

OSMENT FLOORING

discount outlet

(423) 252-0316

30 YEARS EXPERIENCE

Drastically Reduced pricing on LVP Flooring to make room for our NEW TOP QUALITY CABINETS!!

Carpet starting at .69/sq.ft.
Linoleum starting at .89/sq.ft.

Small batch flooring as low as \$15/box!!!

Ask about our "Match & Beat ANY Price" Policy

2412 Congress Pkwy South, Athens

The Morning Fax[®]

Today's News. This Morning.

Okay to distribute
(with attribution)

Click here to send your stories to
wyradio@gmail.com



Help for Addiction to
Alcohol, Drugs,
Tobacco, Bondage,
Anger Management
and more Life Issues.

Free outreach deliverance classes
are held every Thursday 7:00 pm at
Planted in Christ Outreach Fellowship
317 Maple Street, Athens.

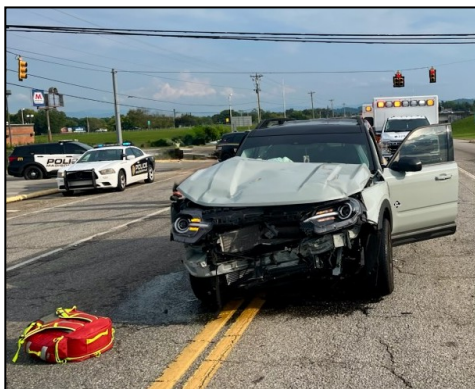
For more information: 423-435-8986
HOPE to see you there!

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

Page 1

Athens, Tennessee

Three Injured in Madisonville Crash



Three people were injured Monday evening in a two-vehicle crash at the intersection of Highway 68 and Englewood Road.

The accident, which occurred around 5:30 p.m., involved a 2024 Ford Bronco

and a 2020 Dodge Ram. The driver and passenger of the Bronco, along with a passenger in the Ram, were treated at the scene by Monroe County EMS before being transported to Sweetwater Hospital.

Responding agencies included Madisonville City Fire, Etowah Rural Fire, and Englewood Rural Fire. Madisonville Police Sgt. Kyle Day is investigating the accident. Madisonville City Fire Chief Mike Smullen was in command of the scene.

Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural FD

Community News You Can Use

- *The City of Athens Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting originally scheduled for September 24 has been cancelled.*
- There will be a free Household Hazardous Waste Collection drop-off event for Monroe County this Saturday, Sept. 27, 8 a.m.–noon at Monroe County Highway Dept., 3475 New Hwy. 68, Madisonville. Accepted items include cleaning fluids, pesticides, pool chemicals, and batteries. Info: (423) 442-2497.
- The City of Athens Public Works Department announces the following street closure:

COLLEGE STREET from Jackson Street to Long Street. This closure will be on Wednesday, September 24 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The purpose of this closure is for the Tennessee Wesleyan University Student Life Event Gaming Truck. For more information, please contact the Office of the Public Works Department at 423-744-2745.

MCMINN TANK & PIPE



We offer same day & next day delivery!

- 1,000 gal Tank & Lowboys
- 1,000 & 1,500 gal Pump Tanks
- 2' & 3' Chamber Pipe
- 3" Schedule 40 Pipe
- Risers in Lids for Easy Pumping

423-507-9487
423-744-0121

If it's not listed,
call us!



LIKE & FOLLOW
US ON FACEBOOK

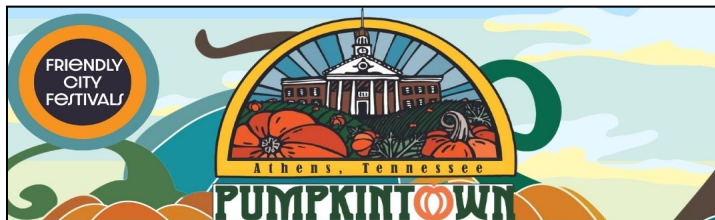
CLICK HERE OR VISIT
[FACEBOOK.COM/WYXI1390](https://www.facebook.com/wyxi1390)

Let Traci help with your 401K rollover.



