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Monday-March 3, 2014

Athens, Tennessee

Local News

◆ PROGRESS CONTINUES AT VA CLINIC

With each passing day, the new VA Clinic in Athens is closer to opening. The photos below show the front of the new clinic at 1320 Decatur Pike a week ago and how it looks today. The clinic should be open by the end of March.



MORE LOCAL NEWS

◆ ATHENS SCHOOLS TO MAKE UP SNOW DAYS

The Athens City School Board meets in called session at 11:30 a.m. today to approve a method for making up days missed because of this winter's snows. The plan is to make up the days by starting school 30-minutes earlier from March 10th through April 25th and going to school on Good Friday, April 18th.

◆ ENGLEWOOD HAS NEW POLICE CHIEF

Englewood's new police chief will be Gary Miller, who will replace Darrell Wright who recently resigned. Miller has more than 20 years experience in law enforcement with the Athens Police Department and the McMinn County Sheriff's Office.

STATE & WORLD NEWS

◆ State Rep. Jim Coley is among lawmakers pushing for a law to make it illegal to drive in Tennessee while talking on your cell phone, unless you're using a hands-free phone.

◆ Secretary of State John Kerry says Western powers are prepared "to go to the hilt" to isolate Russia for its military incursion into Ukraine. Kerry calls it "an incredible act of aggression" that may lead to visa bans, asset freezes, and a boycott of a Russian-hosted economic summit of global powers in June.


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Etowah Chamber Winners

The Etowah Area Chamber of Commerce held its annual banquet last Thursday, and presented awards to several folks. Shown below, L-R, Top to Bottom: LaMone Rose receives the R. Frank McKinney Service Award from DPA Publisher Mike Miller; Marilyn Miller receives the Business Person of the Year Award from outgoing Chamber President Scott Cass; Tracey Partain of the Etowah City School receives the Joe Quirk Educator of the Year Award presented by Blake McCaslin (L) and Chris Zirinque (R); and Scott Cass hands the gavel to incoming President Russ Blair.

(Photos by
Durant
Tullock)



Obituaries

Shelby Jean Self Morrow, age 59, of Athens died last Tuesday. Graveside services were held this past Saturday. Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah was in charge of arrangements.

Willie (Widdie) Lee Jeralds Borden, age 95, of Englewood died Saturday at her home. She was co-owner and manager of Borden's Grocery Store for many years. She had also worked at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory and Ridge Textiles. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

Kenneth Wayne Oliver, age 77, of Athens died Saturday at Starr Regional Medical Center-Athens. He was retired from Textron after 20 years. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Athens Parks Department announces that the 2014 Daddy Daughter Dance pictures have arrived. They may be picked up at the Athens Municipal Building Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- ✓ Nominations are being taken for the Polk County High School Alumni Association's Hall of Fame. Nominations should be submitted in writing to the Polk County Alumni Association, P.O. Box 353, Benton, TN 37307. Nominees should have made a significant contribution to the community where they live.

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