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Today's News... This Morning

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WEATHER FORECAST
Wednesday - Mostly sunny. High 50.
Wednesday night - 15% rain. Low 33.
Thursday - 65% rain. High 48.
Thursday night - 57% rain. Low 45.
Friday - Mostly cloudy. 5% rain. High 54.
 More Weather at: wysi.com

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

Athens, Tennessee

Local & Area News

◆ ATHENS POLICE & FIRE REPORTS

The members of the Athens City Council heard the reports of the Athens Police and Fire Chiefs about activity during the month of December.

- Police Chief Cliff Couch reported there were 62 thefts, 12 burglaries, 12 assaults, four motor vehicle thefts, and two robberies in Athens during December. Officers issued 216 citations for moving violations. There were 74 traffic accidents with 14 injuries. There was one traffic fatality. There is currently one vacancy on the Athens Police Force.

- Fire Chief Brandon Ainsworth reported that firefighters responded to 57 calls in December. One was a building fire. There were 16 medical assist calls. Firefighters responded to ten vehicle accidents and one vehicle fire. Other calls involved power lines down, smoke scares, and false alarms. Losses from fires in December totaled \$5,600.

◆ ATHENS CONSTRUCTION REPORT

In 2018, 376 building permits were issued in the City of Athens. The total value of the construction projects was \$19,151,511.00. That compares to \$30,402,534.00 in 2017, \$23,200,545.00 in 2016, and \$43,154,683.00 in 2015. 2015 was the biggest year for construction in Athens in the ten-year period from 2008 to 2018. The lowest year was 2010, when construction totaled just \$5,539,179.00.

Festival of Trees Raises \$1200

Dominion Senior Living raised over \$1200 with their first-ever Festival of Trees. The money goes to United Way. Pictured below, left to right: Megan Dunaway (Dominion's new marketer), residents Faye Toomey and Pat Boyd, Executive Director Jessica Skelton, United Way's Stephanie Linkous, and Rhonda Elkins (Business Office Director)

(Photo Courtesy of Jessica Skelton)



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RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT



Famous Chicken 'n Biscuits



January Specials >>> 2 Sausage Biscuits for \$2

• 1 Breast - 1 Fixin - 1 Biscuit - 22 oz Drink: \$5

• 8 piece Box + 4 Biscuits, \$9.99

• 32 oz Tea still just \$1.00

IT'S BO TIME BOJANGLES S. Congress Parkway 744-5292

Western Sizzlin' Steak House-1804 Decatur Pike

11am to 4pm: Sirloin Tips with Salad + Side-Bakery-Dessert-Rolls ~ \$9.99

Senior Buffet: (Ages 55+) Monday-Friday from 2-4 p.m. ~ \$6.79.



"Our Butts R Smokin"

WEDNESDAY: ETOWAH 10:30-2:00

THURSDAY: ATHENS HALLMARK (Congress Parkway S) 11:30 - 1:30

FRIDAY: SWEETWATER 10:30-2:00

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Lora Marie Foster**, age 90, died Tuesday at Life Care Center of Athens. A graveside service will be held Friday at 11 a.m. in Conasauga Cemetery. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.
- ♦ **Helen June Blevins**, age 70, of Calhoun, died Tuesday at her home. She worked several years as a clerk for Dr. Sharma. She organized the suicide survivors support group of Cleveland and with Dr. Sharma she co-authored the book "Insane Jealousy." Funeral services will be Friday at 7 p.m. at Bowers Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the service.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ Keep McMinn Beautiful is currently having its Beautiful Native Tree Sale. You can buy Cherokee Princess Dogwood, Sweet bay Magnolia, Rising Sun Red Bud, Rhododendron, Blueberry, Fothergill, and Oak leaf Hydrangea bushes, shrubs, and trees. In 3 to 5 gallon containers. For information, call 506-7316.
- ✓ The McMinn County Clerk's Office will be closed next Monday, January 21st, for Martin Luther King, Jr., Day.
- ✓ The guest on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be Zack Davis, Pastor of Hillcrest Church of God in Etowah. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. each Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5 or [ONLINE](#).

These Kids Can Speak!

The McMinn County 4H Public Speaking contest was held last Friday at East Athens Baptist Church. The winners are pictured below (in no particular order). The 4th Grade Winners: 1st-Bryant Wilson, 2nd-Lady Dingess, 3rd-Baylynn Cantrell. The 5th Grade Winners: 1st-Landyn Giles, 2nd-Anna Natter, 3rd-Jake Goodin. The 6th Grade Winners: 1st-Reagan Baker, 2nd-Katie Culpepper, 3rd-Locke Harris. The 7th Grade Winners: 1st-Sadie Goodin, 2nd-Rainy Armstrong, 3rd-Gracie Eisenhart. The 8th Grade Winners: 1st-Ruby Morgan, 2nd-Emily Malick, 3rd-Savannah Miller.



(Photo by Sara Smith, 4H Program Assistant)



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