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Friday, July 14, 2017

Athens, Tennessee

STATE & LOCAL NEWS

◆ MORE ON DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES

Yesterday, we featured a story about the businesses affected by the recent fire in Downtown Athens. We failed to mention the Prissy Closet. All of their merchandise was lost due to smoke damage which blew across the street and into the store. Missy Ford says all of the merchandise has been removed. At this point, she does not know about a re-opening date. Also, Patti Greek at Greek's Bearing Gifts says they are still hoping for a re-opening in 8 to 12 weeks.

◆ TINA SOUTH NAMED DIRECTOR OF YEAR

Tina South, Executive Director of the McMinn Senior Activity Center, has been named Director of the Year by the Southeast Tennessee Area Agency on Aging and Disability.

Tina has worked as Executive Director at the Activity Center since October of 2015, and has brought many new and fun events and activities to the Center. The photo shows, left to right: South and Kathy Dougherty, MSAC Chairman of the Board.



National & World News

◆ A 57-year-old woman from New Zealand was killed Wednesday, after being knocked over by the blast of air released from a jet engine at a beach in St. Maarten. The Caribbean island is known for its main airport's extremely close proximity to the beach. The woman struck a concrete platform and died a short while later.

◆ President Donald Trump defended his son, Donald Jr., again over the controversial meeting he held with a Russian attorney during the campaign last year, calling him a "great young man" and saying that "most people would have taken that meeting."

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ Athens City Schools will have Pre-Registration Day for all NEW students for the 2017-2018 school year on Tuesday, July 18th. The time is 3 to 6 p.m. and the location is Athens City Middle School. Required documents: Birth Certificate, Social Security Card, Immunization Record, and Proof of Residency.

✓ An Ikebana Class on "Japanese Flower Arranging" will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 noon today at the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum. Call the museum for details at 745-0329.

✓ The Sounds of Summer Concert at Market Park Pavilion this Saturday at 7 p.m. will feature Joe Lasher, Jr., as the headliner. The opening act is Brittany McLamb.

✓ Downtown Summer Nights in Decatur at 6 p.m. Saturday will feature Kudzu, Ashley Clark, Tyson Leamon, and The Kentucky Headhunters.



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Church News and Events

- ~ Community Baptist Church at 120 County Road 287 in Niota will have revival services Sunday, July 16th, through Wednesday, July 19th. Services will be at 6 p.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. There will be different speakers each night and music will be different groups each night.
- ~ You are invited to come and listen to Pam Weston of Knoxville. She will be singing at Pope Avenue Baptist church on Pope Street in Athens on July 15th at 7 p.m.
- ~ Glorybound Church on Isbill Road in Madisonville will have Twice Born singing at 6 p.m. on July 16th.
- ~ Boyd Memorial First Church of God on Highway 11, Athens, will have a singing at 6 p.m. on Saturday, July 15th.
- ~ Marshall Hill Baptist Church in Niota will have a one-day Vacation Bible School on Saturday, July 22nd, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be classes for all ages.
- ~ A benefit program to raise money for medical expenses for Deacon Robert W. Arnwine from Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church will be held at the church on Saturday, August 5th, at 5 p.m. Various Gospel groups and distinguished community leaders will be participating. The church is located at 711 County Road 275, Niota.

Obituaries

- ♦ **Margaret H. Shelton**, age 92, of Etowah, died Wednesday at Starr Regional Rehab Center of Etowah. Arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Steve Franklin "Bones" Stokes**, age 46, of Decatur, died Wednesday at his home. He was employed at Tennessee River Implement as a welder. A celebration of life will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at Union Grove Baptist Church on old Highway 30 east in Decatur, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at the church. Companion Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks closed higher, led by the financial sector. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 21 points or 0.1% to 21,553. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 5 points or 0.2% to 2,448, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 13 points or 0.2% to 6,274. In Bond Markets, the 30-year Treasury yield closed higher at 2.91%, and the 10-year Treasury yield finished higher at 2.34%. In Commodity Markets, the spot price of gold fell \$2.41 to \$1,218.07, and the price of crude oil rose \$0.56 to \$46.05. U.S. Treasuries were lower, giving back some of Wednesday's gains.

MOBILE HOME FIRE NEAR ETOWAH

A mobile home fire erupted around noon on Thursday on County Road 883 near Etowah. No one was at home at the time and the home was fully involved. The Englewood and Etowah Rural Fire Departments responded. Photo by Lynn Ingram with the Englewood Rural Fire Department.



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