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Athens, Tennessee

Thursday, January 11, 2024

Traffic Blocked Due To Fire

Which the high winds on Tuesday morning a tree brought down this power line on Co Rd 460, Englewood close to 5:30 am. The line was still hot and caught the roadway on fire blocking traffic for about an hour. Englewood Rural Fire Dept and AUB both responded. Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department.



Community News You Can Use

✓ The main office of Athens Utilities Board (AUB) will be closed on Monday, January 15, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Standby crews from all divisions will be prepared around the clock throughout the day to handle any field response needs across the AUB service territory. The office will re-open at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday, January 16.

✓ The UT Extension Family & Consumer Sciences Department invites you to participate in the Farm Family Health and Wellness (FHW) program. This program is designed to help you and your family live safer, healthier, happier lives on the farm. During the program, issues such as farm safety, financial concerns and stress factors will be addressed. This program is eligible for 50% cost share with many of the TAEP Programs. The course will utilize a hybrid method of live webinars and/or recordings that can be watched as your schedule allows. Zoom-based webinars will be held Thursday nights at 6 p.m. (CT) / 7:00 p.m. (ET) beginning January 25, 2024. Additional webinars will be February 2, February 16, March 2, and March 16. Registered participants will be emailed a Zoom link and instructions before each session. Recordings will be sent following each session for further viewing. Supplementary sessions are available on the Farm Family Health and Wellness Program website at https://fcs.tennessee.edu/mffhw/. To finish the course, seven sessions must be completed.





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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

•Dr. Franklin Dean Grant, age 82, of Georgia, and a native of Athens, passed away on Wednesday, January 10. Arrangements will be announced at a later time. Ziegler Funeral home is in charge.

•Marlene Susan Middleton Burris, age 59, passed away on Tuesday, January 9, at Parkwest Medical Center in Knoxville. She was a member of Lee's Chapel Baptist Church in Sweetwater. A graveside service will be held at Cochran Cemetery in Englewood, at 2:00 PM on Friday, January 12. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

•Janice Ison Webb, age 79, of Etowah, passed away on Friday, January 5. Janice dedicated much of her life to excellence in education. She was valedictorian of both her high school and college graduating classes. Additionally, she completed her master's in mathematics at the University of Tennessee. She taught algebra and physics at McMinn Central High School for 23 years. After retiring, Janice served on the board of the McMinn County Education Foundation for twelve years and as chair of the Teacher Mini-Grants program. Janice was very proud of the Foundation's work with the Imagination Library. She and her husband, Henry, were awarded the Ignite Award (2016) for their service and financial support to M.C.E.F. Janice also served on three library boards: the Etowah Carnegie Library, Continued at right \Rightarrow

OPEN POSITION AVAILABLE

Main Street of Athens, TN is seeking a director for its non-profit organization. An ideal candidate would be energetic, positive, and willing to work in collaboration with business owners and leaders, as well as have a desire to be a community builder. Grant writing skills would be helpful, but not required.

The Mission of Main Street Athens is to create a sustainable town center that contributes to the communities' health while preserving the unique history and culture of historic Downtown Athens. The over-all goal is to create a vibrant Downtown for residents and visitors to work, live, shop, dine and enjoy entertainment.

Applications will be accepted through 1-11-2024 and can be emailed to <u>athensmainstreet@gmail.com</u>

Obituaries Continued

the E.G.Fisher Library, and the Fort Loudoun Regional Library. Janice was a member of St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Etowah, for 60 years. During that time, she served in many capacities, including secretary to the administrative board for over 20 years. A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, January 20th at St. Paul's United Methodist Church. Visitation will be from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Saturday, prior to the service at the church. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.

Arrest Reports

From the McMinn County Justice Center

Anthony Johnson, 37 of Riceville, was charged by MCSO with driving on revoked license, possession of meth-casual exchange. No bond.

Karlissa Cooley, 37 of Decatur, charged by MCSO with simple possession - casual exchange of fentanyl, possession of meth - casual exchange, drug paraphernalia, child support. \$35,000 bond. Colt McNeeley, 27 of Athens, charged by APD with domestic assault. No bond listed.

Jack Thomas, 53 of Riceville, charged by MCSO with state violation of probation - arson. No bond

Hoyt Chamber, of Calhoun (no age listed), charged by MCSO with violation of probation. \$3127.00 bond.

The accused are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Information gathered from public sources.

