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Thursday, May 25, 2023

Athens, Tennessee

## 4th of July Fireworks is a GO!!

Last evening, the Athens City Council held a special called meeting regarding the 4th of July fireworks that had been canceled. Vice Mayor Larry Eaton requested that the city council have a called meeting. It takes two council members to request a special called meeting or the Mayor can also request a special meeting. It was unanimously approved to have the meeting by all council personnel. The council voted 4-0 to fund the fireworks along with donations being requested to help with the cost. Council Member Frances Witt- McMahan was not present but was in full support. The fireworks will be open to the public inside the park this year and it will be a 20-minute show. It will also be broadcast on the radio with patriotic music, as in the past. The park will be completely open to the public to enjoy the celebrations of our in-

## Community News You Can Use

The City of Athens Public Works Department announces the following street closures for MooFest: Madison Avenue from Hill Street to Green Street Washington Avenue from Hill Street to Green Street Hornsby Street from Church Street to Long Street White Street from College Street to Bank Street N. Jackson Street from College Street to Highway 30 Long Street from Washington Avenue to Madison Avenue Baxter Street from Washington Avenue to Highway 30 These closures will be from Friday, June 2, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. until Saturday, June 3, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Detours will be posted. The purpose of this closing is for 2023 MooFest. For more information, please contact the Office of the Public Works Department at 423-744-2745.

✓ Athens Utilities Board (AUB) offices will be closed on Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, in observation of the Memorial Day holiday. Crews from all AUB divisions will be on call around the clock to respond to any customer or system trouble. For quick response, customers should call 745-3131 to report power outages or trouble with other AUB-provided utility services. This will immediately alert our on-call supervisor so that he or she can dispatch the right crew as quickly as possible. The people of AUB encourage all our community neighbors to take time to remember and thank our fallen veterans and their families.

✓ Ladies, take a break and join "Women of Worship" for **WOW** Night on Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm-8:30 pm. This event is hosted by GodSong Ministries and will be held at The Barn at Faith Farms, 136 County Road 260, Athens. CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

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Athens, Tennessee

## Obituaries

♦ **Donnie Vie Craig**, age 82, of Athens, passed away May 18<sup>th</sup> at her residence. She was born in Etowah. She loved raising puppies & birds, spending time with her family, traveling, and working in her flower garden. A celebration of life will be held later. Companion Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Joseph Summerfield Roberts, Jr.**, passed away Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. He was a native of Athens and a resident of Riceville for the last 19 years. Joe was an Eagle Scout under the late Prof Powers Scout Troop 116. He was a 1974 graduate of TWU. He was the owner and president of Roberts Brothers Motors, Inc, for 30 years until his retirement in 2016. Joe was an avid audiophile, sports car enthusiast, and lake lover who camped frequently after his retirement. There will be a celebration of life at McMinn Memorial Gardens Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 10am. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

## WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT:

The debt ceiling and negotiations between Democrats and Republicans have shown little progress. European stocks were lower, as inflation data fell less than expected. Asian shares were weaker as well. Bond yields were steady. The 10-year yield was around 3.69%. At the closing bell, The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 255.59 to 32,799.92. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 30.34 to 4,115.24 and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 76.08 to 12,484.16.

## More Community News

**Continued from page 1:** Doors will open at 6:15pm for a time of fellowship and light refreshments. The guest speaker is Jenn Hann of Coming Alive Ministries. Although this event is free and open to the public, registration is requested. Please visit: [www.godsongministries.com](http://www.godsongministries.com)

✓ The United Way of McMinn & Meigs Counties (UWMM) is pleased to announce they have been awarded \$11,000 from the TVA Community Cares Funds through their partnership with AUB. The award will assist in providing sustainability and support for UWMM's McMinn-Meigs Assist program as they offer rent, utility, and food assistance to those in need in McMinn and Meigs counties. Any residents who have experienced an unexpected occurrence such as loss of income, medical emergency, or disaster will be eligible to apply for assistance. All applicants must be 18 years of age or older and reside in McMinn or Meigs counties. "So many of our neighbors in our community are struggling and have fallen behind on their rent or utilities due to job loss, reduced wages, and medical emergencies," said Paige Zabo, United Way President and CEO. "This is a very challenging time for so many working families who may have to choose between paying their rent or utilities or buying their medication or food for their family. We hope this program will help them recover from whatever financial distress they have experienced." The McMinn-Meigs Assist program will begin June 1, 2023. You can request an application by calling 423-435-5904 and leave a message, and a McMinn-Meigs Assist agent will return your call. Applications will also be available on the United Way website by clicking on the Our Impact tab and McMinn Assist at [www.uwmmcminn-meigs.com](http://www.uwmmcminn-meigs.com). All completed applications can be emailed to [unitedway@unitedwayymm.com](mailto:unitedway@unitedwayymm.com) or mailed to United Way of McMinn & Meigs Counties, P.O. Box 1681, Athens, TN 37371. Applications are NOT available at the United Way office. If you have any questions regarding the application or program, please call 423-435-5904.

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#### More Information

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