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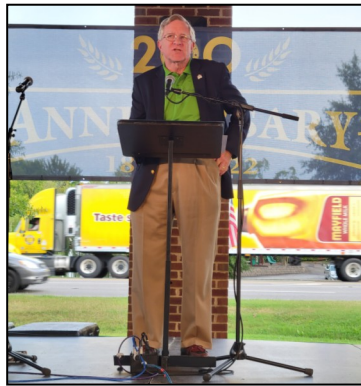
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A Tale of Two Athens Mayors

At Tuesday night's 200th Birthday Celebration for the City of Athens, two mayors made an appearance; current Mayor Bo Perkinson (Left) and former Mayor Burkett Witt (Right). Mayor Perkinson gave some of the opening remarks and former Mayor Witt was one of the guests of honor. Burkett Witt was elected mayor of Athens in 1981 and served as mayor until 1983. He celebrated his 96th birthday on May 26th. The Burkett Witt City Council Chambers in the Athens Municipal Building were named in his honor. (Morning Fax Staff Photos)



Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The gospel singers at Cooke Ministry Center this evening (Friday, August 26th) will be *Allegiance*. The singing begins at 7 p.m.
- ✓ The Meigs-Decatur Friends of the Library will host author George Hudson from Cleveland this Saturday, August 27th at 1 p.m. at the Library. Mr. Hudson will discuss his book, "Purple Haze". The event is free, and all are welcome. The library is located at 120 E. Memorial Drive in Decatur. For more information phone: 423.334.3332.

THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT:

Stocks moved higher. GDP revisions showed a smaller-than-expected downturn in the second quarter. European and Asian markets moved higher. U.S. 10-year bond yields were little changed. At the closing bell, The Dow Jones Average was up 322.55 to 33,291.78. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 58.35 to 4,199.12, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 207.74 to 12,639.26.

FOOTBALL: McMinn County Cherokees travel to Cleveland to play the Cleveland Blue Raiders. Game time is 7:30 p.m. tonight.

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Obituaries

♦ **Judi Cunningham Griffith**, age 76, of Athens, passed away Tuesday, August 23rd at her home. She was a native of Athens. She taught high school history in Memphis and taught at City Park School for over 20 years before retiring in 2009. There will be a private funeral service. Visitation will be on Tuesday, August 30th at 5 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is in charge.

♦ **Marie Katherine 'Kathy' Colbaugh**, age 66, of Athens, passed away Wednesday, August 24th at Parkwest Medical Center in Knoxville. She was a native of Evansville, IN and longtime resident of Benton. A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, August 28th at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will follow at Spring City Cemetery. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **Kay Diane Ledford**, age 75, of Decatur, passed away Wednesday, August 24th. She was born and raised in Berwick, Pennsylvania and was also a former resident of Dayton. She was an adjunct professor of history at Bryan College and also taught school at Dayton City School for 3 years. She retired from the Meigs County School System after 25 years of service. She also served as an adult and dual enrollment instructor of computer science at Meigs County High School and Cleveland Community College. A funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, August 27th at Decatur United Methodist Church with visitation from noon to 1 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will follow in the Decatur Cemetery. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is in charge.

♦ **Neda Marie Kennedy Clark**, age 85, of Athens, passed away Wednesday, August 24th at her granddaughter's house in Lenoir City. She was a native of Athens and lifelong resident of McMinn County. A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Monday, August 29th at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. prior to the service. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.

Church News & Events

- Kevin Spencer will be singing at Solid Rock Baptist Church located at 4975 US-11 in Calhoun on August 28th at 6 p.m. Everyone's Welcome.

- If you or someone you know is battling addiction, struggling with anger, or other life issues, Planted In Christ Outreach Fellowship, 317 Maple Street, in Athens, invites you to attend Outreach Deliverance Classes every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

- Voice of Deliverance Ministry will have a 50/50 Celebration, celebrating the 21st Church and Pastoral Anniversary on Sunday Aug 28th at 11 a.m. Bishop Jonathan Woods, from All Nations Church in Fairfield, AL will be the speaker. Superintendent James Summers, from Restoration and Deliverance Church in Morrow, GA will be the speaker at 4 p.m. Dinner will be served after the 11 a.m. service. Everyone is invited and welcome. Please come help us celebrate Pastor Larry W. Saunders. The church is located at 520 Old Riceville Road in Athens.

- If you have suffered the loss of a loved one, Mars Hill Presbyterian Church of Athens now offers a Griefshare program each Sunday at 2:00 p.m. For more information call 423-829-5052.

- Celebrate Recovery meets at the following churches: The Englewood Church of God every Sunday at 6 p.m. and Woodward Avenue Church of God every Tuesday at 6 p.m.

- Crossroads Tabernacle in Greenback is having a 3 day revival beginning Thursday, September 1st through Saturday September 3rd at 7 p.m. nightly. There will be different singers and preachers each night. Homecoming is Sunday September 4th beginning at 10 a.m. Lunch will be served around 1 p.m. Afternoon service follows and evening meal will be around 4 p.m. Evening service starts at 6:30 p.m. Crossroads Tabernacle is located at 5728 Old Niles Ferry Road in Greenback.



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