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Thursday, March 3, 2016

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## Today's News...This Morning

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### Local & State News

#### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The annual John Studdard Memorial Bluegrass Gospel Concert will be held this Friday night at 7 p.m. at the Gem Theater in Etowah. The annual Cousin Jake Memorial Bluegrass Festival will be held this Saturday starting at 11 a.m. at the Gem Theater. Tickets are \$25 for both performances, or \$12 for Friday night and \$18 for Saturday.
- ✓ There will be a selection of chili and soups available for you to enjoy during a meet, greet, and eat event to be held this Friday, March 4th, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse. The event is sponsored by the McMinn County UT Extension Office in celebration of March Extension Month. You are invited to this free event.
- ✓ The McMinn County Living Heritage Museum will have its Annual Rug Hook-In tomorrow and Saturday. The hours Friday are 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you would like to participate in the Hook-In, the cost for one day is \$30 for Living Heritage members and \$40 for non members. The two-day registration fee is \$55 for members and \$70 for non members.
- ✓ The Arts Center presents *Arts on the Side* at 12 noon today. The public is invited to bring a "brown bag" lunch and enjoy a free performance by the Tennessee Wesleyan College Chorale, an auditioned choir directed by Dr. Marius Bahnean. The group will present a selection of works prepared for their Spring Concert, which will be tonight at 7 at Mars Hill Presbyterian Church.

### NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

- ◆ An investigation is underway after video surfaced showing a school police officer slapping, kicking and yelling at a "young man" at a high school in Baltimore while another school police officer looks at the incident.
- ◆ Jesse Matthew, 34, who was charged with the abduction and murder of Virginia Tech student Morgan Harrington in 2009 and of Hannah Graham in 2014, has accepted a plea deal and will spend the rest of his life in prison without any chance for parole.
- ◆ A teenager critically injured in last month's Kalamazoo shooting has been able to open her eyes and look at her parents. Abigail Kopf, 14, was one of eight people shot during a series of shootings in Kalamazoo parking lots that left six dead.
- ◆ Astronaut Scott Kelly has spent his first full day on Earth after spending the past year aboard the International Space Station. Kelly landed in Russia and flew home to Houston, Texas last night. NASA will be looking at Kelly's physical health, including his bone density, muscles and cardiovascular system, to see how much micro-gravity has effected him.
- ◆ Defense Secretary Ash Carter has announced the military's first-ever "Hack the Pentagon" program in which "vetted hackers" will be paid a "bug bounty" to find vulnerabilities in what Carter called an "unprecedented effort to test our digital security."
- ◆ U.S. stocks ended on a high note Wednesday as investors focused on rate hike implications indicated by a positive reading of the ADP National Employment Report and rising oil prices.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of McMinn County for their votes and support during the primary election.



Thank you  
Johnny Johnson

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Athens, Tennessee

### Etowah Wins Best Water Contest

Etowah Utilities was recently named the winner of the Region 10 Best Tasting Water Contest sponsored by the Tennessee Association of Utility Districts. The competition took place in Chattanooga. Drinking water samples are judged on their clarity, bouquet, and taste. Region 10 consists of McMinn County, along with Bledsoe, Bradley, Grundy, Hamilton, Marion, Meigs, Monroe, Polk, Rhea, Sequatchie and Van Buren counties. In the photo, left to right: Steve Chapel, Ed Short, Harold Massey (Etowah Utilities), Brandon Frost (Etowah Utilities), and Dustin Henderson.



### Obituaries

- **Kathryn Marie Smith Swafford**, age 90, of Athens, died Tuesday at her home. A Celebration of Life Service will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Calvary Baptist Church in Riceville with visitation from 5-7 p.m. Serenity Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- **Lucille Kile Maxwell**, age 79, of Ocoee, died Sunday at her home. There will be no formal visitation. A Committal Service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Watson Chapel Cemetery. There will be no formal visitation. Serenity Funeral Home is in charge.
- **Virginia Bennett Walthall**, age 91, of Athens, died Tuesday in a Knoxville hospital. She had been an Army Nurse's Aide in WWII. A Memorial Service will be Saturday at 11 a.m. at Mars Hill Presbyterian Church with visitation after the service. Smith Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- **Leonard Earl Lockmiller**, age 90, of Athens, died Tuesday at Tennova Hospice in Knoxville. He had owned Earl Lockmiller Repair Service. He served 44 years in the U.S. Army, National Guard, and Army Reserves. A graveside service with full military honors will be Friday at 1 p.m. at Cedar Grove Cemetery. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

### SPRING ARRIVES IN 16 DAYS



Spring officially arrives in 16 days, but the birds think it's already here.

Jennifer Hardison of Athens sent us this photo of a cardinal she snapped in her back yard.



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