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Friday, November 23, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

◆ ATHENS POLICE & FIRE REPORTS

The members of the Athens City Council got the October activity reports from the Athens Police and Fire Chiefs at Tuesday night's monthly council meeting.

- Police Chief Cliff Couch reported there were 60 thefts in Athens in October, 15 burglaries, 15 assaults, two sex offenses, and one robbery. Officers issued 186 citations for moving violations. There were 97 vehicle accidents in October, with 30 injuries. Chief Couch reported there are two vacancies on the police force.
- Fire Chief Brandon Ainsworth reported that firefighters responded to 77 calls in October. Six calls were to fires, 32 were calls for rescue and emergency medical service, and there were 22 false alarms. Losses for the month totaled \$185,000.

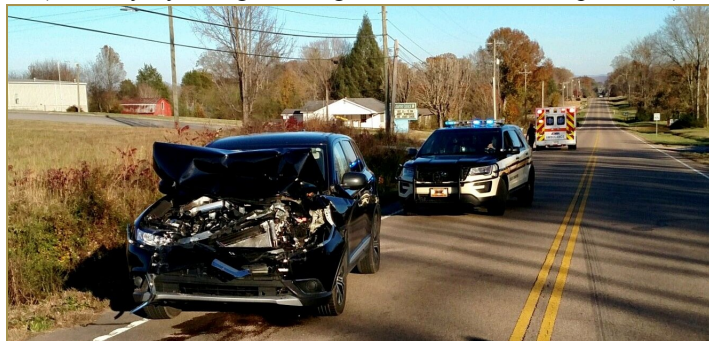
◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ Tomorrow is "Shop Small Saturday." The Athens and Etowah Chambers of Commerce are urging people to shop with locally owned small businesses. When you shop locally, your dollars (including local sales taxes) stay in your community. Both Chambers are holding a contest. They are asking you to take a selfie inside a local store on Saturday and post it to the Chambers' Facebook pages. On Monday, a random winner will be selected from those selfie posts, and the winner gets a \$1,000 shopping spree.

Wreck on Highway 39 Injures 2

A two-vehicle wreck around 3:30 Wednesday afternoon sent two people to Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. A 2018 Mitsubishi Outlander collided with a 2008 GMC Yukon on Highway 39 East at County Road 435, Englewood. One patient was transferred by private vehicle and one patient was transported by AMR to Starr Regional. The Englewood Rural Fire Department responded. THP Officer Alex Barger investigated.

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Ronnie Eugene Robinson**, age 63, of Riceville, died Tuesday at Tennova Healthcare in Cleveland. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 12 noon to 2 p.m.
- ♦ **Ray Junior Robinson**, age 73, of Tellico Plains, died Monday at his home. He was the brother of Ronnie Robinson who died on Tuesday. Ray worked for McKeehan Chair Company and Athens Furniture for many years. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Friday at Serenity Funeral Home, with visitation from 1 to 3 p.m.
- ♦ **Virginia Lee Payne**, age 85, of Spring City (formerly from Vandalia, Ohio), died on October 15th. A celebration of her life will be held on Saturday, December 1st, at 4 p.m. at the Wolf Creek Baptist Church near Spring City, with visitation from 2 to 4 p.m. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.
- ♦ **Edna Elizabeth Varnell Pickens**, age 97, of the Claxton Community, died Sunday. She graduated from Calhoun High School in 1939, where she was a star basketball player. She was a substitute teacher for many years. Funeral services will be Friday at 6 p.m. at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 4 to 6 p.m.

FOOTBALL: Meigs County plays Trousdale County in the semi-finals of the Class 2A playoffs tonight in Hartsville. Kickoff is at 7 p.m. **The Tennessee Volunteers play at Vanderbilt Saturday at 4 p.m. (ET) with TV coverage on SEC network.**

Church News & Events

- Pastor Jack Scallions will become Pastor Emeritus of Fairview Baptist Church effective January 1st. A special service was held last Sunday at the church, as the congregation officially placed Dr. Scallions as Pastor Emeritus of the church and President Emeritus of Fairview Christian Academy. Dr. Scallions will hold this distinctive honor after 45 years as pastor of Fairview and founder of Fairview Christian Academy and Camp Fairview. Matthew Herrell was installed as Senior Pastor and President of Fairview Christian Academy. Pastor Harrell and his wife, Crystal, have been involved in fulltime ministry for 22 years. For seven years, they were missionaries in Peru. Pastor Harrell will officially assume the duties of Senior Pastor on January 1st. The photo shows Dr. Scallions, left, and Pastor Harrell, right.
- Trevor Thomas Ministries will be performing at Pope Avenue Baptist Church in Athens on Sunday, December 2nd, at 6 p.m.
- Athens First Baptist Church invites you to "Hanging of the Greens" Sunday, December 2nd, at 5 p.m.



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- 2 take a Selfie
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