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Monday, November 16, 2015

Athens, Tennessee

Local & Area News

◆ 2ND VOTE ON SALES TAX HIKE TOMORROW

The Athens City Council holds its monthly meeting tomorrow at 6 p.m. The big item on the agenda will be the second and final vote on a .75 percent increase in the local option sales tax. The first vote last month passed 3 to 2. A resolution to roll back the property tax failed to pass. Mayor Ann Davis says the rollback resolution will be offered again, with the stipulation that the property tax hike will be rescinded if the sales tax increase passes in the March 1st referendum.

◆ THIS IS AMERICA RECYCLES WEEK

The Athens Public Works Department and Keep McMinn Beautiful will be hosting America Recycles Week this week at the Recycle Center on Rocky Mount Road. The event includes a canned food drive to benefit Coordinated Charities and a Keep McMinn Beautiful membership drive. Anyone who joins Keep McMinn Beautiful this week will receive a free recycle bin. The Recycle Center continues to accept mixed paper, plastics 1 and 2, cardboard, glass, tin cans, used motor oil, scrap metal, and aluminum cans. You should take the time to sort through your recycle material before arriving at the Center. Remember, they do NOT accept plastic bags.

NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL NEWS

◆ Six separate terrorist attacks in Paris, France on Friday night have claimed the lives of 129 people and another 350+ people were wounded, some of them critically.

◆ All seven of the Paris terrorists detonated suicide belts. The attacks in Paris were prepared in Belgium and the suspects received help in France. Three of the suspects were French nationals. Two of them had been living in Belgium. A Syrian passport was found on the body of another one of the attackers.

◆ A college student from California is the first American fatality identified in the Paris terror attacks. Nohemi Gonzalez, 23, a senior design major at California State University-Long Beach, was killed at one of the restaurants struck by terrorists Friday night.

THIS IS AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

Students from Athens City and McMinn County Schools will be broadcasting announcements on WYXI RADIO AM-1390 this week in support of American Education Week. In the photo is Braden Earps (L) and Kayleigh Ridley, both 5th graders at North City School, recording their announcements. (Photo by Holly Owens)



◆ **A Riceville man**, 66-year-old Cliff Drumright, was killed Saturday morning when he and some of his family were cutting trees and one of them fell on a track-hoe that Drumright was operating.

◆ **Connie Farmer**, a woman from Englewood, has ended her mission to find-out what it is like to be "Homeless in McMinn". Connie has been posting the challenges that she faced in a blog. For a detailed account click: <http://homelessinmcminn.wordpress.com/>

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Cafeteria and Auditorium**

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Obituaries

- **Susan Lynn Blair McDowell**, age 53, of Athens, died last Tuesday at her home. She worked for many years for Jackie Baker at Wholesale Auto before retiring. A Memorial Service was held on Saturday at the Athens Free Saints True Holiness Church. Companion Funeral Home of Cleveland was in charge.
- **Imogene Brock Thompson Rowland Brunk**, age 78, of Benton, died last Wednesday at her home. She was a self employed hairdresser working from her home and also at Etowah Healthcare. A Celebration of her Life was held Sunday at Serenity Funeral Home.
- **Timothy "Tim" Lee Lankford, Sr.**, age 55, of Decatur, died last Wednesday. Graveside services were held Saturday at Sharp Cemetery. Bowers Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.
- **Diann Antineat "Netta" Goldston-Shropshire**, age 40, died last Tuesday. A memorial service will be held at Bowers Funeral Home at 2 p.m. on Monday with visitation from 1-2 at Bowers.
- **Leroy W. "Jon" Johnson**, age 59, of Madisonville, died last Wednesday at his home. A private Memorial Service will be held at a later date. Serenity Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- **Mary Christine Robinson Lunsford**, age 72, of Ten Mile, died last Thursday at Parkwest Medical Center in Knoxville. She had worked at Thomas and Betts until her retirement. A Funeral Service was held Sunday evening at the Walnut Grove Baptist Church near Decatur. Smith Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Obituaries- continued

- **Mildred "Millie" Riggs**, age 89, of Ten Mile, died last Thursday at her home. The family will have a Memorial Service at Sample Baptist Church in Cleveland at a later date. Bowers Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- **Beatrice Merrell Wilcox**, age 86, of Reliance, died Saturday at McMinn Memorial Nursing Home in Etowah. She had worked as a cook at Greasy Creek School, Benton Manufacturing, and retired from American Uniform Company. A Funeral Service will be Monday at 8 p.m. at Bordwine Funeral Home; visitation 6-8 p.m.
- **Jimmy Dewayne Kugler**, age 56, of Athens, died last Friday at his home. A funeral Service will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- **Lizie Jean Couey**, age 84, of Decatur, died last Friday at her home. A Funeral Service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Bowers Funeral Home with visitation from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday at Bowers.
- **Ray Charles Crabtree**, age 90, of Ten Mile, died last Friday. A Funeral Service will be held Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Bowers Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at Bowers.
- **Clifford Gene (Cliff) Drumright**, age 66, of Riceville, died last Saturday. He was employed with TNT Concrete Company. Funeral Services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Mt. Harmony Baptist Church of Riceville with visitation from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

FOOTBALL: Tennessee defeated North Texas 24 - 0 for a Homecoming win on Saturday. Tennessee plays at Missouri next Saturday at 7:15 p.m. ET on ESPN2.

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