a report that showed the U.S. service industries expanded in February at the fastest pace in a year. Also supporting the broad-based rally were comments from China, which vowed to maintain its growth target. U.S. Treasury prices retreated with strength in equity markets. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 125.95 at 14,253.77. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 14.59 at 1,539.79, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 42.10 at 3,224.13. In commodity markets: The spot price of gold rose \$1.58 to \$1,575.35. The spot price of silver rose \$0.12 to \$28.69, and crude oil prices rose \$0.67 to \$90.79.

Today In History - March 6

1475 - Michelangelo, the most famous artist of the Italian Renaissance, was born. His best-known work is the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel in the Vatican, which shows nine scenes from the Old Testament.

1806 - The English poet, Elizabeth Barrett Browning, was born. Her best-known poem is the "43rd Sonnet," which begins: "How do I love thee? Let me count the ways."

1836 - Mexican forces captured the Alamo in San Antonio, Texas, killing the last of the 187 defenders who had held out for 13 days. Davy Crockett and James Bowie were among those who died.

1944 - Singer Mary Wilson of The Supremes was born. The group's hits included "Someday We'll Be Together" and "I Hear A Symphony."

1981 - Walter Cronkite signed off for the last time as anchorman of "The CBS Evening News."

1997 - Britain's Queen Elizabeth II launched the first official royal Web site.

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