

Community News You Can Use

✓ The McMinn County High School Boys Soccer team is having a Pancake Breakfast this Saturday in the MCHS cafeteria from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. The cost is \$5 for all you can eat pancakes, sausage, and drink. Proceeds help fund the soccer team at McMinn.

✓ The McMinn County Living Heritage Museum will be celebrating Black History this Saturday from 1 to 3 p.m. with Charles Moulden & Sam Venable. Sam and Charles will retell the real-life story of Charles Moulden being attacked in the Cherokee National Forest in 1968 just because of the color of his skin. The cost is free to Living Heritage members and \$5 for non-members.
✓ The E.G. Fisher Public Library will have a City-Wide Black History Month Fact Find on Monday, February 17th, between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Participants will begin their search at the Library where they can pick up the Fact Find clues and full instructions. The first five facts can be found on the African-American history banners displayed in the library. For the last five facts, participants must travel with an adult to various locations around downtown Athens that are important to our local history. Participants who come back with a completed fact find sheet win a prize.



More Chamber Awards

Ginger Robinson, a teacher at Athens City Middle School, was named Teacher of the Year at the recent Athens Chamber of Commerce Annual meeting. In the photo: (L-R) Athens City Schools Director Melanie Miller, Professional Woman of the year, Carolyn McDonald, Mother of the Year and Ginger Robinson, Teacher of the Year.







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◆ The 58th annual Etowah Area Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held on March 17th at McMinn Central High School. The event will begin with a "Silent Auction" at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$30 and may be purchased at the Chamber office located in the L&N Depot or by calling 263-2228. The deadline for reservations is March 10th. Awards will be presented for the Business Person of the Year, R. Frank McKinney Distinguished Service and the Joe Quirk Educator of the Year. The nomination deadline is February 20th and must be mailed to the Etowah Area Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 458, Etowah, TN 37331, or emailed to: director@etowahcoc.org

WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks closed higher. The energy and technology sectors led the day as the consumer staples sector lagged. Corporate news was light. The U.S. Treasury Department reported a U.S. budget gap of \$389 billion. U.S. Treasuries fell as yields rose.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 275 points or 0.9% to 29,551. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 22 points or 0.6% to 3,379, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 87 points or 0.9% to 9,726.

In Bond Markets, the 30-year Treasury yield traded higher at 2.09%, and the 10-year Treasury yield traded higher at 1.63%.

In Commodity Markets, the spot price of gold fell \$0.30 to \$1,569.80, and the price of crude oil rose \$1.62 to \$51.56.

How to Get Your Real ID Card

You've probably heard by now that you need a "Real ID" in order to travel by airplane domestically after this October 1st. You can obtain a Real ID by going to the Tennessee Drivers License Center on South Congress Parkway. The Real ID features a special star that appears on your driver's license.

In order to get one, you must show your certified birth certificate or a valid passport as proof of U.S. Citizenship.

You also need your Social Security Card or a payroll check stub with your name and Social Security number on it.

You also must have two documents that prove your Tennessee residency. The documents must show your name and physical address. Acceptable items include a current driver license or Handgun Carry Permit issued by the Tennessee Department of Safety, a current home utility bill, a current Tennessee Voters Registration card, a bank statement, or a current IRS tax return. If your driver's license is not up for renewal, you will actually get a "duplicate" license. The cost will be \$8. If it's time to renew your license, the cost will be \$28. You will receive a temporary license. The laminated Real ID license will be mailed to you. The Real ID will also be accepted as ID for entering federal government offices, nuclear power plants or federally regulated commercial airline flights.

If you decide not to get a Real ID, you can still travel by air domestically but you must present a valid passport at the airport.

