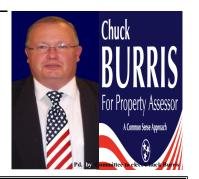


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Friday, February 7, 2020

Athens, Tennessee

Heavy Rains Cause Flooding

As of Thursday morning, Athens Utilities Board had recorded 5.25 inches of rain since Wednesday. And a few more inches fell on Thursday. All the rain caused a lot of creeks to rise and roads to be covered with water. (More photos below and on page 2)



The photo to the left from Mike Womack shows the footbridge next to Veteran's Park.

Brandon is Man of the Year

Jeff Brandon with Helping Hands Ministries is the J. Neal Ensminger Athens Man of the Year. Brandon was honored at Thursday night's annual Athens Area Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Other Awards:

Carolyn McDonald - Mother of the Year Jordon Curtis - Young Man of the Year

Ginger Robinson - Teacher of the Year. Ginger teaches at Athens City Middle School.

Dr. Melanie Miller - Business Professional Woman of the Year. Dr. Miller is the Athens City Schools director.

Jonathon Lee - Farmer of the Year. Jonathan operates Lee Farms in Englewood.

(We'll have photos of the winners in Monday's Fax)

The photo to the right, shows a tree which fell across the play-ground at Athens First Baptist Church.

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Stephen Pell sent us this photo of Mouse Creek overflowing its banks near County Road 197 Thursday morning.

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Obituaries

- ◆ James Rick Love, age 71, of McMinn County (born in Blount County), died Wednesday. He retired from AT&T after 43 years of service with several different phone companies. He belonged to several Storyteller Guilds and was the regional teller for the Smoky Mountain Storyteller Festival two years in a row. Receiving of friends will be Sunday from 3:30 to 7 p.m. at Mt. Harmony Baptist Church, Niota. Burial will be at 1 p.m. on Monday at Grandview Cemetery in Maryville. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge.
- Kenneth Paul Newman, Sr., age 82, of Calhoun, died Tuesday at Starr Regional Medical Center. He was retired from the U.S. Navy and TVA. Funeral services will be 6 p.m. Friday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday.
- Bernice Bryson Owen Minge, age 92, of Athens, died January 29th at Starr Regional Medical Center. She worked with First National Bank and then worked with the Tennessee Department of Unemployment office until her retirement. A memorial service will be conducted at 3 p.m. Sunday at Smith Funeral & Cremation Services, with visitation from 2 to 3 p.m.
- ♦ Etha Olean "Crickette" Adams Gregory Carter, age 98, of the Hillsview Community near Riceville, died Wednesday at her home. She was a former 8th grade English substitute teacher for the Madisonville School System. Funeral services will be 7 p.m. Friday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- Dwanna Matthews, age 38, of Niota, died Tuesday. She had worked at Sweetwater Nursing Center, Burger King, and Hardees. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday at Bordwine Funeral Home.
- ◆ Herman Boyd Davis, age 89, of Englewood, died Thursday at his home. He was retired from Bowater after 38 years and served in the U.S. Army in Germany during the Korean Conflict. Funeral services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at Wildwood Baptist Church with visitation from noon to 2 p.m. at the church. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge.

Church News & Events

- This Sunday is Boy Scout Sunday at Allen Memorial United Methodist Church. Boy Scout Troop 361 was chartered in 1970 and sponsored by Allen Memorial. Burkett Witt and Charles Allen Bailey were the Scout Masters. You are invited to join in honoring Troop 361 and the past and present scouting programs this Sunday at 11 a.m.
- Buddy Kinard is retiring as the Building and Grounds Manager for First Baptist Church of Athens. A reception for Buddy will be held in the church Atrium this Sunday immediately after the morning worship service.
- Glorybound Church in Madisonville will have The Carters singing in the evening service this Sunday at 6 p.m.
- A "5 Love Language" workshop will be held on Sunday, February 16th, from 5 to 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Athens. You are invited to come with your loved one, whether married or single. Dr. Gary Chapman's 5 Love Languages can be applied to any relationship. It's a way to "show" love to another. The cost is \$10, which includes dinner and the workshop. The program is open to anyone. It will be taught by Sarah Kite with the UT Extension Office and by First Baptist Pastor Bill Henard. The program is based on Gary Chapman's book and includes research from The Gottman Institute. RSVP to 745-2852 by February 9th.
- The New Speer Family will sing at Solid Rock Baptist Church in Calhoun on February 23rd at 10:30 a.m.



