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Thursday, October 24, 2019 Athens, Tennessee

Murder on the Train

The Gem Players reenacted a scene from "Murders on Main Street" on last Sunday's Hiwassee Rail Adventure. Amber Foster, Bob Holton, and Jody Boggess performed a skit that will be part of this weekend's Etowah Chamber event.
(Photos courtesy of Nancy Dalton, Tennessee Overhill)



Local and Area News

◆ **DISAGREEMENT OVER THE GEM THEATER**
There seems to be a struggle taking place in Etowah over the use of the Historic Gem Theater. For years, the Gem Players have presented plays and other productions at the theater. Several times a year, the Merchants Association of Etowah presents profit-making shows, usually featuring Elvis or other musical impersonators. The groups have managed to co-exist. But now, sources tell us that the mayor has changed the locks on the theater doors and is refusing to give a key to the Gem Players. The Etowah City Commission will meet next Monday, October 28th, at 6 p.m. at the Community Center to try to reach an agreement so both groups can continue to use the Gem Theater.

◆ **FIRE DESTROYS GIANT TREEHOUSE**
A Crossville landmark has been destroyed by fire. The ten-story tall Minister's Treehouse burned to the ground Tuesday night. The huge treehouse stood over 90 feet tall and took over a decade to complete. Horace Burgess bought the land outside Crossville in the early 1990's. He became ordained as a minister and began working on the project because he felt God wanted him to build a treehouse. The structure became a popular destination for church groups and tourists alike. The Minister's Treehouse was closed as a tourist attraction by Fire Marshalls in 2012 due to the dilapidated condition of the structure. No injuries were reported in the fire and there has been no word on the cause.

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Obituaries

♦ **Joy Faye Bottoms**, age 76, of Ten Mile, died Monday in a local healthcare facility. According to her wishes, there will be no formal services of visitation at this time. Bowers Funeral Home of Decatur is in charge.

WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. equities ended the day up slightly. The materials sector led the broad market, and the consumer discretionary sector lagged. Treasury prices declined. Interest rates rose.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 46 points or 0.2% to 26,834. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 9 points or 0.3% to 3,005, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 15 points or 0.2% to 8,120.

In Bond Markets, the 30-year Treasury yield closed higher at 2.25% and the 10-year Treasury yield finished higher at 1.77%. In Commodity Markets, the spot price of gold rose \$7.20 to \$1,494.70, and the price of crude oil rose \$1.35 to \$55.83.

MORE RESTAURANT INSPECTION SCORES

The following restaurants were inspected in August and September. A score of 70+ is passing.

- Hardee's, Etowah - 99
- Eatowah Café, Etowah - 99
- Etta N the Girls, Etowah - 97
- Little Caesars, Etowah - 96

Ribbon Cut for WeeZee's BBQ

A ribbon cutting was held recently for new Athens Chamber of Commerce member, WeeZee's BBQ, located at 2621 Decatur Pike in Athens. Those joining in the celebration are: front row, (L to R) Connie Woodcock and Holly Goines (Diplomats), Harriel Blair, Wanda Faye Latham, Elaine King, Sherry Scruggs, Drew Townsend, Tracie Scruggs (Owner of WeeZee's BBQ), Anita Scruggs, Karen Raby (Diplomat), Julie Simbeck (Chamber) Back row, Jessica Skelton, Haley Longwith, Lisa Harrison, Erin Blankenship, Chris Anderson (Diplomats), Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Jackie Scruggs, Fati King, Shelby Blae and Cheyne Collier. (Photo from Julie Simbeck)



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