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## Today's News...This Morning

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Friday, January 31, 2020

Athens, Tennessee

### Free Dental Services for Kids

In recognition of National Children's Dental Health month, the Tennessee Wesleyan University Dental Hygiene Clinic will offer free dental hygiene services to children 18 and under during the month of February. The services include cleanings, x-rays, fluoride, and sealants. Any child 18 and under in Athens and surrounding counties can receive their free treatments by booking an appointment. Call 252-1475 to schedule. Program director Randa Colbert says TWU Dental Hygiene is committed to serving the community's oral health needs, especially those most prone to dental disease.

#### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The McMinn County Living Heritage Museum will present "Brad Sells-The Story Behind the Tree" Saturday at 11 a.m. Sells will discuss how his work has evolved over the past 25 years and the process he uses to create his pieces. The presentation will include some of his earliest works through his current pieces. His work is exhibited in museums and private collections throughout the world, including the Smithsonian.

✓ *African American Historiography: A look at the history of African American History*, will be presented at E.G. Fisher Public Library in Athens next Tuesday, February 4th, at 12 noon. Library Director Katie Brady will explore how our study of African American history has changed over time. She will also look at elements that influence the direction historical research takes.

### Ribbon Cut for Goosehead

A ribbon cutting was held recently for new Athens Chamber of Commerce member, Goosehead Insurance, located at 103 E. Washington Avenue, Suite 5. Pictured (L-R) Front row: Amy McDonald and Karen Raby (Chamber Diplomats), Jordan Millsaps and Andrew Millsaps (Owners), Glenna Whitted, Ken Whitted, Brenda Lowe, Tonya Hips (Athens Chamber). Back row: Kim York (Diplomat). Michelle Schumacher, Brittni Wright (Diplomat), Ashley Cross, Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Dylan Rymer, & Lisa Harrison (Diplomat)  
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**WEATHER FORECAST**  
Friday - Cloudy. High 50.  
Friday Night - Some clouds. Low 41.  
Saturday - Mostly cloudy. 40% rain in spots. High 50.  
Saturday Night - Clear to partly cloudy. Low 33.  
Sunday - Lots of sunshine & mild. High 58.  
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## Obituaries

♦ **Jay T. Thomson**, age 84, of Etowah, TN, and Cisco, Georgia, died January 25th. He joined the Army after graduation from high school. After the Army, he worked as a long-haul truck driver for several years. He then went to work for the L&N Railroad and retired from CSX as a maintenance-of-way gang foreman in 1988. He was a longtime member of the Etowah Rescue Squad and Rural Fire Department. He served as a reserve police officer for the Etowah Police Department and a dispatcher for police, fire, and rescue. He also served as a reserve police officer for the Etowah Police Department and was a dispatcher for police, fire, and rescue. He enjoyed photography, and many of his pictures were published in The Morning Fax. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah, with visitation from noon to 2 p.m.

♦ **Cynthia Jean Gardner**, age 59, of Athens (and formerly of Deltona, Florida.), died Tuesday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Bowers Funeral Home, with visitation from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

♦ **James Christopher "Chris" Crowder**, age 45, of Englewood, died Tuesday at his home. He was a retired law enforcement officer. The family will receive friends on Monday, February 3rd, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Athens Chapel of Companion Funeral Home. A memorial service will follow at 7 p.m.

## Church News & Events

- The Hymnsmen Quartet will be in concert at the First Christian Church, 201 7th Street, Etowah, this Sunday at 11 a.m. Everyone is invited.

- Chatta Valley will sing at the Riceville Church of God Sunday morning at 10. The church is on County Road 73 in Riceville. For directions or information, contact Clif Wright at 413-1899.

- A "5 Love Language" workshop will be held on Sunday, February 16th, from 5 to 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Athens. You are invited to come with your loved one, whether married or single. Dr. Gary Chapman's 5 Love Languages can be applied to any relationship. It's a way to "show" love to another. The cost is \$10, which includes dinner and the workshop. The program is open to anyone. It will be taught by Sarah Kite with the UT Extension Office and by First Baptist Pastor Bill Henard. The program is based on Gary Chapman's book and includes research from The Gottman Institute. RSVP to 745-2852 by February 9th.

**THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT:** U.S. stocks recouped their early morning losses to close higher.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 125 points or 0.4% to 28,859. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 10 points or 0.3% to 3,284, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 24 points or 0.3% to 9,299.

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