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Athens, Tennessee

STATE & LOCAL NEWS

◆ HOUSE FIRE IN TEN MILE

The Meigs County Fire Department was called to a house fire in the Ten Mile area Tuesday night. Firefighters from Stations 3, 4, 5 and 6 responded. There were no injuries, but the house received major damage. Phillip Waller was the Incident Commander at the scene. (Photo by Steve Keylor)



◆ KELSEY BURNETTE BODY RELEASED

The body of Kelsey Burnette, the 18-year-old Etowah murder victim, has been released to the family. A memorial service will be held this Saturday at 3 p.m. at Companion Funeral Home of Athens. Companion has offered to provide the service at no charge to the family. Obituary details on Page 2.

National - World News

◆ A 15-year-old boy is dead and a 16-year-old boy is in critical but stable condition after being stabbed in the chest, allegedly by a fellow student, in the middle of class at their New York City school on Wednesday morning. The 18-year-old suspect was taken into custody and is being interviewed. Police stated that the stabbing appears to be the result of an argument involving the three students that had been going on for about two weeks.

◆ A Florida paraglide pilot is lucky to be alive after he slammed into power lines carrying 7,200 volts of electricity in a St. Petersburg neighborhood. Nearly 40 homes were without power until Duke Energy crews arrived to untangle the paragliding equipment and restore power.

AUB REACTS TO TVA RATE INCREASE

Athens Utilities Board will pass along to its customers an increase in TVA's wholesale power rates that takes effect on October 1st. The AUB directors this week passed a resolution recognizing and passing through the 1.5% increase. AUB says with the upcoming rate hike, TVA has raised rates on AUB more than 40 percent in the past eight years. AUB's General Manager, Eric Newberry, says he suspects that within 60 days of TVA implementing the October rate hike, "we will see headlines announcing annual bonuses exceeding \$100 million."

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Community News You Can Use

✓ The annual "Jimmy Liner Memorial Christmas Parade" is scheduled for Monday, December 4th, at 6:30 p.m. in Downtown Athens. The parade theme this year will be, "What Christmas Means to Me." Applications for businesses, churches, and civic groups who wish to have floats in the parade are available at the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce, temporarily located in the basement of the McMinn County Courthouse.

✓ Due to inclement weather, the Athens Parks and Recreation Department and Tennessee Wesleyan University Lady Bulldogs Softball team have rescheduled the girls' softball mini-camp to October 2nd. The camp will be at Athens Regional Park, Field 5, with check-in at 5:30 p.m. The camp will start at 6 p.m. and end at 8 p.m. Players must pre-register. You can register at the Athens Parks office in the Municipal Building. For more information, call 744-2704.

✓ The Starr Regional Breast Center is hosting a 5K Color Run and Walk to benefit the American Cancer Society and the McMinn County Chapter of Relay for Life. The run will be Saturday, October 7th, beginning at 8 a.m., with registration at 7:30 a.m. on the Eureka Trail in Athens. Participants will receive a free shirt and snacks. Registration is \$25 and can be done online at: StarrRegional.com.

Obituaries

♦ **Kelsey Nicole "KK" Burnette**, age 18, of Etowah died on July 4th. She was a graduate of McMinn Central High School. A memorial service celebrating her life will be held this Saturday at 3 p.m. at Companion Funeral Home at 400 S. White Street in Athens, with visitation from 1 to 3 p.m. at the funeral home.

♦ **Elbert Keith Flynn**, age 68, of Etowah, died last Sunday at his residence. He had worked in maintenance and, most recently, as a counselor. There will be no formal visitation or service. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Johnnie Flora Mae Davis McDonald O'Neal**, age 90, of Athens, died Wednesday at her home. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Sullins Cemetery. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Dustin Thomas Henline**, age 36, of Roane County, died September 21st in Rockwood. At his request, there will be no services at this time. Companion Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Sidney R. Kean**, age 81, of the Claxton community, died Saturday. He was a native of Fort Payne, Alabama and had been a resident of McMinn County since 1960. He worked at Mountain Hosiery Mill, Englewood Telephone Company, WENR Radio Station where he was known as "Uncle Sid", and retired from McKinney Excavating Company in 1993. A Celebration of Sidney's life will be announced at a later date. Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.

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