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Wednesday, January 3, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

## State & Local News

#### PEOPLE ASKED TO REDUCE POWER USE

The extreme cold across the entire Tennessee Valley has caused a tight power supply situation. As a result, TVA and AUB are asking that all electric power customers voluntarily reduce their use of electricity as much as possible until further notice. The reduction is needed to help ensure a continued supply of power to essential services throughout the Tennessee Valley region and avoid interruptions in service. TVA is operating all available generating plants at full capacity. TVA and local power companies also have cut back on power use in their facilities by adjusting thermostats and reducing lighting. They are asking customers to also turn off lights, appliances and electrical equipment when not in use. You should reduce the use of heating by adjusting thermostats to 68 degrees. As much as possible, you should postpone use of hot water and limit the use of electric clothes dryers. The frigid weather is expected to continue into the weekend.

Approximately ten men have taken advantage of the opportunity to stay at the Samaritan House during the cold weather. Samaritan House is located on U.S. South, about a mile and a half south of Athens. Chris Petrillo says they are providing shelter from the cold for homeless men and boys. For information, call 252-0317.

# **National & World News**

- ◆ A new storm is making its way to the Southeast on Wednesday with rain, sleet and some snow making its way to parts of Florida, Georgia and South Carolina, prompting some schools to close. The winter storm is set to hit Wednesday, but ice has already formed on fountains in some southern cities, including Savannah, Georgia, and Charlotte, North Carolina.
- ◆ New York City is set to install more than 1,500 new permanent bollards in Times Square and other public spaces. These metal barriers will help protect pedestrians and will be placed in heavily-populated streets and sidewalks to counter the threat of car-ramming terror attacks and car accidents.

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:**

- ✓ The Athens Parks and Recreation Department will host the 33rd Annual Daddy-Daughter Dance on February 9th and 10th at the McMinn County High School cafeteria. Tickets are \$12 per person and each person attending must have a ticket. There are only 500 tickets available for each dance, and no tickets will be sold at the door. For more information, call 744-2704.
- ✓ The McMinn County Junior Livestock members have Market Hogs available for your freezer. Meat will be available in mid-January and is \$2 per pound (live weight) plus processing fee. All meat has been raised locally by McMinn County 4-H and FFA members. Call 745-2852 for more information.

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## WEATHER FORECAST

Wednesday - Cloudy. High near 38.

Wednesday night - Partly cloudy. Low around 15. Wind chill values between 5 and 10 **Thursday** - Sunny. High near 27. Wind chill values between 2 and 12.

More Weather at: wyxi.com

#### RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT

Western Sizzlin' Steak House-1804 Decatur Pike Wednesday (11a-4p) Petite Sirloin-Side-Bakery Dessert Bar & Rolls, \$6.69. Senior Buffet 2-4 p.m. (55+) for just \$5.99. Phone: 745-2626



January Specials >>>> 5 meals for \$5 ea. 12 piece Tailgate with 6 biscuits & fixins' \$24.99 99¢ Tea • Steak or Sausage Biscuit 99¢ ea. • IT'S BO TIME Famous Chicken 'n Biscuits BOJANGLES South Congress Parkway 744-5292



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TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 105 points or 0.4% to 24,824. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 22 points or 0.8% to 2,696, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 104 points or 1.5% to 7,007.

#### **TODAY IN HISTORY -**January 3rd

1521 - Martin Luther was excommunicated from the Roman Catholic Church. 1892 - J.R.R. Tolkein, author of the fantasy novel "Lord of the Rings," was born.

1959 - Alaska became the 49th state. The bought Alaska from Russia in 1867 for \$7.2 million which amounted to about 2 -cents per acre.

**1961-** The United States severed diplomatic relations with Cuba.

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### **Obituaries**

- Brandi Shea Russell Rasnake, age 42, of Athens, died December 28th at Sweetwater Hospital. She had been employed by Collins & Aikman. A memorial service, to be held by Everlasting Life Baptist Church in Englewood, will be announced at a later date. Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge.
- ◆ **Dianne Sisson,** age 80, of Etowah, died Sunday. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 1 to 2 p.m.
- Peggy J. Watson, age 67, of Englewood, died Tuesday. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.
- Edna June Peeler, age 82, of Englewood, died January 1st at Athens Place. She retired from Eureka Garment in 1996. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 1 to 2 p.m.
- Laverne Davis, age 87, of Athens, died Sunday at Etowah Health Care Center. She was a native of Simpsonville, Texas, and had lived in McMinn County since 1995. She was a retired bookkeeper for an insurance company in Texas. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- Ruth Jean Booker Rule, age 90, of Etowah, died Monday at her home. A native of Knoxville, TN, she lived in Etowah most of her life. She worked at Donald Rule's Drug Store and Rule Furniture Store with her late husband Charlie Rule. Funeral services will be Friday at 7 p.m. at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at Bordwine.
- Raymond Frye, age 82, died Tuesday. He was retired from Athens Furniture. Funeral services will be Friday at 1 p.m. at Companion Funeral Home of Athens with visitation Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

## **SRMC Welcomes 1st 2018 Baby**

Starr Regional Medical Center has welcomed the first bundle of joy of 2018. Weighing 7 pounds and 5 ounces and measuring 19.5 inches, Enzo, was born to Stacey and Nicholas, on Monday, January 1st, at 12:21 p.m. Enzo was presented a handmade quilt from Jane Phillips, President of the Heritage Quilt Guild as well as a gift basket from Starr Regional Medical Center. Starr Regional's Women's Center is committed to providing high quality, compassionate care close to home for new and expecting parents. To learn more or to schedule an appointment, please call 745-1411, or visit <u>StarrRegional.com</u>. In the photo: (L-R) Jane Phillips (standing, far left), and the Starr Regional nursing staff. On the right are father, Nicholas, holding big sister Blyss. Sitting is mother, Stacey, holding baby Enzo.





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McMinn County Living Heritage Museum January Exhibits and Heritage School Programs

Until January 31, 2018 (daily) "Free at Last" Emancipation & Reconstruction in **Tennessee Exhibit** 

A Tennessee Civil War Exhibit Also on display, artifacts from a local African-American church

Hours: Tuesday - Friday Saturday, Jan 6 @ 11 AM-1 PM (10am-5pm) Saturday (10am-4pm)

Cherokee Basket Weaving by Tonya Dockery

Saturday, Jan 13 @ 11 AM- 1 PM Woodworking (Shaker Chair) by Johnny McGrew 522 W. Madison Ave

Saturday, Jan 27 @ 11 AM- 1 PM History of the Van Dyke House by Lisa Long & Jeff Wilkins

Tuesday, Jan 30 @ 6:30 PM Running Around The World by Rob Preston

Heritage School Programs: Cost \$5 non-members, Members Free Heritage School is sponsored by the C. Scott & Muriel Mayfield Family Foundation

83rd Birthday Celebration  $SAT \sim JAN \sim 6th \sim 7:30$ Doors open at 6:30 PM Stewart Chapman Brandon E GENERAL \$15 '68 Comeback RESERVED \$20 TICKET OUTLETS IN ETOWAH &N Depot Museum **Etowah Community Center** or purchase tickets by calling 865-684-6082Ronnie Miller Stewart Chapman EBIT Accepted for advance purchased tickets '50's Era Elvis Gospel