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Local & State News

◆ ARRESTS MADE FOR SWITCHGRASS FIRES

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search and development. Officials say the switchgrass that was burned could have produced more than



56,000 gallons of ethanol. The two men were charged with setting fire to personal property, with bond set at \$9,000.

NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

◆ Afghan officials say the United States has paid \$50,000 in compensation for each Afghan killed and \$11,000 for each person wounded in the shooting spree by a U.S. soldier on March 11th.

◆ Former Vice President Dick Cheney is recovering after undergoing a heart transplant operation at Falls Church, Virginia. Cheney had been on the cardiac transplant list for more than 20 months.

◆ Rick Santorum won the Republican primary in Louisiana this past Saturday. He vows to continue his presidential campaign even though Mitt Romney has 568 delegates and Santorum has only 273. The next key fight comes April 3rd in Wisconsin.

◆ NBC News reports that a psychologist warned Penn State University in 1998 that football coach Jerry Sandusky's behavior was that of a pedophile after he had showered naked with an 11-year-old boy. She wrote a report for university police involving the incident, but the district attorney did not file charges.

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Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The Tennessee Department of Agriculture and UT Extension will offer a Farmers Market Boot Camp to teach the basics about participating as a vendor in a farmers market in Tennessee. The course will include merchandising and effective displays, food safety practices, regulatory considerations, and sales tax exemptions and requirements. A boot camp will be held in Athens tomorrow, March 27th, from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Southeast Tennessee Trade and Conference Center at the Athens Regional Park. The boot camp is free and lunch is provided. Call 931-486-2777 to register.
- ✓ The annual City of Athens Easter Egg Hunt will be held this Saturday, March 31st, at 12 noon at the Athens Regional Park. Over 12,000 eggs will be placed on the grounds at the front of the park beginning at the lake pavilion. The hunt is open to children ages 12 and under, and children of all ages will hunt together. All eggs are filled with either sponsor prizes or with small pre-stuffed prizes. The Grand Prize will be a 26-inch HD LCD TV donated by Plaza Electronics. The annual Shoney's of Athens basket contest will be held at 11:30 a.m. In the event of bad weather, the Egg Hunt will be held Sunday at 3 p.m.
- ✓ The Athens Regional Diabetes Center invites you to participate in "Diabetes Alert Day" on Tuesday, March 27th, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the ARMC Conference Room. For more information about the free diabetes risk screening event, call Milli Talent at (423) 744-3249.

Obituaries

- Ida Lee Martin**, age 91, of Englewood died last Thursday at Athens Regional Medical Center. Graveside services were held on Saturday. Bordwine Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.
- Bernice Stanford Wattenbarger**, age 89, of Athens died last Friday at Wellington Place of Athens. She and her late husband, Archie, owned and operated the Athens Press Job Printing and also published the Athens Press Newspaper. She worked with the Tennessee Dept. of Employment Security for 30 years until her retirement. Funeral services were held Sunday at Smith Funeral & Cremation Service.
- Luther "June" Greene, Jr.**, age 81, of Riceville died Saturday at his residence. He was a retired laborer from Labor Union #846. Graveside services will be at 4:30 p.m. Monday at Upper Spring Creek Cemetery, with visitation from 2 to 4 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home.
- Opal Lee Cannon Proffitt**, age 74, of Decatur died Saturday at Sweetwater Hospital. She was a native of Athens. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Smith Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

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