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Meadow Branch Landfill Update

Help is apparently on the way to help with the significant odor problem generated by the Meadow Branch Landfill on County Road 166, that has plagued residents in that area for years. McMinn County Mayor John Gentry says that the County has signed a contract with a company known as Envirosuite that uses high technology to map windspeed and direction to determine where an odor is coming from. According to Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, earlier this year the Meadow Branch Landfill underwent Tier 2 gas testing and analysis. The Tennessee Division of Air Pollution Control calculated the NMOC emissions for the entire site to be well over the limit. According to a company official the landfill has until September 1st, 2023 to submit a gas collection and control design plan and install and operate a regulated gas collection and control system. People living in the area say they are excited that the county and the state are making moves to eliminate the odor problem in their area. More information is available from partner: newschannel9.com

Chamber Ribbon Cutting for Grace & Mercy Ministries

A ribbon cutting was celebrated recently for Athens Area Chamber of Commerce member, Grace & Mercy Ministries, located at 714 Walter St., Athens. Chamber friends joining the celebration and pictured here left to right are: Missy Gooch, Chuck Poe, Judy Barnett, and Shelley Roberts, Grace & Mercy Board members; Tanya Murphy, Grace & Mercy Director; Brenda Lowe and Rob Preston, Grace & Mercy Board members. Back: Lisa Rhea, Chamber Diplomat; Larry Eaton, Athens City Councilman; Megan Church, Chamber Diplomat; Kellie Collins, Dick Pelley, Athens City Councilman; Michelle Schumacher, The Daily Post-Athenian.



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Obituaries

- ✓ **Mary Ellen McCamish Davis**, age 82, of Riceville passed away Sunday, December 11th at her home. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17th at Solid Rock Baptist Church with interment to follow at Chestuee Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 12 noon Saturday at the church. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.
- ✓ **Patricia Cox Posey**, age 76, of Georgetown, passed away Sunday, December 11th. A funeral service will be Wednesday, December 21st at 11 a.m. at Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Interment will follow in the Cofer Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, December 20th at Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services.
- ✓ **Joy Aileen Watson Martin**, age 73 of Athens, passed away Wednesday, December 14th. Arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home
- ✓ **Wayne Homer Byers**, age 86 of Athens, passed away Tuesday, December 13th at his residence. He was a native of Mineral Bluff, Ga., resident of McMinn County for 40 years. He was an avid golfer and also loved putting about on his tractor. A funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, December 20th at St. Mary's Catholic Church. A graveside service will be as 12 noon on Wednesday, December 21st at Union Cemetery in Mineral Bluff, GA. in officiating. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge.
- ✓ **Taylor Elizabeth Huff**, age 28, passed away December 11th in Frankfort, KY. She was a graduate of the 2012 class of McMinn County High School. She had been a resident of Lawrenceburg, KY for the past 3 years. Visitation will be from 12 p.m. – 2 p.m., Saturday, December 17th at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT: Equities closed lower. Weak retail-sales figures added to the sour mood. Ten-year Treasury yields moved lower along with oil prices. At the closing bell the Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 764.13 to 33,202.22. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 99.57 to 3,895.75, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 360.36 to 10,810.53.

Church News and Events

- A Christmas Nativity Musical, "His Name Is Jesus", will be presented by Solid Rock Baptist Church, Sunday, December 18th at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome.
- North Etowah Baptist Church presents the Christmas musical "A Promise Kept" on Sunday, December 18th at 11 a.m. Our children will present special music during the 6 p.m. service.
- 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.
- 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.
- Calhoun United Methodist Church will have a live walk thru Nativity, Friday, December 16th from 5-9p.m. Experience the town of Bethlehem on your way to the manger. The church sanctuary will be open to see its beauty at Christmas and cookies and hot chocolate will be served in the gazebo in the church garden. Everyone is welcome.
- Conasauga Baptist Church invites you to their Christmas Play "S.O.S. Christmas", on December 18th at 6 p.m. located at 649 Co Rd 475 (Old Mecca Pike) in Etowah. Everyone is Welcome. There will be finger foods afterwards.

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