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Athens, Tennessee

Partial Solar Eclipse Today

Today, the focus is on the solar eclipse. Although East Tennessee will not witness totality, we will observe a partial solar eclipse, where the Moon only partially obscures the Sun. The last experience of totality in East Tennessee was in 2017. Because we will only experience a partial solar eclipse, do not expect a complete darkening of the sky like we saw in 2017, as some of the Sun will still be visible. In Athens, the partial eclipse will begin at 1:47 pm, reach its Max Percent Coverage of 88.1% at 3:05 pm and will end at 4:22 pm. During a solar eclipse, it is essential to wear solar eclipse glasses to observe the event safely. In this area, where we'll witness a partial eclipse, it's necessary to keep solar eclipse glasses on for the entire duration. Furthermore, if you intend to view any part of the solar eclipse through a camera lens, binoculars, or a telescope, be sure to use a solar filter over the front lens to prevent eye damage.

Community News You Can Use

- McMinn County Schools has declared today, Monday, April 8th as a remote learning day. Grades K-1 will have paper packets to complete and 2-12 will have digital assignments to complete if the Device Contract was signed and returned. All MCS teachers have sent home information about how to contact them for assistance with assignments during the school day. Students will be counted absent for this day if they do not submit completed work.
- Athens City Schools has announced an abbreviated school day today, April 8th. This change of schedule is due to the partial solar eclipse. Athens City Middle dismisses at 11:30 am, Athens City Primary (Pre-K) dismisses at 11:45 am, with (K-2) dismissing at 12:25 pm. Athens City Intermediate dismisses at 12:10 pm. Breakfast and Lunch will be provided and Kids Connection will be open.

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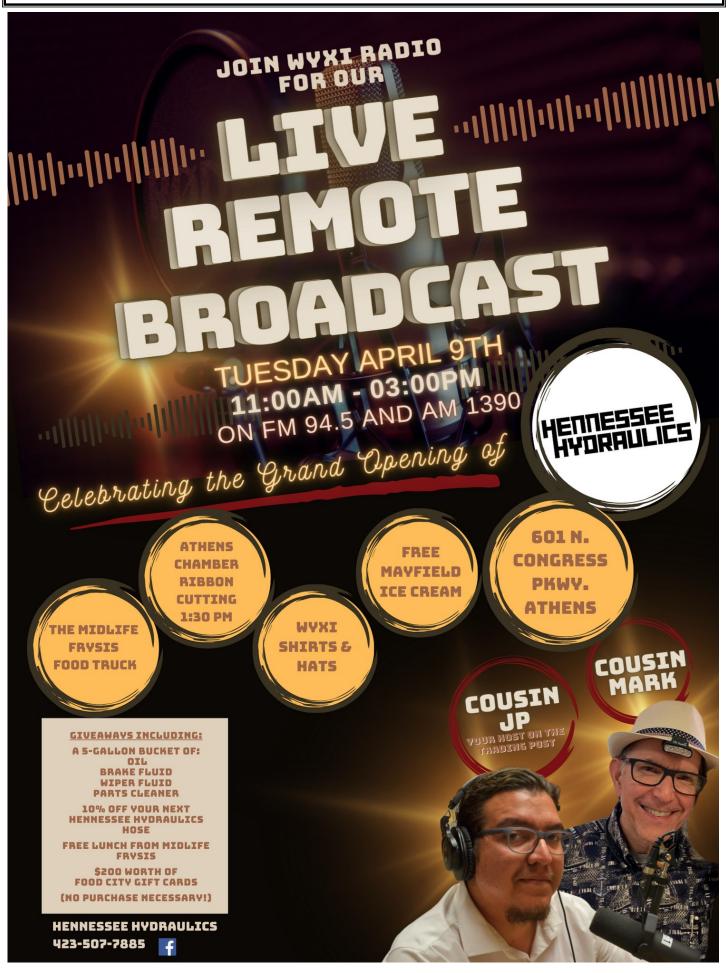
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 Monday – Off •Tuesday-Madisonville-Will Sav -10:30 - 1:30 •Wednesday-Etowah Across from Johnsons-10:30 - 2:00 •Thursday-Athens Across from Harbor Freight-10:30-1:30 • Friday-Sweetwater-Little Drugs-10:30 - 2:30 423-829-4126 •Sunday-Niota Police Department Event - 1- 4ish

