WEATHER FORECAST

Thursday - 80% rain and thunderstorms. High 49.
Thursday Night - 90% rain.
Low 48. Possible flooding.
Friday - 75% rain. Possible flooding. High 58. Rain tonight. Low 46.

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Athens, Tennessee

Big Plane Visits Athens

This Lockheed C-130 Hercules transport plane has been using the McMinn County Airport for military training. The C-130 has a wingspan of 132-feet. The airport runway is only 100 feet wide. (Photo posted on Facebook by John Gentry, McMinn Co. Mayor)



ATHENS POLICE TREAT DRUG OVERDOSE VICTIM

Athens police officers have treated another drug overdose victim with Narcan, and in the process seized numerous drugs. Officers responded to the Ingleside Motel on South Congress Parkway on Monday, where they found a 30-year-old female who was unconscious and had symptoms consistent with a drug overdose. They determined she had overdosed as a result of using heroin and fentanyl. During the investigation, they found various prescription pills and suspected heroin and fentanyl in the motel room.

Collision on Highway 39E

A 2013 Mazda CX-5 and a 1994 Toyota pickup collided on Highway 39E, Englewood, this past Monday morning. No injuries were reported. The Englewood Rural Fire Department, McMinn County Sheriff's Department, and THP Officer Eric Diaz all responded.

(Photos by Lynn Ingram with the Englewood Rural Fire Department)









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Obituaries

- William James Barr, age 56, of Madisonville, died Tuesday at his residence. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army. Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Hopewell Cemetery in Madisonville. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.
- Margaret Marie Sanders Martin, age 83, of Athens, died Sunday at her residence. Funeral services will be 3 p.m. Friday at Smith Funeral Home, with visitation from 2 to 3 p.m.

TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 75 points or 0.3% to 28,537. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 9 points or 0.3% to 3,231, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 27 points or 0.3% to 8,973.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Christmas break is about over for school students. Classes resume next Monday, January 6th, in the Athens City, McMinn County, Meigs County, and Etowah City school systems.
- ✓ A PTSD Support Group meets monthly at Athens Lutheran Church from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The meetings take place on the first Tuesday of every month. January's meeting will be next Tuesday, January 7th. If you have any questions, call 744-1605.

Recapping 2019 Big Stories

- The first baby for 2019 was born January 2nd at Starr Regional Medical Center. She was Karrigan Ty Hooper, daughter of Rebekah Hooper, of Madisonville.
- New State Rep. Mark Cochran of Englewood was sworn into office and State Sen. Mike Bell of Riceville was named chairman of the powerful Senate Judiciary Committee.
- Tennessee lawmakers passed a bill banning talking on handheld devices while driving.
- Carter Runyon, CPA, was named the Athens Man of the Year.
- Presley Webb, a student at McMinn High School, was named McMinn County's Distinguished Young Woman in February.
- Peakland Baptist Church in Ten Mile was destroyed by fire, just two months after the building survived a 4.4 magnitude earthquake centered near the church.
- A.B. Culvahouse, a native of Ten Mile, was sworn in as the U.S. Ambassador to Australia in February.
- In March, Jack Bryan, director of Miracle Lake, received the R. Frank McKinney Distinguished Service Award.
- In March, the Athens Chamber of Commerce moved back into their newly remodeled offices on North Jackson Street, nearly two years after it was damaged by a fire in July 2017.
- Trustees voted to close Hiwassee College in Madisonville due to financial reasons.

TODAY IN HISTORY - JANUARY 2nd

- **1788 -** The state of Georgia ratified the Constitution; the fourth state to do so.
- **1936 -** Singer Roger Miller was born. His biggest hit record was "King of the Road."
- **1959 -** Moscow Radio announced that a Russian rocket had been launched to the moon. Luna One never actually landed on the moon. It ended its mission by going into orbit around the sun.
- **1960 -** Sen. John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts announced his candidacy for the Democratic presidential nomination.
- **1968** Dr. Christian Barnard performed his second successful heart transplant.
- **1974** President Richard Nixon signed a bill requiring states to lower highway speed limits to 55 miles per hour or lose federal highway funds.
- **2008 -** Crude oil prices soared to \$100 a barrel for the first time.

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