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Thursday - 80% rain before 10 a.m. High 74.

Thursday Night - Clear. Low around 45.

**Friday -** Sunny. High 67. Saturday - Mostly sunny.

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Thursday, October 11, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

## **State & Local News**

### **♦ FATAL FIRE IN McMINN COUNTY**

A 59-year-old woman died in a camper fire early this past Monday morning on County Road 700. The Riceville and Claxton rural fire departments responded to a residence where they found a camper on fire. After putting out the fire, they found the body of Brenda Sue Combs inside. The Tennessee Bomb and Arson Department is investigating the cause of the fire.

#### **♦ COMMUNITY SCHOOL SURVEY**

The City of Athens is seeking input from the residents of the city on the Athens City Schools building proposals. An online survey site has been set up. City Manager C. Seth Sumner is encouraging residents to take the survey. The identities of citizens submitting their opinions will be kept confidential. Sumner says it will take about an hour to review the information and complete the survey. The website includes a video and other documentation for residents to review before taking the survey. The survey can be accessed at:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AthensCitySchools Citizens may directly access the documentation and video at: http://www.dejongrichter.com/athensfmp

There will also be a public presentation of the consultants' data at Athens City Middle School on October 23rd at 6 p.m. Sumner says this is an opportunity for citizens to have their voices heard on the school building project.

# **National & World News**

- ◆ Jamal Khashoggi, a prominent Saudi dissident and Washington Post columnist went missing more than a week ago when he went to the consulate general in Istanbul, to get paperwork that would allow him to marry his Turkish fiancée. President Trump spoke to Saudi officials to press them on his disappearance stating "We're demanding everything, we want to see what's going on here." Turkish authorities have privately said they believe Khashoggi was killed inside the consulate. The Saudis firmly deny this allegation.
- ◆ The Orlando Police Department was forced to remove a woman from a Frontier Airlines plane Tuesday night after she tried to bring a squirrel on board. The woman claimed it was an emotional support animal. She was advised that squirrels are not allowed on board by Frontier's support animal policy.
- ✓ The W.I.S.E. (Women Inspiring Success & Excellence) Women's Fall Luncheon will be Wednesday, October 17th, at 11:45 a.m. at the McMinn Senior Activity Center. The speaker will be Sarah Philpott, PhD, author, farm mom and farm wife at Philpott Farms. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce.
- The Meigs County Fire Department Station 4 will have its annual Sausage Biscuit n' Gravy & Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser this Sunday from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Station 4 is located at Centerpoint Road & Highway 58. All you can eat!
- The Etowah Carnegie Library will present a free computer class this Saturday at 11 a.m. The class will be an introduction to Facebook and Microsoft Excel. Space is limited. Call 263-9475 to register.



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## **Obituaries**

- Curt Martin, age 76, of Englewood, died Tuesday. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Sunrise Cemetery. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.
- Gary F. Wills, age 60, died last Saturday. He was a member of the Athens Fire Department from 1984 until his retirement as a fire engineer in 2015. A memorial service will be held next Monday at 7 p.m. at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 6 to 7 p.m.
- Camisa LaShawn (Sissy) Duggan, age 54, of Riceville died Wednesday at her residence. She was a resident of the Tri-County Center for over 21 years. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 1 to 2 p.m. Saturday.
- Martha Ann Goins, age 66, of Athens, died Monday. She operated Goins Creations Florist for over 25 years. Funeral services will be 7 p.m. Friday at Mt. Verd Baptist Church, with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.
- Brenda Sue Decker-Combs, age 59, of Riceville, died Monday at her home. Funeral arrangements will be announced later by Companion Funeral Home of Athens.
- Judy Anderson, age 77, of Etowah, died Wednesday. Arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.

## **UW Fall Ball Tennis Winners**

United Way of McMinn and Meigs Counties recently held its Fall Ball Tennis Tournament. Some of the winners are pictured below, left to right.

- Men's College Division consolation finalists: Fran Lannuse & Arturo Martinez and consolation champs: Eric Stiles & Gregorio Magnarelli
- The winners of the Men's A Division were Virgil Smith and Jeff Thompson



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