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Friday, April 23, 2021

Athens, Tennessee

Ray Johnson is Man of the Year

Ray Johnson is the recipient of the J. Neal Ensminger Man of the Year award. Johnson was honored at Thursday evening's annual Athens Chamber of Commerce meeting. Johnson is an employee of the YMCA and is actively involved in Grace & Mercy Ministries. Other award recipients:

Woman of the Year: Mintie Willson

Mother of the Year: Kay Simmons

Young Man of the Year: State Representative Mark Cochran

Young Woman of the Year: Angel Hardaway

Teacher of the Year: Brittany Davis

Farmer of the Year: Matt Mason



L-R: Jim Nelson, Man of the Year Ray Johnson & Vant Hardaway.



L-R: Sandra Boyd, Woman of the Year Mintie Willson & Cathy Allen.

(Photos courtesy of Julie Simbeck)

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ This year's Summer Sounds series kicks off at Market Park Pavilion in Downtown Athens on Saturday, June 5th, at 7 p.m. The singers will be Emi Sunshine and Will Carter. That same day, the National Moofest celebration will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- ✓ The American Legion Post will NOT be having its monthly Fish Fry this evening at the VFW Post. They will resume the Fish Fry dinners in May.
- ✓ The Cherokee Beekeepers Association will have their first monthly meeting of 2021 next Tuesday, April 27th, at 7 p.m. at Co-Op on Congress Parkway.
- ✓ Isaiah 117 House, a Tennessee-based organization that cares for children awaiting foster placement, is coming to McMinn-Monroe counties. Next Tuesday, April 27th, the nonprofit organization will host a fundraising at Ramble Creek at 12 noon and 6 p.m. The event will kick-off the fundraising campaign to build an Isaiah 117 House near Englewood to serve children in McMinn and Monroe counties. It will consist of a catered meal and will feature several speakers, including Rhonda Paulson, founder and executive director of Isaiah 117 House. Attendance is by invitation only from a table host or sponsor. Anyone interested in hosting or sponsoring a table can contact Jennifer Collins at 519-3393.



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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

- ♦ **Ann Cartwright Downie**, age 85, of Athens, died on February 25th. A graveside service will be held on Saturday, April 24th, at Cedar Grove Cemetery. Smith Funeral Home is in charge
- ♦ **Leila Blair Gamble**, age 91, of Athens, died Thursday at Athens Place. Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Monday at McMinn Memory Gardens. Smith Funeral Home is in charge.
- ♦ **Charles Willard Carter**, age 79, of Athens, died Wednesday at Tennova Healthcare in Powell. He was an electrician for 38 years. The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with funeral services following at 4 p.m.
- ♦ **Dennis Alan Boruff**, age 65, of Athens, died Tuesday. He retired from the Bi-Lo corporation after 25 years. The family will receive friends Monday, April 26th, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon at Companion Funeral Home of Athens, with the service to follow at noon.
- ♦ **JoAnn Goines**, age 70, of Decatur, died Wednesday. A celebration of life will be Saturday at 7 p.m. at Companion Funeral Home of Athens, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- ♦ **William Henry "Lawyer" Thompson**, age 65, of Cleveland, died Friday at his home. He worked as a logger with Winton Logging Company. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m., Monday at St. Elmo Cemetery in Georgetown, with a walk through visitation from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at M.D. Dotson and Sons Funeral Home of Cleveland.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Thursday 4-22

Tennessee: 839,841 cases, up 2,008. 12,130 deaths up 19.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	6,400 up 22	112 up 8	97
Meigs	1,361 up 10	34 up 7	24
Monroe	5,749 up 25	100 up 15	95
Polk	2,009 up 6	48 up 2	24
Bradley	14,701 up 31	386 up 2	148
Rhea	4,318 up 3	26 down 2	75

Church News & Events

- The Etowah Christian Ministerial Association is sponsoring a National Day of Prayer event at the Historic L&N Depot in Etowah on Thursday, May 6th, at 12 noon. Everyone is invited to attend.
- If you or someone you know is battling addiction, struggling with anger, or other life issues, Planted In Christ Outreach Fellowship, 317 Maple Street, in Athens invites you to attend Outreach Deliverance Classes every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Call: 423-435-8986
- Buttram Chapel Church will have homecoming worship and lunch on May 9th at 11 a.m. The church is located at 700 County Road 220. Bring a dish or two to share if you can. Paper goods, drinks, and ice will be provided. Bring a chair.
- Valley Christian Academy will be hosting their annual Dinner in the Valley event next Thursday, April 29th. The dinner is a time of celebration and showcasing the school, vision casting for the next few years, and fundraising to help with reaching those goals. The evening will feature school tours, student exhibits, conversations with teachers from 6 to 7 p.m. The dinner and program begin at 7 p.m. VCA is a ministry of Eastanallee Baptist Church and is housed in their facility. Call Holly Crisp at 462-3009 to reserve your seating.
- First Christian Church in Etowah will have a Rummage Sale today, April 23rd, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The church is located at 701 Ohio Avenue.

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Friday: Clouds mixed with sun. High 62.
Fri Night: Cloudy. Possible rain. Low 49.
Saturday: Cool. Possible rain & t'storm. High 66.
Sat Night: Possible t'storms. Cloudy. Low 49.
Sunday: Clouds mixed with sun. High 67.
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TODAY IN HISTORY - APRIL 23rd

- 1564** - English poet William Shakespeare was born on this day and died the same day in 1616. His plays include "Julius Caesar," "Romeo and Juliet," "Macbeth," and "Hamlet."
- 1789** - President-elect George Washington and his wife moved into the first executive mansion, the Franklin House in New York City.
- 1791** - Our 15th President, James Buchanan, was born. He served as president just before the Civil War, when the slavery issued divided the country.
- 1928** - Child star Shirley Temple ("The Good Ship Lollipop") was born. She later became a U.S. ambassador to Ghana and Czechoslovakia.
- 1936** - Singer Roy Orbison was born. Wearing his trademark sunglasses, he had such hit records as "Only The Lonely," "Crying," and "Oh, Pretty Woman."
- 1939** - Singer Ray Peterson was born. His hit records included "Tell Laura I Love Her," "The Wonder Of You," and "Corinna, Corinna."