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Monday, September 12, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

## Local and Area News

### ◆ BUSINESS NEWS HEADLINES

- Simmons First National Corporation has finalized the acquisition of Citizens National Bank headquartered in Athens. Citizens National shareholders approved the purchase agreement last Thursday. Citizens National Bank will temporarily remain a separate bank and continue its operations as a subsidiary of Simmons until it is merged into Simmons Bank. The merger and system conversion is slated to occur on October 21st.

- The nation's largest senior living provider, Brookdale Senior Living, is selling 44 of its facilities, including Brookdale of Athens, and facilities in Knoxville and Morristown. The transaction is due to be finalized on September 28th. The buyer is Enlivent, a Chicago-based company. The Brookdale facility in Athens will be named Athens Place.

- The Open Door Cafe in the Robert E. Lee Hotel in downtown Athens has been sold. The new owner is Beth Jaquish, who plans to offer dining where the pool tables are currently located. She also plans to have a coffee shop, sell ice cream, and have lunch service by spring.

- The Beanery Uncorked is now open in downtown Athens.

## NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ Millions of Americans paused Sunday to mark the 15th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. Presidential candidates Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton attended a ceremony at the World Trade Center. Clinton left early after apparently having a fainting spell. Her doctor later said she has pneumonia.

◆ Hillary Clinton has expressed "regret" for saying half of Donald Trump's supporters could be put in a "basket of deplorables." Trump called her comments "disgraceful."

### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

✓ The guest tomorrow on "Chamber Chat," the weekly radio show produced by the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce, will be Kavitha Reddy with the Athens Movie Palace. Chamber Chat is broadcast immediately after the 8 a.m. news each Tuesday on WYXI Radio AM-1390 and on-line at: [www.wyxi.com](http://www.wyxi.com)

**FOOTBALL SCORES:** McMinn County High 42, Lenoir City 21...McMinn Central 38, Polk County 7...Walker Valley 49, Coffee County 28...and the UT Vols defeated Virginia Tech, 45-24, in a game played at the Bristol Motor Speedway. Attendance was 156,990, the largest NCAA college football game ever played.

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## Obituaries

- **Vivian Frances "Fanny" Webb Harris**, age 73, of Athens died Saturday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- **Terry "Wayne" Scott**, age 65, of Athens, died September 5th at his residence. At his request, his remains will be cremated and a private family service will be held at a later date. Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.
- **Violet Lucille Miller Lawson**, age 92, of Athens (and formerly of Ten Mile), died last Thursday at Morning Pointe of Athens. Funeral services were held Saturday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.
- **Aaron Nicole Haney Cheatham Shipley**, age 37, of Miami, Florida (and formerly of Englewood), died September 4th. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Monday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- **Ellen Margaret Qualls Beavers**, age 88, of Athens, died last Thursday at her residence. She was retired from Schering Plough. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Smith Funeral Home, with visitation from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- **Jimmye C. Crockett Baker**, age 80, of Athens, died Thursday at Parkwest Medical Center. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Smith Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- **Jeff Wilson**, age 39, of Athens, died last Friday at Tennova Healthcare in Cleveland. He was a 1995 graduate of McMinn Central High School. A private family service will be held at a later date. Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge.

## More Obituaries

- **Bernice "Niecey" Sisson**, age 74, of Etowah, died Saturday at her residence. Graveside services will be held at 4 p.m. Monday at Green Hill Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.
- **Janice Susan Land Turner**, age 67, of Athens, died Saturday at Starr Regional Medical Center. She was a CMA with Athens Women's Clinic. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- **Betty Ruth Schouggins Dugger**, age 73, of Decatur, died Friday. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Bowers Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday.

### THOSE FRIED GREEN "MATERS" WERE DELICIOUS!

A big crowd turned out for the Niota Fried Green Tomato Festival Saturday. There were plenty of fun things, including a water slide and bungee jump. Mark Lefler of the Morning Fax staff took this photo showing kids enjoying the water slide.



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