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Friday, February 23, 2024

Athens, Tennessee

## Community News You Can Use

✓McMinn County Trustee Phil Tuggle is reminding taxpayers that Tuesday, February 29<sup>th</sup>, is the last day to pay property taxes before interest must be added. The Trustee's Office will be open 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. this Saturday and weekdays from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. "We will accept mail postmarked by February 29 and will be legal even if received a couple of days later," Tuggle said. The Trustee drop box is located at top of steps on the Washington Avenue side of Courthouse; however, any payments deposited in drop box after February 29th will be subject to interest. The law requires the Trustee to send unpaid "business personal property" taxes and 2022 delinquent taxes to Chancery Court March 28, 2024. Delinquent taxes are assessed interest, plus court costs and attorney fees if sent to court. All delinquent county taxes must be paid before current 2023 taxes may be accepted. Property taxes can also be paid online. Go to [tennesseetrustee.com](http://tennesseetrustee.com), click on McMinn County and follow instructions. Taxpayers with delinquent taxes can call 745-1291 or email [ptuggle@mcminncountyttn.gov](mailto:ptuggle@mcminncountyttn.gov) for the correct amount due.

✓The City of Athens Public Works Department announces Leaf Vacuum Season last call for loose leaf pick up: The City of Athens Public Works Department has finished the second round of leaf collection. The final round of loose-leaf collection is from Friday, February 23, through Friday, March 8, at 2:00 p.m. Please place loose leaves curbside, 3 to 5 feet from edge of yard up into your yard now for pick up. Call The City of Athens Public Works Department at 423-744-2746 to be placed on the list of pick-up locations. After Friday, March 8, leaves must be bagged for collection. Bagged leaves are picked up throughout the year during the brush/junk route pick-ups. For more information, please contact the Office of the Public Works Department at 423-744-2745. More Community News at top right

## Community News Continued

✓The Athens City Schools Board of Education and Athens City Council Quarterly Joint Meeting will be held on Monday, February 26, beginning at 5:00 PM at the ACS Administrative Building at 943 Crestway Drive.

✓VFW egg hunt is March 30 at VFW at noon. There will be prizes for each age group. Refreshments will be served following the event.

## Church News and Events

-Rev. Hugh Dixon Pastor, invites you to their Annual Black History Month Tea and Fashion Show, Sunday February 25, at Lane's Chapel A.M.E Zion Church 904 County Rd 264 Niota from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. There will be Fun, Fashion and Food. Everyone is invited.

- The Dumplin Valley singers will be in concert at Rocky Mount Baptist Church on Sunday, March 3 at 10:45 a.m.

-There will be a Gospel Benefit Singing for Mason Holliday TONIGHT, February 23 at 7 p.m. at Solid Rock Baptist Church. There will also be a bake sale and auction beginning at 5:30 p.m. See their ad on Page 2.

-Planted In Christ Outreach Fellowship, 317 Maple Street, in Athens, invites you to attend Outreach Deliverance Classes every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

-Celebrate Recovery meets at the following churches: The Englewood Church of God every Sunday at 6 p.m. and Woodward Avenue Church of God every Tuesday at 6 p.m.

-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)

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### WEATHER FORECAST

Friday - Partly sunny & pleasant. High 64.

Friday Night - Partly cloudy cooler. Low 35.

Saturday - Sunny & cooler. Possible rain. High 48.

Saturday Night - Clear & cold. Low 26.

Weather at: [wyxi.com](http://wyxi.com)



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**Obituaries**

◆**Hannah Grace Peglow**, 20 months, passed away, Sunday, February 18, at her home. A funeral service will be conducted at 10:00 am, Friday, February 23, at Smith Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Niota Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5:00-7:00 pm, Thursday, February 22, at the funeral home. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

**TYPE ONE ENERGY GROUP:** U.S. Representative Chuck Fleischmann (TN-03), Chairman of Energy and Water Appropriations and Co-Chairman of the House Fusion Energy Caucus, applauded Type One Energy Group, Inc.'s announcement that the company will invest \$223.5 million to establish its headquarters and expand their operations in East Tennessee. Type One Energy will create 330 new, high-paying jobs by establishing its HQ in East Tennessee and expanding fusion technology research and development (R&D) in Clinton at the Tennessee Valley Authority's (TVA) Bull Run Fossil Plant. The company will build its state-of-the-art fusion energy prototype, Infinity One, in Clinton, further showing that East Tennessee is leading America's new nuclear future. "It's great to see East Tennessee and our state growing as the preeminent leader in nuclear energy and technology that will power the future of America and the world...." – stated Congressman Fleischmann.

**Property Transfers McMinn Co**

Listed below are the remainder of verifiable property sales from January 1 to February 1 in McMinn County

| Close Price | Street Name      | City      |
|-------------|------------------|-----------|
| \$229,000   | Dosset St        | Athens    |
| \$259,900   | County Road 891  | Etowah    |
| \$268,500   | County Road 671  | Athens    |
| \$275,000   | County Road 255  | Athens    |
| \$275,000   | Elizabeth Street | Athens    |
| \$284,900   | Highway 39 E     | Athens    |
| \$290,000   | County Road 632  | Athens    |
| \$293,550   | County Road 723  | Athens    |
| \$329,900   | County Road 142  | Riceville |
| \$379,000   | County Road 148  | Riceville |
| \$390,000   | Woodward Ave     | Athens    |
| \$489,000   | County Road 116  | Athens    |
| \$1,000,000 | County Road 712  | Athens    |

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## RAM Clinic at Christ Community Church

The Remote Area Medical (RAM) clinic was held at Christ Community Church and The Good Faith Clinic on Saturday, February 17th. Many people were served in our community and blessed with free medical, and free women's health appointments. They also had a huge turn-out for free eye exams and glasses this year as well. God moved mightily, for sure! Thanks to the Athens Federal Foundation, The Lions Club-Athens, Christ Community Church, RAM, Good Faith Clinic, and ALL of the volunteers (both local, and with RAM). A huge thank you to Dr Byrd, Dr Bledsoe, Dr Trey Sullins, and Dr Clark for donating their time and services. This would not be possible without them! It was a long day, and everyone was exhausted, but it was so rewarding to see the smiling faces this year. RAM also wants to thank the many sponsors for generously providing food, drinks, and snacks. It really helps, and RAM is very appreciative. Sponsors for 2024 are: Starr Regional Medical Center, Ascension Life Church, Mayfield Dairy, Warehouse 23, and East TN Properties, LLC. (Submitted by Heidi Wallace)



## SAR Hiwassee Chapter New Officers

The Hiwassee chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) held their annual meeting on Saturday February 10th at 4:30PM at Old Sherman Hall at Tennessee Wesleyan University. New Officers were installed at the Annual Banquet by Fred Underdown who is National Trustee and Past State President of the parent Tennessee society of the SAR. In the photo below are (L-R) Fred Underdown, Ed Waldron, recurring president, Peter Giroux Vice President, Tony Underdown 2nd Vice President, Jack Curtis Secretary, George Krauss Treasurer, Donald Edmands Historian, and Robby Nesbitt Chaplain. Not Pictured is Billy Devine Sgt. at Arms. The Hiwassee Chapter TNSSAR meets monthly at Mexi-Wings Downtown Athens, on the 4th Monday at 6:15 PM. (Submitted by Jason Wright)

