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Athens, Tennessee

Monday, April 1, 2024

This is No April Fool!

Do you enjoy a good laugh? We certainly hope that is the case because The Morning Fax, beginning today, will be your portal for every comic strip from A to Z, really! From Alley Oop to Ziggy, and hundreds of other comic strips in between, you can click or tap to your heart's content. Now, you can keep up with B.C., Calvin and Hobbes, Dick Tracy, Foxtrot, Garfield, The Far Side and the list goes on and on. Kudos to Andrews McMeel Universal Publishing for permitting and partnering with us to provide this service to you. Click or tap **Comics A to Z** to access your favorite comics.





THE TAX THE AGAIN FOLKSI Time for spring cleaning & firsh new flooring! Times are tight now & we understand that. So as everything else is going up, our flooring prices are coming down. We have carpet specials starting at .69 cents/sq ft, Sheet viny! 89 cents/sq ft, & waterproof plank flooring starting at 1.49 sq ft! High end flooring from Shaw & Corete for drastically reduced prices (while supplies last)! Ask us about our match & beat any price policy! Also ask about our boat carpets & gorgoous grass yard turfs. We have the largest selection of in stock ready to go floorings at Dalton prices right here in beaufful Athens, TN! Everything we self can be installed by the best of the best professional installers & most installs happen within 1 to 2 weeks of purchase! We are easy to find & aboundary worth the drive! (Across from McMinn County High School)

Community News You Can Use

- The McMinn County Historical Society & Archives is traveling to the Historic Reagan Station Home on Sunday, April 7th at 2 pm. Email <u>mcminncohistory@gmail.com</u> or call (423) 744-3911 for directions to the home.
- Join E.G. Fisher Public Library as they celebrate the partial solar eclipse with different activities. Bring your picnic chairs and blankets to the library next Monday, April 8th, from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm.

LISTENING REMINDER: This week's guest on Main Street Moments will be Rob Preston with the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce. The broadcast will be aired at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday on WYXI RADIO: AM-1390 and FM-94.5.





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ACIS Celebrates American Heart Month

Starr Regional Medical Center (SRMC) and Athens City Intermediate School (ACIS) commemorated

American Heart Month, observed annually in February, by showcasing heart-themed artwork. ACIS art instructors collaborated with students throughout the month to craft these pieces, selecting exemplary works from each grade for display at Starr Regional Medical Center facilities. In appreciation of their efforts, Starr Regional Medical Center generously donated to the art department, acknowledging the collective efforts of ACIS students. "We are proud to be an Adopt-a-School Partner with Athens City Intermediate School and support their efforts to educate and inspire the children in our community," said John McLain, Starr Regional Medical Center Chief Executive Officer. "We look forward to future opportunities to invest in the health and well-being of the students as part of our mission of making communities healthier."

To learn more about Starr Regional Medical Center and the services provided, visit <u>StarrRegional.com</u>.



Front row (L to R): ACIS students Kynsee Winder, Hannah Headrick, Mia Toney, Harlee Huggins, Emily Russell and Brenleigh Smith.

Second row (L to R): Taylor Cook, Cardiac Rehab Supervisor at Starr Regional Medical Center; Jessica Jacobs, ACIS Art Instructor; Amy Robinette, Cardiopulmonary Supervisor at Starr Regional Medical Center; and Heather Bradford, ACIS Art Instructor.

Photo Credit: Starr Regional Medical Center





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Obituaries

- Carolyn Jeanette Wood Martin, age 58, lifelong resident of McMinn County, passed away on Thursday, March 28. The family will receive friends from noon to 2 pm on Monday, April 1 at Ziegler Funeral Home. Funeral services will follow at 2 pm at the funeral home. Interment will follow at Clearwater Baptist Church Cemetery in Athens. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- James Edward Womack, age 64, of Decatur, passed away on Friday, March 29 at his residence. He loved hunting, fishing, and farming and was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. Funeral Service will be held at 2 pm on Tuesday, April 2 in the Chapel of Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Service. Interment will follow in the Beta Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 5 7 pm on Monday, April 1, 2024, in the Chapel of Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

Obituaries

- Kim Kent Melson, age 80, of Etowah, passed away on Wednesday, March 20. Kim was a Chemical Engineer and a faithful member of First Baptist Church, Etowah. He was a U.S. veteran, serving in the Air Force during the Vietnam era. Graveside service & interment was Thursday, March 21 at Madisonville City Cemetery. Military honors were provided by V.F.W. Post 5156 & American Legion Post 106. Arrangements by Biereley-Hale Funeral Home, Madisonville.
- **Duncan Turnbull**, 71, of Englewood, TN passed away Thursday, March 28. Survivors include his wife, children, and granddaughter. A graveside service will be held at 2:00 pm, Wednesday, April 3 at Etowah Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.



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Arrest Reports

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- Samuel Carpenter, 19 of Athens, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Possession of Schedule II Fentanyl, Possession of Schedule III Suboxone, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, and Driving on a Revoked License. Bond was assigned of \$12,000.
- Marvin Collins, 54 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Theft over \$1000 (Shoplifting). Bond was assigned of \$2,000.
- Nathan Tipton, 39 of Etowah, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Possession of Schedule II Fentanyl, Possession of Methamphetamine, and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia. Bond was assigned of \$13,000.
- Nicole King, 37 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Simple Possession of Schedule II Fentanyl, Simple Possession of Schedule II Methamphetamine, and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia. Bond was assigned of \$13,000.
- Tyler Gerard Birk, 34 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Possession of Methamphetamine, Driving on a Suspended License, and Simple Possession of Fentanyl. Bond was assigned of \$14,000

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- Tammy Womac, 43 of Athens, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Possession of Schedule II Fentanyl for resale, Driving on a Revoked License, Burglary, Unpaid Child Support, Felony Evading, Possession of Schedule IV, and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia. Bond was assigned of \$38,000.
- Steven Womac, 40 of Athens, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Possession of Schedule II Fentanyl for Resale and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia. Bond was assigned of \$31,000.
- Brandon Hopkins, 37 of Chattanooga, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Violation of Probation with a cash bond assigned of \$3,081.90.
- Brandon Hobock, 31 of Riceville, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Failure to Appear and Violation of Probation. Bond assigned in the total of \$2,993.95
- Phillip Bishop, 43 of Morristown, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Second Degree Murder in Sevier County. He was held without bond awaiting transfer to Sevier County.
- Justin Robinson, 28 of Riceville, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Criminal Trespass and Resisting Arrest. Bond was assigned of \$1,000.
- Amber Walker, 49 of Englewood, was arrested by the Tennessee Highway Patrol for Driving Under the Influence. Bond was assigned of \$1,000.
- Dustin A. Davis, 39 of Athens, was arrested by the Tennessee Highway Patrol for Driving Under the Influence, Implied Consent, Felony Evading Arrest, Reckless Endangerment, and Evading Arrest. Bond was assigned of \$6,000.
- Angela Joe Womack, 43 of Athens, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Department for Illegal Possession and Fraudulent Use of a Debit or Credit Card with bond assigned of \$1,000.

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

