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## Local & Area News

### ◆ DECATUR MAYOR SUPPORTS "VIPER"

Meigs County Mayor Bill James is giving his support to TVA's new operations center to be constructed in the south end of Meigs County. Mayor James says he and the Meigs County Commission are excited to welcome "Project Viper". He says the project will bring additional jobs and potentially new families to Meigs County. The mayor says he welcomes the new workers who will build and work at the TVA center. He points out that Meigs County has a long history of partnership with the Tennessee Valley Authority. He says the governing body of Meigs County is eager to assist TVA in any way possible with Project Viper.



### ◆ LEARNING TO PUTT

The Athens Parks Department and TWU's golf team hosted "Puttin' in Prof" at the Putt Putt Course in Prof Powers Park last Sunday afternoon. This photo by Greg Moses shows one youngster brushing up on his technique.

## Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The Tennessee Wetlands Festival and National MooFest will take place this Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Ingleside Avenue between E.G. Fisher Library and Mayfield Dairy. There will be music by Troy Underwood, the Reliance Blue Grass Band, Kinslee Melhorn, and Steve Miller. There will be a pet parade and a mooring contest, along with a milk chugging contest, an ice cream eating contest, and a frozen T-shirt contest. E.G. Fisher Library will also have a scavenger hunt throughout the day in the Wetlands. Peyton Kahn, who is 11, will have a Bake Sale at MooFest to help raise money to support CASA. As a result of the festival, Forrest Avenue will be closed from Ingleside to Jones Street from 7 a.m. until 6 p.m.
- ✓ The Athens Lions Club will have its 10th annual Moooooo Run on Eureka Trail on Saturday. Sign-in at 6:30 a.m. The run starts at 7:30 p.m. (See ad below for more information)
- ✓ Christ's Legacy Academy will have its 4th annual Block Party this Saturday at Market Park in Downtown Athens. The hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be games, bouncy house, live entertainment, concessions, a silent auction, vendors, and more. Activities begin at 10 and wrap up with the auction winners at 4.

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### WEATHER FORECAST

**Thursday** - Clouds, Sun, & t'storms. High 83.  
**Thursday Night** - Mostly cloudy. 65 % rain & t'storms. Low 61.  
**Friday** - 40% rain. High 82.  
More Weather at: [wysi.com](http://wysi.com)

## Athens Lions - 10th Annual Moooooo Run!!!



**Sat. May 4 2019 - Eureka Trail - Athens TN**  
**6:30am Sign-In - 7:30am Start**  
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## Wednesday's Market Report

U.S. stocks were lower after the Federal Reserve left interest rates unchanged, and Fed Chairman Powell said the bank continues to believe the economy remains healthy and that a slowdown in inflation might be temporary. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 163 points to 26,430. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 22 points to 2,924, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 46 points to 8,050.

### LEGISLATURE PASSES HANDS FREE LAW

- A bill that would ban the use of a cell phone without a hands-free device has passed the Tennessee legislature. The bill requires drivers in Tennessee to use a hands-free device if they choose to talk on a phone. Drivers would be allowed to use a mounting device or bluetooth. The bill now heads to the governor's desk. If he signs it, the law will go into effect on July 1st.
- Lawmakers also passed legislation that would prevent the state from revoking or suspending drivers' licenses over unpaid court costs. Instead, they would be issued a restricted license while they pay off their court fines using a payment plan. A restricted driver's license would allow people to drive only to work, school, or church.

## Cora Physical Joins Chamber

A ribbon cutting was held recently for new Athens Chamber of Commerce member Cora Physical Therapy at 933 Decatur Pike. Pictured, front row: (L-R) Karen Raby and Chris Anderson (Chamber Diplomats), Noelle Lawrence, Cruise West, James Allison, Brett Kolnick, Amber Parker, Sarah Sutton, and Dayna Carter (Cora Physical Therapy), Haley Duncan (LifeCare of Athens), and McMinn County Mayor John Gentry.

(Photo by Tonya Hipps)



### You're Invited!

Museum Hours: Tues - Fri (10am-5pm), Sat (10am-4pm)



- Daily through May 11: **The Sultana Tragedy Exhibit**  
*Sultana survivors & victims from McMinn Co & surrounding areas*
- May 11 (11 AM - 1 PM): **The Sultana Story by Bill Akins**  
*How the tragedy impacted McMinn County*
- May 14 - June 6: **Community Artist League Exhibit**  
*A display by local artist*
- May 16 (11:30 AM - 1:30 PM): History for Lunch Series "**Furniture Joinery**" by Johnny McGrew  
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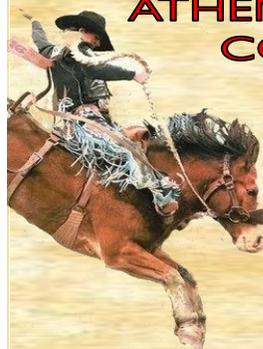
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