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Thursday, March 28, 2024

Athens, Tennessee

Howell Proposes More Rafting



Tennessee State Representative Dan Howell, who represents Polk, Meigs and parts of Bradley County in the legislature, is pursuing legislative action that, if passed, would extend rafting days on the Ocoee River for this summer. Rep. Howell's proposed bill would enable officials to collaborate with the deputy commissioner of state parks to negotiate with TVA for additional water release days during the rafting season. The objective of the bill is to attract more tourists and white water rafting enthusiasts to the region. Polk County is one of the premier white water rafting destinations in the U.S. The Ocoee River was notably featured in the 1996 Atlanta Summer Olympics white water events.

Community News You Can Use

✓Today's Holy Week service is being observed at Allen Memorial UMC (800 Decatur Pike, Athens) which will be hosting Rev. Richard White. Holy Communion will be served. Service starts at noon, with a light lunch and fellowship to follow. Services hosted by the Athens/McMinn Ministerial Fellowship. Offerings from this week's services go toward replacing the shower bus.

✓The UT Extension Office will be hosting an Arthritis Exercise Program April 8 through May 1. Meetings will be Mondays and Wednesdays at Athens First Baptist Church (305 Ingleside Ave.) from 10 am - 11 am. It is designed specifically for persons with arthritis, taking into consideration the pain, fatigue and decreased strength and motion that often accompany the disease. The program includes accommodations for individual limitations and does not encourage activities that might aggravate, rather than relieve, arthritis symptoms. Classes are free. Please register by calling 423-745-2852.



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McMinn County Living Heritage Museum

Upcoming Events

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PAM WILL SHARE STEPS TO RECOVERY AND HEALTHY EATING TIPS

QUILT SQUARE FOR BEGINNERS WITH LINDA BOSKET
SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH @ 11:00
COME LEARN HOW TO MAKE A HAND SEWN QUILT SQUARE. THIS CLASS IS FOR
BEGINNERS BUT ANYONE IS WELCOME!
FREE FOR MEMBERS - \$5 FOR NON-MEMBERS

HISTORY FOR LUNCH:

HISTORY OF THE WHITE CLIFF HOTEL AND STARR
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Obituaries

Eddie Lewis Pressley, 73 of Meigs County, passed away on Tuesday, March 26. Visitation will be held from 1 to 2 pm on Friday, March 29, at Ziegler Funeral Home, followed by a graveside service at 3 pm at Pisgah Cemetery in Decatur. Ziegler Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

◆ The guest this week on "Hope From the Well" will be Connie McIntosh discussing "Women of the Bible: Lois and Eunice." Hope From the Well is heard each Thursday morning at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5.

Affordable Housing Proposal



State Representative Jeremy Faison of Cosby has introduced a bill in Tennessee aimed at boosting the number of affordable housing units in rural areas. The proposed legislation seeks to extend the time frame during which charitable organizations can be exempt from real property taxes when acquiring or developing land for low-income housing projects. Additionally, the bill aims to eliminate taxes on incentives provided to developers for constructing affordable housing units in the state.

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Arrest Reports

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- Krystal Riedel, 45 of Athens, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Violation of Probation. Cash bond was assigned of \$2,484.45.
- Spencer Smythia, 26 of Sweetwater, was arrested by Etowah PD for a Warrant in Loudon County. Bond was denied as he was awaiting transfer to Loudon County.
- Emily M. Fawcett, 41 of Niota, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for State Violation of Probation, Contraband in a Penal Institution (Fentanyl), Possession of Schedule II Fentanyl for Resale, and State Violation of Probation Addendum. Bond was assigned of \$20,000.
- George E. Beavers, 47 of Etowah, was arrested by the Etowah PD for Driving Under the Influence. Bond was not reported.
- Timothy S. Moore, 38 of Philadelphia, TN, was arrested by the Niota PD for Failure to Appear. Bond was assigned of \$2,000.
- Orlando Martinez, 29 of Sweetwater, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Driving Under the Influence. Bond was assigned of \$2,000.

03/24/24

- Arvella Bradley, 57 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Violation of Probation. Cash bond assigned of \$1,208.95.
- Kelvin Arnold, 39 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD on five counts of Failure to Appear for various offenses, one count of Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, and Contraband in a Penal Institution. Bond assigned of \$18,000.
- Ryan Hammers, 33 of Etowah, was arrested by the Etowah PD for Driving Under the Influence. Bond was assigned of \$1,000.
- Shannon Huff, 53 of Athens, was arrested by the Etowah PD for Violation of Probation and was assigned a cash bond of \$444.70.
- Johnny Ledwell, 47 of Cleveland, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Driving Under the Influence with no bond assigned.
- Charles Aiken, 48 of Rockwood, TN, was arrested by the Athens PD for Violation of Probation in Rhea County, Driving with a Restricted License, Window Tint, and Failure to have Insurance. Bond was assigned of \$2,000.

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



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