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Today's News...This Morning

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LOCAL & STATE NEWS

◆ ATHENS AREA HAS ANOTHER "SNOW DAY"

Schools were closed, the McMinn Courthouse was closed, banks and factories opened late, and many other events were cancelled or delayed as a result of snow measuring between 6 and 7½ inches that fell in the Athens area late Wednesday night. The Athens Public Works Department worked through the night to plow one lane on the city's major streets. The McMinn County Highway Dept. began plowing county roads at 3 a.m. Thursday. Even so, traveling was difficult without a 4-wheel drive vehicle on many roads in the area throughout the day. The photo below taken at noon shows County Road 333 still in bad condition. (Photo by Cheri Harrison)



NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ The FCC has voted 3-2 to reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers under Title II of the 1934 Communications Act. Verizon responded with a scathing statement written in type-writer font to protest the Federal Communications Commission imposing "1930s Rules on the Internet."

◆ The FBI's top counterterrorism official offered a blunt assessment Thursday of U.S. efforts to stop ISIS from spreading its merciless message online: "We are losing the battle."

COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

- ✓ Area Schools will be closed again on Friday.
- ✓ The McMinn County Trustee's Office will be open Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Saturday is the last day to pay your property taxes before interest and penalties will be added. If you mail your payment, the letter must be postmarked by Feb. 28.
- ✓ The Heritage School at the McMinn Living Heritage Museum tomorrow features a historical movie titled "Athens 1940." The event starts at 11 a.m. Admission is free for museum members and \$5 for non-members.
- ✓ The Gem Players production of *Murder for Dummies* continues tonight and tomorrow night at 7:30 and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at the Gem Theater in Etowah.
- ✓ The Cherokee Beekeepers Association will host their annual "Short Course" in keeping honey bees tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the McMinn County High School cafeteria. Registration for this free event begins at 8:30 a.m. A light lunch is provided.

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 Saturday Feb 28 at 7:30pm
 Sunday Mar 1 at 2:00pm
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Church News and Events

- Journey Home, a local bluegrass gospel group, will be singing at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Nonaburg House of Prayer, Highway 39 east of Englewood. The group is shown on the right.



- First Sunday Worship and Fellowship at Cooke Memorial Ministry Center will be this Sunday at 4 p.m. The Rev. William H. Ryan III and the congregation of Greater Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church will be special guests. Refreshments and fellowship will follow the preaching and worship. The center is located at 714 Walter Street in Athens.

- The missionary speaker at Fairview Baptist Church on Sunday, March 8, at 6 p.m. will be Daniel Toc, who is with Evangelism Missions, Inc., in his homeland of Romania.

- The Knights of Columbus will hold a Lenten Fish Fry next Friday, March 6, from 4:45 to 6:45 p.m. at St. Mary's Family Life Center at 1291 East Madison Ave. Fried fish, slaw, hushpuppies, French fries and drink. Adults, \$8. Under 8, \$4. The public is invited.

Obituaries

- **Roy Benjamin Benton, Jr.**, age 71, of Decatur, died this past Tuesday. He was retired from Cappers of Knoxville and was the former Commander of the VFW in Cleveland. He served in the Navy during the Vietnam War. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Bowers Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- **Jeffrey Frank Lay**, age 58, of Athens, died Thursday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral and Cremation Services.
- **William "Bill" Master Spencer, Jr.**, age 65, of Calhoun, died Thursday at his home. He was retired from Bower. A funeral service will be held Sunday at 5 p.m. Sunday at Companion Funeral Home in Cleveland with visitation from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

WHAT IS THAT THING?

It looks a little like a visitor from outer space, but that odd-looking creature with the white dome head is actually a fire hydrant in downtown Athens covered by about six inches of snow.



(Photo by Richard Newman)

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