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Athens, Tennessee

STATE & LOCAL NEWS

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Athens Police Department will hold its 2017 Community Partnership Event this Saturday, Sept. 16th from 3 to 7 p.m. at Market Park Pavilion in Downtown Athens. There will be free food, drinks, and ice cream. There will also be inflatable slides, an obstacle course, a climbing wall, an electronic skeet shoot, and a Bungee Run. A children's bicycle safety course will be conducted. The first 100 children that compete will receive a free bicycle helmet. The police department will provide the bicycles, and at the end of the event there will be a drawing to give away six bicycles. There will be other give-aways, including several coolers.
- ✓ The next Organic Gardening Workshop will be held at 6 p.m. today at E.G. Fisher Public Library. The workshop topic will be "Season Extension and Cover Crops." The workshop is free and open to the public.
- ✓ The Dairy Barn is hosting "Dairy Barn Days for United Way" Friday and Saturday. They will donate a portion of their sales on those days to the United Way of McMinn and Meigs Counties.
- ✓ The AMVETS Post 100 on County Road 813 will have a Horse Shoe Tournament this Saturday starting at 2 p.m. This will be a blind partner tournament. They will also have barbeque available. Everyone is invited to attend.

National - World News

- ◆ One student is dead and three others are injured after a school shooting near Spokane, Washington. The shooter has been apprehended and is in custody. The wounded were transported to a local hospital and are expected to survive.
- ◆ Eight people are dead after Hurricane Irma knocked out air conditioning at a nursing home in Hollywood, Florida. The causes of their deaths were not immediately clear. The entire facility was evacuated due to the cooling issues. All patients were evacuated to hospitals. The deaths are under investigation.

WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. markets ended the day slightly higher. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 39 points to 22,158. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 2 points to 2,498, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 6 points to 6,460.

◆ 18 HOLE DISC GOLF COURSE IS OPEN

The Athens Parks and Recreation Department announces the Grand Opening of the Disc Golf Course at Athens Regional Park. In celebration of the much anticipated back nine, which is now open for play, there will be a tournament this Sunday for both amateurs and professionals. The ribbon cutting will be held at 1:15 p.m. to be followed by the tournament. All tournament players will receive a commemorative mini-disc. Register for the tournament by calling H. B. Clark at 270-843-3313.

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2017 Jackson Day Dinner

The McMinn County Democratic Party recently held its annual Jackson Day fundraising dinner. The featured speaker was Democratic gubernatorial candidate Karl Dean. Pictured below, left to right are: Evonne Hayes, Bill Ratledge, Karl Dean, and Dr. Danielle Mitchell.

(Photo courtesy of DiAnn Leman)



Obituaries

♦ **L.G. Bucy**, age 86, of Athens, died Wednesday at Starr Regional Health and Rehab in Etowah. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral Home.

♦ **Wesley "Leon" Millsaps**, age 47, of Riceville, died Wednesday at Erlanger. He was a farmer, a jailer under Sheriff George Rogers, and a security guard at M&M Mars. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m.

♦ **William Lawson "Doug" Nunley**, age 65, of Jacksonville, Florida (and formerly of Athens), died Tuesday Sept. 5th, at a rehab center in Jacksonville after a lengthy battle with cancer. He retired from the Navy after 23 years of service, including service during the Gulf War and Desert Storm. At his request, there will be no visitation or service. Obituary announcement courtesy of Ziegler Funeral Home.

♦ **Sheryl Ann Elliott**, age 59, of Decatur, died Monday at Erlanger Medical Center. A graveside service will be held at a later date at Chattanooga National Cemetery. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of the arrangements.

♦ **Marie Byrd Sipe**, age 89, of Athens, died Wednesday at Starr Regional Medical Center. She was a native of St. Petersburg, Florida and a resident of Knoxville and McMinn County for the past 87 years. A private graveside service will be at Cedar Grove Cemetery. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

PUMPKINTOWN PET EVENTS



Mutt Strutt 10:30 followed by **Doggie Costume Contest**
Contest registration at 10 or online.
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