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Monday, March 28, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

### Local and Area News

#### ◆ ATHENS MAYOR IS WOMAN OF DISTINCTION

The American Lung Association in Tennessee has named Athens Mayor Ann Davis as its 2016 Woman of Distinction. The award will be presented at the 31st Annual Women of Distinction luncheon on April 26th in Chattanooga. The annual award recognizes extraordinary women who are making a difference in the lives of people every day. Mayor Davis was born and raised in Athens and served for 20 years as executive director of the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum. She was elected to the Athens City Council in 2008 and was elected Mayor in 2014. Tickets to the awards luncheon are \$70. Proceeds will be used to help fund research to prevent lung disease and promote lung health.



#### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

✓ The Athens Parks Department will host an umpire meeting for the upcoming 2016 Little League Baseball/Softball season at 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 29th, at the Athens Municipal Building.

### NATIONAL NEWS

◆ Four days after a terrorist bombing at the airport in Brussels, Belgium, authorities have confirmed that a Tennessee couple died in the blast. Justin Shults, a Gatlinburg native, and his wife, Stephanie, had been missing ever since last Tuesday. They had just dropped off Stephanie's mother at the airport when the bomb went off. They had moved to Belgium in 2014 after Justin was promoted to a managerial job with Clarcor, a filter company based in Franklin, TN. Meantime, Belgium officials announced the arrest of three suspects in the terrorist attacks at the airport and a subway, which killed 31 people.

◆ Bernie Sanders won Democratic presidential caucuses in Alaska, Washington state, and Hawaii on Saturday. Sanders says the victories keep open the path to his nomination.

◆ Republican Donald Trump says if he is elected president, he might halt U.S. purchases of oil from Saudi Arabia and other Arab allies unless they commit ground troops to the fight against ISIS.

◆ The Veterans Administration has proclaimed tomorrow, March 29th, as Vietnam Veterans Day. The VA says it is a day to express our tremendous gratitude and support to this generation of Americans through ceremonies across the nation. The commemoration recognizes all men and women who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces during the U.S. involvement in Vietnam—November 1, 1955, to May 15, 1975. Nine million Americans, approximately 7.2 million still living today, served in the military during those 20 years. More than 58,000 gave their lives in service to our nation.

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### It Was Raining Candy!

Several hundred youngsters had a ball watching a helicopter drop candy at the McMinn County Airport on Saturday,



and then rushing out to scoop up as much as their baskets could hold. It was the 2nd Annual Community Easter Candy

Drop sponsored by Trinity United Methodist Church. Jim Gentry sent us these photos showing the pilot about to dump a bucket of candy, and excited children gathering the candy.



### Obituaries

- **James "Jimmy" Nelson**, age 72, of Vonore, died last Tuesday at a local rehab facility. A private family service will be held at a later date. Serenity Funeral Home is in charge.
- **Virginia Ellison**, age 58, of Athens died Sunday at her home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.
- **Howard S. Bivens**, age 83, of Etowah died Sunday at his home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral Home.
- **Donna Wood**, age 57, of Englewood died Saturday at her home. Arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.

#### ◆ MORE STATE AND LOCAL NEWS

- ✓ The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has written a letter to the Tennessee Valley Authority after determining what is known as a "chilled" work environment exists at the Watts Bar Nuclear Plant. An NRC investigation found that some operations employees at Watts Bar may have not felt free to raise safety concerns. NRC officials say the letter, known as a "chilling effect letter," spells out the commission's concerns and its expectations that TVA fully address them and ensure that all Watts Bar employees feel free to raise any safety issues.
- ✓ Memphis police say an 11-year-old girl was shot and severely wounded by another 11-year-old who was playing with a gun. The shooting happened at an apartment. The girl was rushed to a hospital in critical condition.

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### TODAY IN HISTORY - MARCH 28

- 1797** - Nathaniel Briggs patented the first washing machine.
- 1893** - The first subway system in the U.S. opened. It was the MTA in Boston. (Remember the Kingston Trio's song about poor Charlie who got stuck on the MTA and never got off?)
- 1941** - Harmonica player Charlie McCoy was born. He has been a musician on many recording sessions in Nashville. He had hit records of his own with "I Started Loving You Again" and "I Really Don't Want To Know."
- 1955** - Country star and actress Reba McEntire was born. Her hit records include "Cathy's Clown" and "The Greatest Man I Never Knew."
- 1969** - Dwight D. Eisenhower, our 34th President, died.
- 1979** - A failure in the cooling system at the Three Mile Island nuclear plant in Pennsylvania caused the worst accident in history at a U.S. nuclear installation.