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Monday, October 16, 2017

Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

◆ FORREST STATUE TO STAY PUT, FOR NOW

The statue of Confederate General Nathan Bedford Forrest will remain in a city park in Memphis, at least for the time being. The Tennessee Historical Commission, meeting at the McMinn Living Heritage Museum in Athens last Friday, overwhelmingly voted to deny a request by Memphis Mayor Jim Strickland (in photo below) to remove the statue. Memphis officials say they will turn to the courts as they continue their efforts to move the statue. The museum was crowded with people on both sides of the issue. There were state troopers and officers from the Athens Police Department and the McMinn County Sheriff's Office inside the meeting room and outside the Museum to ensure that the proceedings were peaceful. The Commission heard from Mayor Strickland and others calling for the removal of the statue as well as arguments from those opposed to moving it. The meeting was scheduled six months ago to be held in Athens on October 13th. The Historical Commission has a practice of moving its quarterly meetings from one city to another.



National & World News

◆ The Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences has voted to expel film producer Harvey Weinstein after dozens of allegations of sexual harassment and sexual assault.

◆ Wildfires have killed at least 40 people and destroyed 5,700 homes and businesses in California. One of the homes that was destroyed was that of Peanuts creator, Charles Schulz. His widow, Jean, escaped before the flames burned the house to the grounds, destroying her late husband's Peanuts memorabilia.



(Cartoon by Mark Flore Animated Political Cartoons)

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Spouses of Veterans with PTSD Support Group meets tomorrow (Tuesday) at 6:30 p.m. at Athens Lutheran Church.
- ✓ The weekly Athens Area Chamber of Commerce "Chamber Chat" radio program will be Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI Radio, AM-1390, FM-94.5 and [ONLINE](#). The guest will be Donnie Gaddis with Farmer's Insurance.



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Pumpkintown Scenes

The annual Pumpkintown Festival was held in Downtown Athens this past Saturday. The photos below were taken by Cheri Harrison and Bruce and Chris Hari. The photos show Charlene and Bear and Felicia and Javier competing in the Potato Dance, Sam Reedy and his dogs, a young lady on a bungee jump ride, and Louie the Spider and his owner, Curtis Burris.



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Obituaries

- ◆ **Daniel Winder**, age 78, of Athens, died Friday at his home. He was retired from Damy Industries. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church in Ten Mile, with visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. Monday at Ziegler Funeral Home.
- ◆ **Don "Grandpappy" Welch**, longtime personality at WTVC Channel 9 TV in Chattanooga, died Sunday after a lengthy illness.

◆ FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD:

The McMinn High Cherokees got a much-wanted win last Friday night as they beat William Blount, 35-14. Blount has yet to win a game this year...Signal Mountain clobbered McMinn Central, 50 to 7...Meigs County clinched the Region 2-2A title with a 28-6 victory over Oneida...and the UT Vols lost to South Carolina on Saturday, 15-9. The Vols take on #1 Alabama next Saturday.

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Tickets are \$50 a person. Some fantastic auction items* will be up for bid and breakfast will be provided by Bojangles at the end of the evening.

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