Traci White
Athens Branch Manager
1314 Decatur Pike
Athens, TN 37303
423-634-8310

Federally insured by NCUA



Scott Crisp Memorial PowWow

Live entertainment
on 3 stages
Mayfield Farm Park
Corn Maze
Pumpkin Plinko
Hiking for Healing Live
Auction

McMinn County Living Heritage Museum's 41st

Annual Quilt Show
USS Ware Brick
Ceremony
MRHS Mutt Strutt &
Adopt-a-thon
Local Shopping

October 11, 10–5 PM
Downtown Athens

WWW.FRIENDLYCITYFESTIVALS.COM





100 Decatur Pike, Athens (423) 745-4704

VISIT OUR SHOWROOM FEATURING CABINETRY
FROM THE FOLLOWING BRANDS

MANTRA™

KITH KITCHENS



Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2025

Morning Fax®...Today's News This Morning Page 2

Athens, Tennessee

Multiple Agencies Respond to House Fire



A fire broke out Monday around 2:30 p.m. in the 200 block of Creek Road, prompting a large mutual aid response from area fire departments.

The Christiansburg Fire Department requested assistance from Englewood, Madisonville, Tellico Plains, Notchey Creek, Niota, Hopewell, Mount Vernon, and Gudger fire departments. Monroe County EMS, the Monroe County Sheriff's Department, and Sweetwater Utilities were also on standby.

Incident command was led by Todd Torbett. The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

Photo by David Prater, Niota FD

Arts Center awarded National Grant

Athens Area Council for the Arts + The Arts Center announced recently that it was awarded a 2025 Civic Hub grant from the Trust for Civic Life, a national grant maker supporting rural communities. This funding will support the group's work in bringing the people of Athens and McMinn County together in new and meaningful ways.

Through its Civic Hubs grants program, the Trust for Civic Life invests \$8 million annually into locally-led groups across rural America that strengthen civic engagement and create opportunities for long-term community collaboration. These grants support a wide range of efforts like local events, public spaces, new programs, and communitywide initiatives – all designed to bring neighbors together to solve challenges and build stronger connections.

The Trust's grants program aims to reach and fund groups working on the ground that are difficult for national philanthropy to find and fund. The latest round of funding awarded \$8 million in grants ranging from \$150K to \$500K each, with new grantees together serving 382 rural counties across the country.

Source: Lauren Brown, AACA

Pickleball Tournament

United Way of McMinn Meigs Counties
September 27, 2025

SCAN HERE!

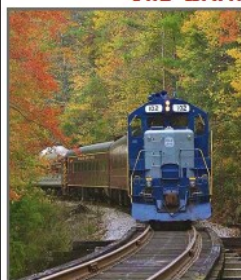


Download
PickleballDen
to sign up!



You Gotta Ride This Train!!!

VENTURE ALONG THE HIWASSEE RIVER GORGE,
OVER THE FAMOUS HIWASSEE BAIL LOOP AND
THE HIWASSEE RIVER SCENIC RAILROAD.



There's nothing more magical
than riding through the colorful
Cherokee Forest in the Fall to
create an unforgettable family
memory. Call for schedule/
reservations: 423-263-7840
or online TVRail.com



The Morning Fax®

Today's News. This Morning.

Okay to distribute
(with attribution)

Click here to send your stories to
wyradio@gmail.com

FAITH & FINANCE with Rob West

Addressing Today's
Financial Questions with
Biblical Answers.

Listen on WYXI
FM 94.5 and AM 1390
Mon. - Fri. 10:30 am
Sat. 6:30 am



Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2025

Morning Fax®...Today's News This Morning Page 3

Athens, Tennessee

McMinn East Cross Country places Third, Headed to State Meet



Congratulations to the McMinn East girls' cross country team! They placed third on Saturday at the TMSAA sectional meet and will advance to the state championship on October 4 in Clarksville, Tennessee

Source: Sarah Carroll, Etowah City Schools

Pictured Left to Right:

Lillian Hosier, Londyn Walker, Asa Spurling, Imri Hitson, Abby Brinkley, Lucy Church, Alyson Swafford, Coach Barry Carroll

HEALING HEARTS FROM THE INSIDE OUT

Join us for a day of healing and hope

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4TH
10 AM - 3 PM**

This is a free kid's camp providing support and connection for children and teens who have experienced the loss of a loved one.

