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Athens, Tennessee

Shade Tree Service Ribbon Cutting

A ribbon cutting was celebrated recently for new Athens Area Chamber of Commerce member, Shade Tree Service and Repair, located at 117 N. White Street, Athens. Chamber friends joining the celebration and pictured here left to right are: Lisa Rhea (Chamber Diplomat), Karen Sullivan (Athens Chamber), Kenny Vaughn (Owner Shade Tree Service and Repair), Maelee Vaughn, LeAnne Vaughn (Owner Shade Tree Service and Repair), Chase Vaughn, Traci White (Chamber Diplomat), Michelle Schumacher. Back: Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Larea Graves (Chamber Diplomat), Hunter Starr (Chamber Diplomat), Doug Bailey (Chamber Diplomat), Stephanie Devine.



Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The Athens City Council has named two new members to the Athens Utilities Board of Directors. Shirley Woodcock will serve a four year term. She replaces the late Bob Sevigny. Patti Greek will complete the 1 year term left by Lisa Dotson who recently resigned from the board.
- ✓ Tennessee Wesleyan University ranked No. 16 in the Regional Colleges South category according to U.S. News and World Report. They are up three spots from last year's edition. It also marks another year of continuous improvement, as TWU came in at No. 23 in the 2020-21 rankings. U.S. News rankings include over 1,500 institutions and are determined by 17 measures of academic quality, including graduation and retention rates, faculty resources, student excellence, and more. The full list of factors and methodology for rankings is available at: usnews.com/education/best-colleges/articles/how-us-news-calculated-the-rankings
- ✓ Etowah Special Needs Baseball event is September 27th, October 4th and 6th at 6 p.m. at the 7th Street Ballfield; beside Etowah City School Gym. This is for ages 8 to 99 years and is designed for children and adults with mental and physical needs. No equipment is needed, and a soft/rubbersized ball will be used for safety. Call Tracy Miller at 423-506-7111 to register.
- ✓ The McMinn County High School Class of 1962 is having a 60th Reunion at the Banquet room of the Silver Springs Vineyards on October 22nd. Please call George Tuell at 423-506-3869 if you can assist with locating classmates.

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*25th Anniversary Giveaway Rules & Regulations. The drawing is open to all legal residents over the age of 18 except for PBET Board of Directors, employees and their immediate family. Drawing entry forms will be available in all PBET branch locations from Friday, September 9, 2022 through Friday, September 23, 2022. There is no limit on the number of entries. No purchase or new account is necessary to enter. PBET will determine the prizes offered for any given opportunity. PBET reserves the right to add or substitute prizes. The entry window officially ends at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 23, 2022. A random drawing will be held on Monday, September 26th, 2022. All prizes will be awarded in person, winners must collect their prize no later than Friday, September 30, 2022. Contest sponsored by Peoples Bank of East Tennessee, 4511 Highway 411, Madisonville, TN 37354. PBET reserves the right to disqualify the holder of the entry form if the drawing rules are violated. Winners are responsible for all federal, state, and municipal taxes if applicable. IRS reporting may apply. Winners will be required to sign a release allowing PBET to use their name and likeness for future promotional purposes. A list of winners can be obtained from PBET, 4511 Highway 411, Madisonville, TN 37354. Contest void, where prohibited by law.

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

♦ **Oleda Jean DeBord Begley**, age 88, of Etowah, passed away Wednesday, September 21st at her daughter's home. She was a native of Hawkins County and has lived in McMinn County since 1959. She retired from Athens Products. A funeral service will be at 12 p.m., Saturday, September 24th at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will follow the service in Green Hill Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **Linda Scarbrough Walker King**, age 75, of Athens, passed away Monday, September 19th at West Hills Health and Rehab of Knoxville. She was a native of Athens and a resident of Knoxville for 12 years. She worked in retail and furniture sales in Athens and Knoxville, including 15 years with McSpadden Furniture before she joined Fowler's Furniture in Knoxville. A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, October 1st at Morgan Upper Spring Creek Cemetery. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **Daniel "Danny" Lee Swafford**, age 62, of Riceville, passed away Monday, September 19th at his residence. He was a native of Warren, MI and resident of Riceville most of his life. He was employed for more than 40 years in construction, mostly in the craft of Iron Work. He worked part-time at Benton Wrecker Service. A memorial service will be at 4 p.m. Friday, September 23rd at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

♦ **Sarah Faith Goins**, age 2 months, of Niota, passed away Monday, September 19th at her home. A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Monday, September 26th at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from noon to 2 p.m. prior to the service. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **Thomas "T.R". Moates**, age 88, of Etowah, passed away Thursday, September 22nd. Arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah.

♦ **Oneta Stewart Wright**, age 90, of Athens, passed away Thursday, September 22nd at NHC of Athens. She was a lifelong resident of McMinn County. She was co-owner of Grace Peek Florist for many years. A graveside service will be at 3 p.m. Friday (today), September 23rd at McMinn Memory Gardens. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is in charge.

Church News and Events

- Athens Lutheran Church will be having services in the public pavilion at Athens Regional Park, September 25th. Bible study starts at 9:15 a.m. and worship is at 10:30 a.m. followed by food, fellowship and games for the children. Everyone is 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.

- Goodsprings Baptist Church is hosting "150 Years of Goodsprings: A celebration of God's goodness" Sunday, September 25th. The service begins at 10 a.m. followed by a potluck lunch at the church located at the intersection of county roads 660 & 609.

- Wetmore Baptist Church is having a blood drive Saturday, September 24th from 11am to 4 pm. at the church parking lot at 9801 Hwy 411 in Delano. Donors will receive a 9-11 T shirt.

- 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.

- The Life Chain will be held on Sunday October 2nd from 2 to 3 p.m. on Hwy 68, Tellico Plains. This is a silent prayerful protest of abortion held for 30+ years in defense of the unborn. For info, contact Alda Roberts at 261.2322 or Laverne Davis at 261.2295.

- 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.

- **Street Revival** will be at Solid Rock Baptist Church, Sunday, October 2nd at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

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