

2018 POLAR BEAR WALK

Saturday, Feb. 24th 11am
held at **New Attitude**
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Wednesday, February 21, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

State & Local News

◆ SUV FIRE ON HIGHWAY 411

A 2002 GMC Envoy caught fire on Highway 411 south of Englewood on Monday morning. The Englewood and Etowah Rural Fire Departments responded, along with the Englewood City Police Department and the McMinn County Sheriff's Department.

(Photo by Tim King from Englewood)



◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The Tennessee Highway Patrol will conduct a Sobriety Checkpoint at Highway 305 and County Road 218 this Friday at 10 p.m.

National & World News

◆ President Donald Trump has signed a memorandum directing Attorney General Jeff Sessions to propose new regulations that would ban devices that can effectively turn legal weapons into machine guns.

◆ On Tuesday, many of the students rushed from funerals for classmates killed in a mass shooting at their school to buses chartered to take them to the Florida state capital, where they plan to lobby legislators and rally for tougher gun laws and school safety.

◆ A British man was arrested and charged with murder in connection with the disappearance of his newlywed wife last May. Lewis Bennett claimed that his wife, Isabella Hellman, fell from their catamaran when it hit something in open international waters while he was asleep in the cabin below deck. The couple was on a belated honeymoon sailing trip to the Caribbean. Bennett was arrested on Feb. 16 after an FBI investigation found evidence discrediting his story.

◆ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The Southeast Tennessee Senior Olympic Committee will hold a district-wide CornToss Tournament at the McMinn Senior Activity Center on March 22nd. The deadline to register is tomorrow, Feb. 22nd. Call the Senior Center at 745-6839 to sign up.

✓ The UT Extension Office in McMinn County will hold a free workshop for people who are coping with chronic conditions beginning February 27th for six sessions. The workshop will cover topics like fatigue management, dealing with anger and depression, exercise, healthy eating, and making informed treatment decisions. Pre-register by calling 745-2852.

HEAR

LARRY ELDER

Tue. - Sat.
MIDNIGHT
TO 3 A.M.

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BOJANGLES South Congress Parkway 744-5292

Western Sizzlin' Steak House-1804 Decatur Pike
Wed (11a-4p) Petite Sirloin+Side-Bakery-Dessert Bar
& Rolls, \$6.69. 8 oz Chopped Sirloin w/side, rolls,
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THURSDAY: LOUDON 11:00 - 1:00

FRIDAY: SWEETWATER 10:30-1:30

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WEATHER FORECAST

Wednesday - 50% rain & t'storms. High 78.

Wed. Night - 50% rain & t'storms. Low 60.

Thursday - 50% rain & t'storms. High 74.

Friday - 20% rain. High 77.

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Carl "Ducky" McKinney**, age 86. of Athens, died Monday at his home. He was a farmer all of his life. Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- ♦ **James W. "Bo" Bohannon**, age 79, of McMinn County, died Friday. A Celebration of Life memorial service will be Friday at 7 p.m. at Companion Funeral and Cremation Service of Athens with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- ♦ **Sandra Jo (Nipper) Ratledge**, age 69, of Cleveland, died Monday at her residence after an extended illness. She was a retired school teacher from the Cleveland City School System. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday evening.

TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 255 points or 1% to 24,965. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 16 points or 0.6% to 2,716, and The NASDAQ Composite Index was down 5 points or 0.1% to 7,234.

AUB SAYS POWER RATES TO RISE IN MARCH

Athens Utilities Board says local electric power rates for March will rise by nearly four percent compared to February. The increase is driven by a higher monthly fuel charge from TVA. AUB's Wayne Scarbrough says their customer service representatives are working daily with customers who were hit by unusually high utility bills as a result of the cold snaps in January.

Restaurant Inspection Scores

The following Athens restaurants were inspected between Dec. 16, 2017 and Feb. 9, 2018. A score of 70 and above is passing.

- Taco Bell, 2535 Decatur Pike - 99
- JB's Biscuit Box, Belk's Plaza - 99
- Pizza Hut - 99
- Burger King - 99
- Hardee's I-75 -99
- Sonic - 98
- Tastee King Donuts - 98
- Subway, 1440 Decatur Pike - 98
- Subway, 2625 Decatur Pike - 98
- Subway, 418 South White St. - 97
- Taco Rio - 97
- Krystal - 97
- Taco Bell, 1202 Decatur Pike - 96
- KFC - 95

Others in McMinn County:

- Domino's Pizza, Etowah - 99
- Hardee's, Calhoun - 96
- Little Caesars, Etowah - 95

2018 WOMEN'S HISTORY DAY

Luncheon Celebration

MARCH 8, 2018

11:45 AM to 1:15 PM

McMinn Senior Activity Center, Athens

\$15 per person

Tables of 6 may be reserved

FEATURING

#PressforProgress

Jennifer Hand

Author, Speaker, International Counselor



TODAY IN HISTORY - FEBRUARY 21ST

- 1885** - The Washington Monument was dedicated in our nation's capital, 37 years after the start of construction.
- 1901** - The first Republic of Cuba was created, establishing the island as an independent nation. However, the United States reserved its right to intervene when necessary for the preservation of law and order. A U.S. military government continued to govern the country until Cuba elected its first president in 1902.
- 1947** - Edwin H. Land publicly demonstrated his Polaroid Land camera, which could produce a black-and-white photograph in 60 seconds. The first commercially available model was first sold to the public in November of 1948.
- 1958** - Country singer Mary Chapin Carpenter was born. One of her best-known hit records is "Twist and Shout."
- 1972** - Richard Nixon became the first U.S. President to visit China.
- 1975** - Judge John Sirica sentenced former Nixon administration officials John Mitchell, H.R. Haldeman, and John Erlichman to prison for their roles in the Watergate cover-up.