LISTENING REMINDER: This week's guest on Main Street Moments will be Nancy Proffitt, owner of Heritage Antiques. The broadcast will be aired at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday on WYXI RADIO: AM-1390 and FM-94.5.



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Obituaries

- Mary Belle McNabb Walker, 81 of Calhoun, passed away on April 4, 2024. She retired from Bradley Memorial Hospital in 2005 at the age of 62 after 25 years of service in dietary. She was a member of Eastanallee Baptist Church. The family received friends on Saturday, April 6 at Zeigler Funeral Home with the funeral following thereafter.
- Jimmie Evans, 93 of Walland, TN, formerly of Etowah, passed away Thursday, April 4. Jimmie proudly served our country in the US Navy during the Korean War. Funeral service will be held at 2 p.m., Monday, April 8, in the chapel of Bordwine Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 1 to 2 p.m., Monday prior to the service. Interment will follow the service in Conasauga Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.
- Jeremiah Lee Quinn Yates, born February 18, 1988, has passed away. His tender heart touched the lives of all who knew him, and his memory will forever be etched in our hearts. Though his time with us was too brief, Jeremiah's love and light will continue to guide us. He will be deeply missed but his spirit will never be forgotten. May we honor his legacy by embracing each day with love, laughter, and gratitude. Rest in peace, dear Jeremiah. Your life was filled with love, and you will always be remembered with fondness and affection.

- Bobby Wayne Reed, 78 of Ten Mile, passed away on Friday, April 5. He was a life-time member of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church in Ten Mile. He was a member of Meigs Masonic Lodge #213 F.&A.M. and the Alhambra Shrine. A Funeral Service will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9 at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church. Interment will follow in the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 12 noon 2 p.m., prior to the service. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is in charge.
- William Donald "Don" McCosh, 76 of Athens, passed away Saturday, April 6th at Sweetwater Hospital. He retired from Mayfield Dairy with 40 years of service and was a member and Deacon at Marshall Hill Baptist Church. Funeral services will be tonight (4-08) at 7 pm at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation beginning at 5 pm this evening at Laycock-Hobbs.





CASA Corridor Spring Fling Fashion Show



Mark your calendars for the first annual CASA Corridor of East Tennessee's Spring Fling Fashion Show Luncheon! This special fund raising event for CASA is scheduled for Saturday, April 13th and will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Athens, Tennessee. Tickets are \$40.00 each and tables of eight are available for sponsorship at \$320.00. Fashions will be provided by The Lily Pad and Relaxed and Refined Menswear of Sweetwater, Tennessee. Models include TWU President Tyler Forrest along with his wife Emily and Athens City Manager Deb Wallace. Athens City Councilman Jordan Curtis will be walking the runway with his wife Amanda and daughter Maddie along with Sue Anne Jones, Melissa Hughes and her daughter Madison, Autumn Lowry, Ashley Copeland, Emily Miller and Janice Hardaway. Skylar Dean and Shane Miller will represent the mens side of fashion as well. Doors open at 11:00 a.m. and a sandwich and salad buffet

