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Wednesday, May 31, 2023

Athens, Tennessee

Bear Sighting at Park

◆ A young black bear was spotted at the Athens Regional Park on Monday afternoon. It barely had time to chase a few ducks around the walking path and lake at the park before Athens Police and the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency arrived. We suspect that the young bear was able to hitch a ride back to the high mountains of the Cherokee National Forest before finding out how friendly the Friendly City can be! (FB photo)



Community News You Can Use

◆ Reminder of Street Closings 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
Closures will be from Friday, June 2nd at 4 p.m. until Saturday, June 3rd at 6 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.

WEATHER FORECAST

Wednesday - Partial sunshine with possible t'storm in pm. High 82.
Wednesday night - Partly cloudy. Low 59.
Thursday - Intervals of clouds mixed with sun. High 84.
More Weather at: wxyi.com

◆ **HOPE FROM THE WELL:** This week on "Hope From the Well", the guest will be Connie McIntosh discussing "Heroes, Hope and Faith". Hope From the Well is heard each Thursday morning at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5.

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

◆ **Wanda Faye Smith Tallent**, age 78, of Athens, passed away on Sunday, May 28th. She retired from Thomas and Betts after 42 years of service. She enjoyed cooking and watching the Tennessee Volunteers and Atlanta Braves. Graveside services will be held at McMinn Memory Gardens on Thursday, June 1st at 11:00 AM. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

◆ **Ruby Janice "Jan" Thomas**, age 92, of Tellico Plains, passed away Monday, May 1st. She was a resident of Etowah for 30 plus years, spending several years working at Morgan and Carwood Manufacturing. In her spare time, she loved sewing, quilting, gardening, and listening to the birds sing. A Celebration of Life will be held for Jan and her husband David, who passed away in 2020. Service will be held at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, June 3rd in Taylor Family Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. prior to the service at the home of Sarah Boring, 145 Wilson Road in Tellico Plains. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.

◆ **Michael John Wright, Sr.**, age 66, former resident of Beloit, WI, and a resident of Niota for two years, passed away on Monday, May 29th at his residence. Michael retired from the City of Beloit Public Works Department after 37 years. He was a huge Green Bay Packers fan, enjoyed fishing, hunting, traveling, and spending time with his family and friends. There will be a Celebration of Life Service with a luncheon to follow on Sunday, July 9th at 3:00 PM at Beloit Free Methodist Church 1919 Cleora Drive, Beloit, WI. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

◆ **Thomas "Jimmy" Albert Chrisman**, age 79, a native and lifelong resident of McMinn County, passed away on Monday, May 29th at his home. He was a truck driver for many years. A gathering of family and friends will be held for Jimmy at a later date. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

United Way Awarded Funds

REVISED PRESS RELEASE FROM UNITED WAY OF MCMINN-MEIGS COUNTY:

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, UWMM 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 423-252-4798 and leaving 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. All completed applications can be emailed to <mailto:unitedway@unitedwaymm.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 423-252-4798.

Athens Lions - 14th Annual Moooooo Run!!!



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