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Wednesday, August 20, 2014

Athens, Tennessee

## Local & State News

### ◆ ATHENS MAN KILLED IN I-75 CRASH

An Athens businessman, 28-year-old Sean Martin Bridges, was killed in a one vehicle wreck on I-75 at Exit 42 early Sunday morning. State Trooper Travis Ryans says Bridges' vehicle ran off the left edge of the northbound exit ramp and he over-corrected, causing the vehicle to roll at least four times. Bridges was ejected. Trooper Ryans says speed may have played a role in the crash. Bridges was a personal trainer and owner of the AIM (Athletes In Motion) Fitness Center in Athens. (Photo courtesy of Riceville Fire Department Chief Brandon Ainsworth)



## FITZPATRICK GETS 3 YEARS

Retired Navy Commander Walter Fitzpatrick will have to spend time in jail for his conviction on charges of extortion and aggravated perjury. A judge sentenced him to 3 years in jail with the stipulation that he serve at least 30% of that time. Security was tight in and around the McMinn County Courthouse Tuesday morning while the sentencing was taking place. The courthouse was ringed by police vehicles. Fitzpatrick had been arrested at the McMinn Courthouse on charges stemming from allegations that he harassed and stalked a grand jury foreman. (Photo by Jay Thomson)



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## Restaurant Spotlight



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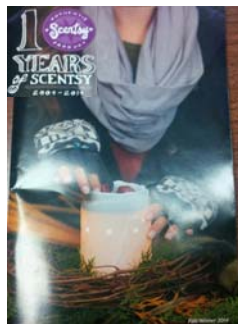
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**WEATHER**  
**Wednesday** - Partly sunny. 30% rain & t'storms. High around 90.  
**Wednesday night** - Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70's.  
**Thursday** - Mostly sunny. 20% rain & t'storms. Highs in the lower 90's.  
 More Weather & Zoom Radar at: [www.wyxi.com](http://www.wyxi.com)

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**Welcome Back To Ivy Gap**

The Gem Players will open their 22nd season with **Welcome Back To Ivy Gap** this Friday night at the Gem Theater in Etowah. Presentations will take place on Aug. 22, 23, 28, 29 and 30, and on Sept. 4, 5 and 6 at 7:30 p.m. and August 24, 31, and Sept. 7 at 2:30 p.m. It is the third in the series of plays set in the fictional town of Ivy Gap, Tennessee. Gem veteran Jamie Cline is cast in the role of Edith, who is trying to bring harmony back to First Baptist Church of Ivy Gap following the death of her husband, Pastor Charlie Ellington, due to a fire in the sanctuary. The photo below shows some of the cast. Front, L-R: Robbie Blakely and Jamie Cline. Middle Row: Amber Henry and Elaine Baker. Back Row: Alan Perry and Virginia Orr.



**Obituaries**

- **Steven Douglas Sweet**, age 85, of Ten Mile, died this past Sunday. He was a farmer all his life. Funeral services were held Tuesday night at Bowers Funeral Home in Decatur.
- **Frances Buttram Wade**, age 94, of Athens, died Tuesday at Starr Regional of Athens. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral Home & Cremation Services of Athens.
- **Billy Michael Webb**, age 57, of Athens, died Sunday at Starr Regional of Athens. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Conasauga Cemetery with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at Ziegler Funeral Home.

**PLANS ANNOUNCED FOR PUMPKINTOWN**

This year's Pumpkintown Festival in downtown Athens will take place on Saturday, October 11th. The festival will be dedicated to Scott Crisp who organized the festival's Native American heritage activities each year. Crisp died in a tragic accident earlier this year. Pumpkintown will feature music, food, crafts, a pumpkin carving contest, and a doggie costume contest. For those brave enough to try it, there will be a reptile petting zoo. The festival hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:**

✓ The Athens Tribe 10U Travel Baseball will hold tryouts this Saturday at 1 p.m. at the MCHS Baseball Field. This will also be a workout day for all returning players from this past season's 9U roster. Call Coach Trevor Burns at 453-0012 or email Coach Jon Franks at: [jfranks@mcminnschools.com](mailto:jfranks@mcminnschools.com) for more information or to schedule an individual tryout if there is a conflict.

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I especially appreciate everyone who worked so hard and supported me throughout the campaign. I could not have carried my message to the voters without your help. From the bottom of my heart, I thank you.

Citizens from across the district have expressed their concerns and desire for change in the criminal justice system. I commit to you that I will work hard and do the best I can to serve you and the position to which you have elected me.

Thank you for your vote and support.

**Sandra Donaghy, your Criminal Court Judge**