catered by Food City will begin at 11:30. The fashion show is set for 12:00 noon. But, before the models show off the latest spring fashions, Kaliyah Grace Williams will share a few words on how CASA has affected her life. Kaliyah went into the McMinn County foster care system as a toddler. Fortunately, she and her sister Jaya were adopted into their forever home thanks in part to the role CASA played during her formative years. Kaliyah's parents, Judith Williams and Marshall Arnwine are proud of Kaliyah's resilience and determination throughout her foster care journey. Judith and Marshall were not only foster parents but were CASA volunteers from 2008-2013. Kaliyah learned from them the importance of advocacy at an early age as she began volunteering at the annual CASA Awareness Walk/5K at age six. Now 15, Kaliyah has excelled in theatre, public speaking, academics and service. She has maintained a 4.0 GPA throughout her high school years. She is already receiving invitations to attend major universities upon graduation. You can see Kaliyah in the upcoming play "Mama Mia" at McMinn County High School April 18th - 21st. The mission of CASA Corridor of East Tennessee is to recruit, train and supervise citizen volunteers to speak out for the best interest of abused and/or neglected children in the juvenile courts of McMinn, Meigs and Rhea Counties. it is estimated that around 1,900 children are abused or neglected every day and research shows that a child with a CASA volunteer is half as likely to re-enter the foster care system. Since its beginnings, CASA Corridor of East Tennessee has served over 5,000 children and logged in 156, 617 hours of service provided by 1,500 advocates in Tennessee. To purchase tickets for the Spring Fling, contact the CASA office at 423/746-9037, stop by the office located at 112 E. Washington Ave. across from Johnson's Home Furnishings, by email at information@casacorridor.org or through the website at www.casacorridor.org



Community News You Can Use

• Join E.G. Fisher Public Library TODAY from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm for a solar eclipse viewing experience. Come and Go as you like while participating in different family friendly activity stations. In case of rain, they'll move the festivities indoors with livestream viewing. FREE Activities include crafts, temporary tattoos, music, bubbles, games, movie, storytimes and more. Bring chairs and blankets for a cozy viewing experience. Eclipse glasses are available, but in limited supply. Youth meals served from 4 - 4:30 pm.



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Arrest Reports 04/03/24

- Alexander Barnett, 33 of Athens, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Domestic Assault and Vandalism. Bond was assigned of \$2,000.
- Casey Massingale, 45 of Athens, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Violation of Probation and Driving under the Influence. No bond was assigned.
- Joseph Cucciarre, 68 of Cleveland, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Aggravated Reckless Driving. He was held without bond and made to serve 48 hours in the McMinn County Justice Center.
- Clifford Winstead, 43 of Etowah, was arrested by the Tennessee Highway Patrol for Driving on a Revoked License, Violation of an Order of Protection and Introduction of Contraband into a Penal Facility. Bond was assigned of \$6,500.
- Chad Silman, 33 of Etowah, was arrested by the Drug Task Force for Simple Possession of Schedule II Fentanyl. No bond was assigned.
- Kendall Mooney, 32 of Etowah, was arrested by the Drug Task Force for a Federal Warrant, Possession of Schedule II Fentanyl for Resale, Possession of Schedule VI Cannabis, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, and Maintaining a Dwelling for the Use of a Controlled Substance. He is being held without bond.
- Savannah Brown, 24 of Sweetwater was arrested by the Drug Task Force in relation to a Warrant from Monroe County. She was held without bond awaiting transfer to Monroe County.
- Jeremy Lipps, 32 of Athens, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Theft of Property Shoplifting. He was assigned a bond of \$1,000.
- Mason Dean, 20 of Englewood, was arrested by the Tennessee Highway Patrol for Driving Under the Influence and Improper Lane Usage. Bond was assigned of \$1,000.

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- Mildred Carl, 44 of Ten Mile, was arrested by the Athens PD for Disorderly Conduct and Resisting Arrest. Bond was assigned of \$2,000.
- Brian Austin Morgan, 35 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Driving on a Revoked License, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, Warrants in Bradley County, and Introduction of Contraband into a Penal Facility. Bond was assigned of \$5,000.
- David Womac, 21 of Athens, was arrested by the McMinn County Sheriff's Office for Driving Under the Influence. He was held without bond and sentenced to serve 48 hours in the McMinn County Justice Center.

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



