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Cardiac Patient Airlifted from Englewood Elementary Field



Monroe County EMS requested assistance from the Englewood Rural Fire Department Monday to establish a landing zone at the Englewood Elementary School football field for a medical helicopter transport.

A cardiac patient was airlifted by Life Force to Erlanger Hospital in Chattanooga for further treatment. The Englewood Police Department also assisted at the scene.

Photo courtesy of Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department

Community News You Can Use

- Athens City School would like to announce that Registration for **NEW** Pre-K - 8th Grade students for the 2025-26 School Year is now open. Parents of prospective students will need to visit the ACS Administration Office (943 Crestway Drive, Athens) on Monday - Thursday between 8:00am and 4:00pm. More info found [HERE](#). For questions, call **Morning Fax** (423) 745-2863
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- Athens City Schools and the USDA is once again offering Free Meals for Children aged 18 and younger Monday through Friday beginning on June 2 - July 18. Times and locations vary and can be found at the link [HERE](#) For info to provide free meals for VBS or Summer Camp programs, call (423) 333-3347

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Athens, Tennessee

Driver Escapes Serious Injury After Early Morning Crash on Hwy 39E



A single-vehicle accident occurred around 5:30 a.m. Monday on Highway 39 East near County Road 463 after the driver of a 2007 Honda FIT reportedly fell asleep at the wheel.

The vehicle left the roadway, striking an embankment and ditch. The driver sustained minor injuries but declined medical treatment at the scene.

Responding agencies included the McMinn County Sheriff's Department, Englewood Rural Fire Department, and the Tennessee Highway Patrol. The crash was investigated by THP Trooper Travis Ryans.

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Athens, Tennessee

2025 Soap Box Derby Coverage Rolls In on WYXI Radio



WYXI Radio is gearing up for full coverage of the 2025 FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby, bringing local and national excitement straight to your radio dial. Coverage of the local Athens race kicks off at **10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 31**, as young racers take to Keith Lane for a day of thrilling downhill competition.

On Saturday at 10 a.m., **live reports will be broadcast and they will be continuing throughout race day.**

Looking ahead, the **National-International Championship in Akron, Ohio** takes place on **Saturday, July 19**, with **weeklong coverage beginning Monday, July 14.**

Additional Soap Box Derby coverage will also be featured here in *The Morning Fax*. Sponsors of the broadcast include A&J Body Shop & Wrecker Service. Dooley Tractor Company, Athens Barn Center, Athens Utilities Board. Starr Cardiology Associates and Domino's Pizza. Stay tuned and don't miss a moment of this exciting **Morning Fax®** summer tradition!

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Tennessee to Host NCAA Baseball Regional



For the fourth time in five years, the Tennessee Volunteers will host an NCAA Baseball Regional at Lindsey Nelson Stadium as they begin their 2025 postseason run and defend their national title.

The Knoxville Regional features No. 2 seed Wake Forest (ACC), No. 3 seed Cincinnati (Big 12), and No. 4 seed Miami (OH), the Mid-American Conference champion. Tennessee, the No. 14 national seed, opens play on Friday, May 30 at 6 p.m. ET against Miami (OH), following the 1 p.m. matchup between Wake Forest and Cincinnati. Both games will stream live on ESPN+.

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UT is making its sixth consecutive NCAA Tournament appearance and 15th overall. At home, the Vols have been dominant, posting a 23-5 all-time record in NCAA regional games at Lindsey Nelson Stadium, including a perfect 9-0 under Vitello.

A limited number of single-session standing-room-only tickets will be available to the public at the stadium beginning 90 minutes before each game. The first 500 University of Tennessee students will be admitted free to all postseason games. Season ticket holders had first access to postseason ticket purchases.

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Athens, Tennessee

Power Outage in Englewood After Utility Pole Fire



A power pole fire caused by a shorted capacitor bank disrupted electricity for residents near County Roads 415 and 408 on Monday morning around 8 a.m.

The incident resulted in a power outage lasting approximately 2.5 hours. Crews from the McMinn County Sheriff's Department, Englewood Rural

Fire Department, and Athens Utilities Board (AUB) responded to the scene.

Photo courtesy of Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department

Obituaries

Gerald M. Vibbert, 86 of Athens, passed away peacefully in his home on Sunday, May 25. He was a graduate of Middle Tennessee State University. Gerald served in the Army National Guard for a number of years then worked for Equifax for more than thirty years. He later worked as an insurance adjuster until his retirement. Following retirement, he worked as a substitute teacher at McMinn County High School and part time at Ingles. Gerald was a long time member of Trinity United Methodist Church. A private ceremony will be held at a later date. Smith Funeral and Cremation Services of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

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