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Friday, October 27, 2023 Athens, Tennessee

Skeletal Remains Identified

Skeletal remains found in McMinn County on October 19 have been identified as those of a Fort Oglethorpe man, missing from 2016. David Abbott was reported missing on June 23, 2016. His abandoned truck was recovered the next day in McMinn County, in a driveway on County Road 126 just off Highway 30, west of Athens. Abbott's partial skeletal remains were found by a group of hunters off Highway 30 west of Athens, in a wooded area near County Road 119, about 200 feet off the highway. McMinn County Sheriff Joe Guy said "The remains were sent to the Forensics Center in Knoxville last Thursday. On Monday we were contacted by retired Fort Oglethorpe Detective Steve Blevins about the possibility of the person being related to a case Detective Blevins had worked on in 2016. Detective Blevins contacted the Forensics Center about his cold case, and they were able to confirm the identification as David Abbott, of Fort Oglethorpe." Both McMinn County officers and Fort Oglethorpe Detective Blevins had searched the area in 2016, but Abbott was not found. Family members said Abbott suffered from mental health issues, as well as numerous other health problems. Investigators say that there is no evidence of foul play, thinking Abbott walked off into the wooded area and passed away shortly after leaving his truck on County Road 126. His body was located about 3/4 mile from the location where his truck was found in 2016. This identification closes the case on Abbott, but Guy said his office and retired Detective Blevins will remain in contact with the family for resources they might need.

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Clearwater Baptist Church and Upward Sports basketball and cheerleading registration for boys and girls K4 thru 6th grade basketball will be November 3rd from 6pm to 8pm or November 4th from 9am to 12 pm, or you can register online at clearwaterbc.org/upward Games will be played on Saturday's in January and February.
- ✓ Athens Area Council for the Arts (AACA) is pleased to present its annual Holiday Trunk Show which offers handmade art and crafts available for sale. Vendors interested in participating must register by Saturday, October 28, 2023. Dates for Holiday Trunk Show are Friday and Saturday, November 17 and 18, 2023. For more information about AACA programs visit athensartscouncil.org, or phone 423-745-8781. Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The Arts Center is located in Historic Downtown Athens, Tennessee, in the Main Street District, at 320 North White Street.
- ✓ **Saturday, October 28: Hunter's Moon Eclipse And Jupiter**
 Saturday, October's full moon will drift into Earth's shadow to cause a partial lunar eclipse, but unlike this month's annular solar eclipse it's Europe and Africa that are best placed to see it. It won't be much of a sight from North America with the full moon destined to rise while already exiting Earth's fuzzy outer shadow. However, a full moon rise is always worth watching and, as a bonus, Jupiter will be just 3° from it.

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5K RACE STARTS- 8:00 A.M.

1 MILE WALK STARTS- 8:30 A.M.

**AGE GROUPS: MALE
& FEMALE UNDER 14,
15-19, 20-29, 30-39,
40-49, & 50+**

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Athens, Tennessee

MVA on Curvy Hwy 307

Tuesday around noon the driver of a 2008 GMC 4500 over-corrected on Highway 307 at County Road 422 near Athens causing the truck to overturn. The driver escaped without injury. Englewood Rural Fire Dept, McMinn County Sheriff's Department, and Monroe County Sheriff's Department all responded with THP Officer DJ Taylor investigating the accident. Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department.



FOOTBALL SCHEDULES for Oct 27th and 28th:
Oct 27th 7 p.m. Games: Polk County Plays at York Institute; Cleveland hosts Hardin Valley
Oct 27th 7:30 p.m. Games: Tellico Plains plays at Wartburg.
Oct 28th: The Tennessee Volunteers travel to Lexington to play the Kentucky Wildcats. Game time is 7:00 p.m. and will be on ESPN

Obituaries

♦Cecileia Shultz, age 76, of Athens, passed away Thursday, October 26th. Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced at a later date. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah in charge of arrangements.
♦Wilma Thomas, age 82, of Benton, passed away Wednesday, October 25th. Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced at a later date. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah in charge of arrangements.

Church News and Events

-The Carter's will be singing at Cambria Baptist Church, 305 County Road 875, Etowah, on Sunday October 29th, Old Timer's Day, at 11:AM. Everyone is welcome.
-Mars Hill Presbyterian Church will celebrate their 200th Anniversary on Sunday, November 5th, with a special morning Worship Service beginning at 10:45 a.m. There will be special dedicated music during the service along with an inspirational message. Please join us for this religious milestone. You are invited to stay after the service for fellowship with refreshments. Mars Hill is located at 205 North Jackson Street in downtown Athens.
-Everlasting Life Christian Center will celebrate Pastor Kevin Harris Anniversary on Sunday October 29th at 11:00 AM. Guest Speaker will be Pastor Tom Homes and Watson Chapel Church of Charleston. Dinner will be served following morning service. The public is cordially invited through this announcement.
-Mars Hill Presbyterian Church (205 North Jackson Street) is sponsoring a free children's playgroup on Mondays, 9-11 a.m. for ages 0-5. For additional information, contact the Church Office (423-745-1403) or Mary Ann Reed (910-200-2905).
-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.

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