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Athens, Tennessee

Structure Fire-CR754 Riceville

Calhoun Rural Fire Department asked for mutual aid for this structure fire around 11:30 Friday night on Co Rd 754, Riceville. When the first fire personnel arrived on the scene the fire was located in the attic of the vacant structure but spread quickly. The structure was a total loss. Responding departments were Calhoun Rural Fire, Claxton Fire, Riceville Rural Fire, Athens Rural Fire, Englewood Rural Fire, VEC and AMR. Asst Calhoun Rural Fire Chief Justin Evans was in command of the scene. Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department.



Community News You Can Use

✓ Just in case you missed it, the Ingleside Pool repairs are completed and it is now open for regular operating hours. For more information, please contact the Office of Parks & Recreation at (423) 744-2704.

World and National News

- ◆ China and the United States agreed Monday to try and stabilize their intense rivalry to avoid veering into conflict. No announcement was made of any major breakthroughs during a rare visit to Beijing by U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken, but they hope to work together to stabilize and improve relations.
- ◆ Tornadoes swept through Mississippi Monday night, killing one and injuring nearly two dozen, according to officials on Monday. There was damage from storms in which high temperatures and hail in some areas accompanied tornadoes.
- ◆ Oil prices fell on Monday. West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude was down 49 cents. Trading volumes were thin due to the Juneteenth U.S. holiday.

Body Found In Woods Off Decatur Pike

On Monday, June 19th at approximately 2:40pm officers of the Athens Police Department responded to a wooded area at the corner of Decatur Pike and Clark Street in reference to a possible deceased subject. Upon officers' arrival a white male subject was found lying in the woods who was confirmed to be deceased. The medical examiner's office was contacted, responded to the scene and the subject was transported by the medical examiner's office. The subject's identity and cause of death are undetermined at this time.

WEATHER FORECAST

Tuesday - Cloudy & humid. Possible rain and heavy t'storms. High 76.
Tue. night - Possible t'storms in p.m. Low 65.
Wednesday - Thick cloud cover. Possible t'storms. Cool with soaking rains. High 77.
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Obituaries

- ♦ **Robert "Paul" Alley, Sr.**, age 78, of Athens and long-time resident of Williston, FL, passed away on Sunday, June 18th at Parkwest Medical Center. He was born in Tompkinsville, KY. He was a retired auto mechanic and as a hobby, he loved to restore classic cars. Visitation will be held on Friday, June 23rd from 12:00-2:00 PM at Ziegler Funeral Home, with a funeral service at 2:00. Interment will follow at Cedar Grove Cemetery in Athens. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- ♦ **Susie Hickman Henry**, age 84, of Athens, passed away Monday, June 19th. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Vesper Delores Davis Ramsey**, age 97, of Athens, died Saturday, June 17th at Life Care Center of Athens. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.

TODAY IS:

- National Hike With a Geek Day
- National Ice Cream Soda Day
- National Vanilla Milk Shake Day
- National American Eagle Day
- National Kouign Amann Day (French Pastry)

Today In History

- 1863 - West Virginia became the 35th state. It was originally part of Virginia, which had seceded from the Union during the Civil War. The western counties in Virginia supported the North and declared their independence from Virginia. Eventually, they became West Virginia.
- 1867 - The U.S. purchased the territory of Alaska from Russia for \$7 million, or about 2¢ per acre.
- 1924 - Certified Guitar Picker Chet Atkins was born.
- 1939 - W2XBS (later WCBS-TV) in New York City televised the first TV operetta. *Pirates of Penzance*, composed by Gilbert and Sullivan, was presented to a very small viewing audience. Television was a new, experimental medium at the time.
- 1945 - Singer Anne Murray was born in Canada. Her first big hit was "Snowbird."
- 1949 - Singer Lionel Richie was born. He was the lead singer of the Commodores before going solo. Among his hit records, "Say You, Say Me."
- 1977 - Oil began flowing through the 789-mile-long Alaska pipeline.
- 2001 - Andrea Yates drowned her five children, who ranged in age from 6 months to 7 years, in the bathtub in her family's home in Houston.

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