To register: Scan the QR Code or go to
clearwaterbc.org/upcoming-events

Location: 964 Co Rd 180, Athens, TN 37303
Lunch will be provided



Save the Date

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH

We're excited to invite you to your local branch for our Customer Appreciation Day, celebrating you, our customers and community.

Thank You!

Madisonville • Tellico Plains • Sweetwater • Vonore • Loudon
Athens • Maryville • Ducktown • McCaysville & Blue Ridge, GA



Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens

"59 Years of Dedicated Service"

Jerry E. Smith, LFD, 1010 S. White Street • Athens

A Complete Funeral Home, Chapel & Visitation Rooms

A caring staff of professional, licensed directors • Only the best quality funeral supplies •

Made in the U.S.A. • Any type of service you desire • We serve all faiths. •

We offer pre-planning service • Competitive pricing • Locally owned & operated.

Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2025

Morning Fax®...Today's News This Morning Page 4

Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

Charles "Charlie" C. Brown, 82 of Athens, passed away on Monday, September 22 at Morning Pointe of Athens. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Riceville. He was associated with Olin Chemicals as an Electrician until his retirement. A graveside service will be conducted, 11:00 am, Saturday, September 27. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 5:00-7:00 pm, Friday, September 26. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is honored to serve the family of Charles Charlie C. Brown.

Dennis Leon Dunn, 78 of Athens, passed away Monday, September 22 at Bradley Medical Center in Cleveland. He was a Veteran of the U.S. Army. He retired from the railroad after 35 years and was an avid golfer and sports fan. Funeral Services will be at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, September 24 in the chapel of Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Tracy "Marty" Martin Thompson, age 63, a native and lifelong resident of McMinn County, passed away on Tuesday, September 23. He served as a a deacon for many years at Walnut Grove Baptist Church and was a member of the gospel group, "The Walnut Grove Boys". Marty enjoyed spending time with his family, especially grilling out and relaxing in the pool. Marty was employed by Textron Automotive/Collins & Aikman for 27 years. A visitation will be held at Walnut Grove Baptist Church on Friday, September 26, from 4:00-7:00 PM with a funeral service to follow at 7:00 PM. Graveside services will be held at Walnut Grove Cemetery on Saturday, September 27 at 11:00 AM. Ziegler Funeral Home has been entrusted with the care of Tracy "Marty" Martin Thompson.

We encourage you to e-mail community events, church news, or other items of interest for possible use in the Morning Fax. If you take a newsworthy photograph, send it to: wyxiradio@gmail.com

TN WESLEYAN SUNDAY LUNCH IS BACK



Start your Sunday off right with our delicious and decadent Sunday Lunch on the TN Wesleyan Campus! Join us for a wide variety of lunch classics and new favorites to satisfy your cravings. Served all you care to eat style!

Date: Every Sunday

"When school is in session."

Time: 11am-1:30pm

Location: Sherman Dining Hall

204 E College Street, Athens TN 37303

Scan and select the upcoming Sunday from the lunch meal period.



McMinn County Arrest Reports

9-22-25

Randy Pratt, 61 of Niota, charged with failure to appear for driving on a suspended license.

Tracy Armstrong, 49 of Athens, charged with violation of probation for leaving the scene of an accident, Bond \$1,515.85

Heath Langley, 33 of Athens, charged with criminal trespassing with no bond.

Those accused are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Information gathered from Public

Sources



• Pool and Spa Chemicals
• We do WATER TESTING
ALL YEAR LONG!

103 Dynasty Way • Athens
423-745-1425
www.dynastyspas.com

FALL IS
Spa Season
Come and get your spa today!

WE HAVE EVERYTHING YOU NEED FOR

Pool Closing
And EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO
KEEP YOUR POOL OPEN ALL YEAR!

