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Friday, August 25, 2017

Athens, Tennessee

State and Local News

◆ TRUE FRIENDLY CITY HOSPITALITY

Paul McMillan opened his home to some of the people who came to Athens for the eclipse. Paul says he met them last Saturday, started talking to them, and found out they were in Athens to view the eclipse. So, he invited them to his house to view it from his backyard. They accepted his offer and even brought along some steaks to grill. They were from Ann Arbor, Michigan, Bethesda, Maryland, and Chattanooga. Paul took this photo of his new friends.



◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The group "Ranky Tanky" opens the Athens Area Council for the Arts Center Black Box Concert series tonight at 7:30 at The Arts Center.

National & World News

◆ As Hurricane Harvey "rapidly" intensifies, The National Hurricane Center has issued an advisory instructing Texas residents along the Gulf of Mexico coast to "rush" their storm preparations. The storm is expected to make landfall around 1 a.m. Saturday.

◆ A "disgruntled employee" killed an individual at a restaurant in a tourist area in Charleston, South Carolina. The suspect came back to his place of employment with a gun and killed an individual in the restaurant and held another hostage for some time. The suspect was shot by police and has been taken to a hospital in critical condition.

◆ Russia's ambassador to Sudan, Mirgayas Shirinsky, was found dead at his residence in Khartoum on Wednesday night. Even though there is no evidence to suggest his death is suspicious, Shirinsky is the fourth Russian emissary to die prematurely while overseas on assignment since the start of 2017.

◆ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The Grace and Mercy Ministries Spring Triathlon will be held tomorrow. Several streets will be occupied with runners, walkers, bicyclists, and spectators from 8 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Among them: Knoxville Ave., Woodward Ave., Forrest Ave., Ingleside Ave., E. Madison Ave., Slack Road, and Railroad Ave.

✓ If you plan to participate in the Athens Parks Department's annual Wiffle Ball tournament on Saturday, you must register today. Call 744-2704 for information.

✓ Tonight is the second round of high school football games. The McMinn Cherokees will host Farragut...the McMinn Central Chargers will host Sequoyah...and the Meigs County Tigers travel to Hixson.



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Church News and Events

~ August is Heritage Month at Fairview Baptist Church. The guest speaker this Sunday is Mike Kerley, founding pastor of Cornerstone Baptist Church in Crossville. He will speak during Sunday School (10 a.m.), in the Morning Worship Hour (11 a.m.), and in the evening service at 6 p.m.



~ Allen Memorial United Methodist Church is collecting gently used eclipse glasses which will be distributed by Astronomers Without Borders to countries in Asia and South America for the next eclipse in 2019. Just put your glasses in the cardboard box at the rear portico or inside the side entrance of the church. The glasses should not be torn or crumpled and the lenses should be intact.

~ The Russell Family will sing at 6 p.m. this Sunday at Glorybound Church, 446 Isbill Road, in Madisonville.

~ Haley and Delaney Beyer, singer-songwriters from Kingston, will appear in concert at Athens Christian Church on Sunday, August 27th, at 6 p.m. The church is located at 802 Matlock.

~ Everlasting Life Christian Center in Etowah will have its annual Women of Wisdom Ministry Conference and Dinner with Lisa Dotson on Sept. 2nd at 6:30 p.m. at Michaels in Athens. The cost is \$20. For tickets, call 506-9598.

Obituaries

◆ **Betty Jo Borden Wilson**, age 88, of Athens, died Thursday at NHC of Athens. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Friday at Smith Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 8 p.m.

◆ **Wayne Edward "Outlaw" Crisp**, age 58, of Athens, died Wednesday at his home. He had been a truck driver for over 40 years. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 9 p.m. Saturday.

THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks posted modest declines ahead of highly anticipated speeches on Friday by Federal Reserve Chair Janet Yellen and ECB President Mario Draghi. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 29 points to 21,783. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 5 points to 2,439, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 7 points to 6,271.

◆ MORE CHURCH NEWS

~ Voice of Deliverance Ministry Church of God in Christ invites the public to come celebrate their 16th Annual Pastoral Anniversary this Sunday, with services at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. and dinner from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

~ Beth Salem Cumberland Presbyterian Church will hold Annual Homecoming this Sunday at 11 a.m. The guest speaker will be Rev. Daniel Phillips of Cox Chapel AME Zion. Please bring a covered dish for lunch on the grounds.



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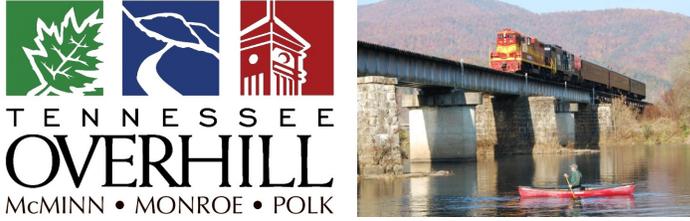
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