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Tornado Kills Family With McMinn Ties

A family with connections to McMinn County lost their lives when the tornado hit the Cookeville area early Tuesday. Family members confirmed that Josh and Erin Kimberlin, along with their 2-year-old son Sawyer, were killed in the storm which destroyed their house. McMinn County Director of Schools, Lee Parkison, confirmed that Josh Kimberlin's mother, Kim Cantley, is a teacher at McMinn Central High School. (Facebook Photo)



Community News You Can Use

✓ The Etowah Area Chamber of Commerce will have the "Good Morning, Etowah" event this Friday, March 6th, from 8 to 9 a.m. in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse. The event is hosted by State Representative Mark Cochran.

✓ The McMinn County Education Foundation presents "BuzzWord", a Grown-Up Spelling Bee, this Friday, March 6th, at 7 p.m. at Athens City Middle School. Several teams will take part, including the "Kiwanis Cooks," a team of lawyers, the "CapStar Captains" and teams from the Athens City and McMinn County schools. Judges will be Shelley Griffith, Kay Frank, and Andrew Kimball. Johnny Coffman will be the moderator. Admission is \$5. Proceeds go to the Education Foundation. (See their ad on page 2)

✓ The Good Faith Clinic in partnership with United Way and Quillen College of Medicine will offer free comprehensive physical exams on April 22nd from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. for residents of McMinn and Meigs counties without health insurance. Current Good Faith patients can sign up at upcoming clinics. Others should call (423) 745-4541. Leave your name and number on the answering machine and someone will call to arrange an appointment. Exams are by appointment only. Services offered include complete medical exams, blood work-up, pap smears, and mammograms. The event is sponsored by an Athens Federal Foundation Grant. It is only for medically uninsured people in McMinn and Meigs counties.

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Thursday: Possible rain in A.M. Mostly cloudy. High 52.
Thu Night: Partly cloudy. High 36.
Friday: Sunny to partly cloudy. High 48.
Fri Night: Clear to partly cloudy. High 29.
More Weather at: wxyi.com



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Obituaries

- ♦ **Wanda Jolley Ledford Barnes**, age 79, of Kingston (and a native of Athens), died Tuesday at Parkwest Medical Center. She retired as a nurse from Alvin C. York Medical Center in Murfreesboro after 25 years. Funeral services will be 7 p.m. Friday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- ♦ **Carolyn Jeanette Powers Bull**, age 80, of Athens, died Wednesday. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at New Zion Cemetery. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.

McMinn County Poster Winners

The winners have been announced in the annual McMinn County 4H Poster Contest. The contest was sponsored by the Farm Bureau Women. Pictured below: (L to R) Sondra Guthrie (Farm Bureau Women Representative), Sienna Keylon (3rd Place Winner), Harrison Kaus (2nd Place Winner), Paisley Burnsed (1st Place Winner) Abigail Henry (Honorable Mention-in the back), Margaret Bohannon (Farm Bureau Women Representative), and Lela Womac (Honorable Mention).



WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks posted sizeable gains following Congress' approval of \$8 billion in funding to fight the coronavirus and after Joe Biden's Super Tuesday surge. Health insurance stocks rallied on the decreased likelihood of an overhaul of the health care system. The U.S. nonfarm private sector added 183,000 jobs in February, which was more than economists anticipated. U.S. Treasuries were mixed. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 1173 points or 4.5% to 27,091. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 127 points or 4.2% to 3,130, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 334 points or 3.8% to 9,018.



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