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STATE & LOCAL NEWS

BO JACKSON COMING TO ATHENS!

The man called the "Greatest Athlete of All-Time" by ESPN, Bo Jackson, will be the speaker for the Athens Area Chamber of

Commerce 12th Annual Benefit Dinner on June 9th. 2018. Jackson played college football at Auburn, winning the Heisman Trophy. He played NFL football with Tampa Bay and simultaneously played baseball for the Kansas City Royals, where he was named the game's MVP. In his eight baseball seasons, Jackson hit 141 home runs. In his four seasons in the NFL, Jackson scored 16 touchdowns. Tickets for the Dinner go on sale October 2nd.



National & World News

♦ Officials are allowing residents who live inside the 1.5-mile evacuation zone around an Arkema chemical plant in Crosby, Texas, to return home. The plant was at risk of exploding last week because of power loss that limited its refrigeration capabilities due to Hurricane Harvey and its aftermath. This caused organic peroxides stored in nine containers at the plant to become unstable and break down as they were exposed to the Texas heat.
♦ A Temple University student, 22 year-old Jenna Burleigh, whose body was found Saturday was determined to have died of the combined effects of blunt trauma and strangulation. Video surveillance showed her with a man around 2 am Thursday identified as Joshua Hupperterz, 29, who the university says is a former student. Hupperterz was taken into custody and faces charges including murder, abuse of a corpse and tampering with evidence. It's not clear whether he has entered a plea.

LOOK AT THOSE GAS PRICES!

If you can remember back two weeks, gasoline in Athens was about 2.00 a gallon. Thanks to shortages caused by Hurricane Harvey, prices have jumped about $60 \notin$ a gallon in our area.







Obituaries

• Eva Grace Frisbie Toomey, age 82, of Niota, died last Friday at her home. She was retired from Sweetwater Valley Nursing Center. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Tuesday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m.

Mary Lee Woody, age 87, of Ten Mile, died last Friday at NHC of Athens. She had taught for many years at Ten Mile Elementary School. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Bowers Funeral Home in Decatur, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
Charles E. Fairbanks, age 64, of Decatur, died last Friday at his residence. He had worked for the Meigs County Highway Department and Sheriff's Office for many years. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Bowers Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

• Aquilina Elloso Perez, age 76, of Athens, died last Friday at NHC of Athens. She was born in the Philippines and had lived in Athens for the last seven years. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 12 noon on Saturday, Sept. 9th, at St. Mary Catholic Church. The family will receive friends from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday at the church. Bowers Funeral Home of Decatur is in charge of arrangements.

• Jimmie Lu Choat, age 82, of Etowah, died last Thursday at her home. She had been a Pink Lady at Woods Memorial Hospital for 36 years. Funeral services were held Saturday at Bordwine Funeral Home.

• Mark Allen Branham, age 46, of Athens, died last Thursday at Erlanger Medical Center. A celebration of his life was held Saturday afternoon at Companion Funeral Home of Athens.

• **Gary Robert Kamp,** age 51, of Niota, died last Thursday at his home. He was an Army veteran. At his request, there will be no public service at this time. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

• Joseph R. Huckabey, age 41, of Athens, died Saturday. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Companion Funeral Home of Athens.

• Gladys Marie Henderson Harris, age 93 of Athens, died last Thursday. She was an employee of Athens Stove Works for many years. Graveside services were held Sunday afternoon. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home was in charge.

• **Harold R. McDougal,** age 62, of Athens, died last Friday. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Companion Funeral Home of Athens.

FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

The season opener for the University of Tennessee (25) was played last night in Atlanta in the new Mercedes-Benz stadium. Tennessee beat Georgia Tech by the score of 42 to 41 in double overtime. Tech dominated the game in most every statistic, but they turned the ball over twice which Tennessee turned into 14 points. The Vols never gave up and beat the Yellowjackets when Tech failed to get into the end zone on a 2 point conversion in the second overtime.

In High School Football: Maryville blanked McMinn County's Cherokees, 41-0; Sweetwater outscored the McMinn Central Chargers, 39-20; Meigs County rolled over Cumberland Gap, 42 to 6; Rhea County beat Walker Valley, 35 to 14; Tyner defeated Polk County, 36 to 22; Rockwood over Tellico Plains 33 to 13; Chattanooga Central beat Sequoyah 46 to 20.

♦ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The PTSD Support Group holds its monthly meeting tonight from 6:30 to 8:30 at Athens Lutheran Church.

✓ The guest on the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce "Chamber Chat" radio show Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. will be Amber Tillman with AIM Fit. You can hear Chamber Chat on WYXI Radio, AM-1390 & FM-94.5 and online <u>HERE</u>.



"Where History

Comes to Life'

Hours:

Tues - Fri

10am -5pm

Saturday

10am-4pm

Closed:

Sun-Mon

Admission fee:

\$3 Sr/Student

Members: Free

\$5 adult,

Upcoming Events Please call the Museum to register, 423.745.0329

American Girl Doll Celebrations @ 1:00 PM

*Bring your favorite doll

Sept 16: "The Life of Addy Walker" American Girl Doll Play & Cupcakes Cost: Non-members \$5.00

Sept 23: "An Authentic Tea" Tea and table etiquette Presenter: Elaine Newman, Majestic Mansion Cost: \$5.00 child, \$10.00 adult

2017 Quilt Show

Sept. 21-23 and 25: Receiving Quilts Sept. 26: 10 am Judging of quilts Sept. 30: 11 am Awards ceremony Oct. 3: 10 am Quilt show opens Oct. 7: 11 am – 12noon "Lecture on Amish Quilts" Oct. 14: 10 am "Sew-In" (no registration fee) Free admission in celebration of Pumpkintown