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Tuesday, February 2, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

### Local & State News

#### ◆ ANOTHER DOWNTOWN BUSINESS CLOSING

In recent weeks, three Downtown Athens business institutions have announced they are closing or moving. First, a fire destroyed the Friendly City Auto Care building on West Madison Avenue. The owners are planning to rebuild on Highway 30 west of Athens. Moore's Discount Furniture store closed as a result of the death of the owner, J. Nat Moore. The latest longtime business in Downtown Athens to announce it is closing is Central Service Station on East Madison Avenue. The station was opened by George Laycock in 1932. Ralph Hester bought it in 1966 from Cuddy Miller. His son, Eddie, has operated it since the death of his father. Eddie says, to his knowledge, Central Service Station is the only full-service gas station between Chattanooga and Knoxville. He says the station is for sale and will close today or tomorrow. You can reach Hester at 423-506-8599.



### NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

◆ A defeat for Donald Trump in the Iowa Republican caucus. Ted Cruz won the caucus with 28% of the vote. Trump was close behind with 24%, and Marco Rubio rounded out the top three with 23%. On the Democratic side, Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders battled to a virtual draw, with the Clinton camp claiming a narrow victory.

◆ Federal investigators released thousands of pages about the fatal derailment of an Amtrak passenger train last year in Philadelphia. The mystery as to what caused the crash remains unexplained.

#### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ In celebration of African-American History Month, E.G. Fisher Library invites you to attend the first lecture in the Professor Nash and Principal E. Harper Johnson Lecture Series this Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Michael Thompson from UTC will discuss the Charleston, South Carolina, waterfront in the days before the Civil War.

✓ The Tennessee Highway Patrol will be conducting Safety Belt Checkpoints in McMinn County tomorrow, February 3rd.

✓ You are invited to see the Starr Mountain Quilts of Valor quilters in action this Saturday during National Quilts of Valor Sew Day at the McMinn Living Heritage Museum from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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in MURPHY, NC  
Departs: Feb 23 @ 9am  
Returns @ 6pm  
Cost - \$50 Due by Feb 9th  
\$20 Cash Incentive Given Upon Arrival  
423-745-6830

### RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT



Western Sizzlin' Steak House-1804 Decatur Pike  
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### WHEN RADIO WAS

Old-time Radio Shows  
6:05-7 pm Nightly  
**WYXI AM-1390**  
Tonight:  
**Fibber McGee & Molly & Tales of Texas Rangers**

### WEATHER FORECAST

**Tuesday** - Mostly cloudy. 30% rain & t'storms. Highs in the upper 60's.  
**Tuesday night** - Showers & t'rstorms. Lows in the mid 50's.  
**Wednesday** - 80% rain in AM. Highs in the lower 60's.  
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8:40 a.m. &

5:20 p.m.

Weekdays



Tuesday, February 2, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

## McCaslin Named Chamber Pres.

Blake McCaslin has been elected as the 2016 Etowah Area Chamber of Commerce president. McCaslin has served as a board member for the past five years. He is the Director of



Business Development for Starr Regional Medical Centers in Athens and Etowah. He has been involved with many community service organizations, including the Etowah Rotary Club, United Way of McMinn and Meigs Counties, and the Tennessee Overhill Heritage Association.

McCaslin says as Chamber president he looks forward to finding new ways to promote the Etowah community, businesses, and industries. The Etowah Chamber of Commerce will have its annual Banquet on Monday, March 14th, at McMinn Central High School. Steve Early, General Manager of the Vol Network will be the keynote speaker.

## Obituaries

- **Baby Brilee Adalyne Gail Buckner** of Etowah, died last Thursday at Erlanger Medical Center. She was the daughter of Will and Destiny Buckner. Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Restoration Church, with visitation from 1 to 2 p.m. at the church. Serenity Funeral Home is in charge.
- **Rhoda G. Gennoe**, age 72, of Ten Mile, died Saturday at Sweetwater Hospital. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Tuesday at Bowers Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 8 p.m.
- **Madeline Reattoir**, age 80, of Decatur, died Monday, at Rhea County Medical Center. Funeral services will be at 12 noon Thursday at Bowers Funeral Home with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday at Bowers Funeral Home in Decatur.
- **Catherine "Gladys" Bishop Burris**, age 81, of Etowah, died Sunday at Willow Acres Assisted Living. Funeral services will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- **April Necole "Nikki" McDermott**, age 30, of Athens, died last Thursday. Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Freedman Chapel Church with visitation at 1 p.m. M.D. Dotson & Sons is in charge.
- **Carroll Elwin "DJ" Norris, Jr.**, age 66, of Philadelphia, died at his residence on Sunday. He owned and operated "The Shack" restaurant in Niota and previously worked at Crazy Ed's. He was a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps. A Memorial Service will be held at Blue Springs Baptist Church on Thursday at 5 p.m. Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.

## TODAY IN HISTORY - February 2

- 1536** - The Argentine city of Buenos Aires was founded
- 1848** - Mexico signed the Treaty of Guadeloupe Hidalgo, which gave New Mexico and California to the United States.
- 1876** - The National Baseball League was formed, with teams in Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Louisville, and Hartford.
- 1882** - Irish author James Joyce was born. He wrote the novel, "Ulysses."
- 1887** - Punxsutawney, Pa., held its first Groundhog Day festival.
- 1890** - Charles Correll, the "Andy" of radio's "Amos and Andy" program, was born.
- 1923** - Poet and author James Dickey was born in Atlanta. One of his best-known novels is "Deliverance."
- 1943** - The remainder of Nazi forces from the Battle of Stalingrad surrendered in a major World War II victory for the Soviets.
- 1971** - Despot dictator Idi Amin assumed power in Uganda following a coup.
- 1990** - South African President F.W. de Klerk lifted a ban on the African National Congress and promised to free Nelson Mandela from prison.
- 2009** - Hillary Rodham Clinton was sworn in as U.S. Secretary of State.
- 2011** - Supporters of President Hosni Mubarak charged into Cairo's central square on horses and camels brandishing whips while others rained firebombs from rooftops in what appeared to be an orchestrated assault against protesters trying to topple Egypt's leader of 30 years.