

Wednesday, August 7, 2019

Niota Woman Sings at Twins Game

A McMinn County woman, Tonya Booth Moore of Niota, had the honor of singing the National Anthem at the Minnesota Twins-Kansas City Royals major league baseball game last Thursday in

Minneapolis. Tonya is a member of the Blue Star Mothers of America. Blue Star Mothers is an organization of mothers, grandmothers, stepmothers, etc., who have children serving in the military or who are veterans. The group was having its yearly convention in Minneapolis. Several months ago, Blue Star Mothers' leaders asked for free tickets to the Twins game and for Blue Star Mothers to be on the field while Tonya sang the Anthem. Their request was denied, except for the tickets. However,



Tonya says recently Twins officials contacted Blue Star Mothers and asked for a video of Tonya singing the National Anthem. The only video she had was when she sang the Anthem at the Bacon Festival in Cleveland, TN, a few months ago. They sent the video, and the Twins invited her to sing at the ball game in front of 35,000 people in the stands and on national TV.

(Photo of the Jumbotron courtesy of Blue Star Mothers)

Body Found in Etowah

The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and Etowah Police are investigating after human remains were discovered Monday afternoon behind the Piggly Wiggly and Family Dollar stores. Tenth District Attorney General Stephen Crump requested the TBI join in the investigation. TBI spokesperson Susan Niland says authorities are still trying to identify the remains and determine the cause of death.

COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

1 Today is the first full day of classes for students in the Meigs County schools. It's also the first full day of classes for Valley Christian Academy.

✓ The Etowah Carnegie Library announces that local artwork provided by Community Artist League artist Diana Ferguson is now on display at the library. Her newest collection, "The Village," will be on display at the library until October 1st.

✓ The Heritage School program at the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum this coming Saturday, August 10th, is titled Lego Adventures: Games & Activities. Seating is limited so you should call the Museum for tickets at 745-0329. Admission is free for museum members and \$5 for non-members.

✓ The guest on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be Kaitlyn Ballard, a student at Women at the Well. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. each Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5 or ONLINE



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Obituaries

• Alice Milton Wolfenden, age 81, of Athens, died Tuesday at Life Care Center of Athens. Arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens.

• **Margaret Elizabeth Heavner**, age 93, of Decatur, died Tuesday at her home. Funeral services will be Friday at 7 p.m. at Bowers Funeral Home in Decatur with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the service.

• Janet Lynn Derrick, age 63, of Athens, died Saturday. A celebration of Life memorial service will be Friday at 12 noon at Companion Funeral Home in Athens with visitation from 11 to 12 prior to the service.

TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks ended the day higher. Technology, financials, and industrials were the top performing sectors.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 312 points or 1.2% to 26,030. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 37 points or 1.3% to 2,882, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 107 points or 1.4% to 7,833.

In Commodity Markets, the spot price of gold rose \$7.80 to \$1,472.40, and the price of crude oil fell \$1.00 to \$53.69.

In Bond Markets, the 30-year Treasury yield closed lower at 2.27% and the 10-year Treasury yield finished lower at 1.74%.

Library Ambassadors Honored

The Etowah Carnegie Library recently recognized their Library Ambassadors for their Summer Reading Program. They had a combined 152.5 volunteer hours from June 1st through July 31st. Pictured from left to right are: Landon Morgan, Lilly Rhodes, Skylar Bright, and Scarlett Bright.

(Photo by Lara Crockett, Library Director)



