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Thursday, November 18, 2021

Athens, Tennessee

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The Athens City Council heard reports on police and fire department activity for the month of October at their Tuesday night meeting.
- Interim Police Chief Fred Schultz reported there were 48 thefts in October, 33 assaults, 11 motor vehicle thefts. 6 burglaries, and one robbery. Officers issued citations for 251 moving violations. Officers made a total of 131 arrests in October. Police reported there were 29 drug cases in October. There were 67 traffic accidents with 28 injuries. One of those accidents involved a pedestrian. There are currently 5 vacancies on the Athens Police Department.
- Fire Chief Brandon Ainsworth reported that firefighters responded to 170 calls during October. Rescue and emergency medical service calls accounted for 117 calls. There were three fires and 27 false alarms. One of the fires was a building on South Congress Parkway. Losses from fires in October totaled \$6,400.00.

More Community News

- ✓ Old-Fashioned Downtown Christmas takes place this Friday, Nov. 19th, from 5 to 8 p.m. in Downtown Athens. There will be dance and music performances, shopping, Santa, and food and craft vendors. The Christmas Tree at Market Park will be lighted at 7:30 p.m. Streets in Downtown Athens will be closed starting at 4:30 p.m.
- ✓ Athens Utilities Board says the power rate for the month of December will increase a bit as winter rates from TVA take effect. AUB also warns of higher natural gas rates for the coming months.

◆COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Wednesday 11-17 Tennessee: 1,300,452 cases up 1,685. 16,789 deaths up 49.

COUNTY CASES ACTIVE DEATHS McMinn 137 10,655 up 8 68 Meigs 2,213 up 1 14 30 126 Monroe 9,857 up 6 72 down 2 Polk 3,226 up 2 24 31 Bradley 22,439 up 11 153 down 8 212 up 6 Rhea 7,051 up 5 36 up 3 97 up 3





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Wednesday's Market Report

Equity markets finished modestly lower. The S&P hit another all-time high yesterday, but closed lower. International markets finished mixed, and oil declined on speculation that U.S. and China might tap their strategic reserves to cool prices. Bond yields declined, but the 10-year held above 1.60%. At the closing bell, The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 211.17 to 35,931.35. The S&P 500 was down 12.23 to 4,688.67, and the NASDAQ was down 52.28 to 15,921.57.

CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK TO OPEN IN ATHENS

A familiar name in banking will be opening a branch in Athens in mid-December. Citizens National Bank, head-quartered in Sevierville, will open a branch at 1305 Decatur Pike. Citizens National Bank has branches in Sevier, Hamblen, and Knox Counties, and has served small businesses and families in East Tennessee for five decades. This Citizens National Bank has no connection with the former Citizens National Bank which was based in Athens for many years before being sold to Simmons Bank in 2016. Paul Willson who was formerly with Citizens National Bank in Athens, will serve as a board member. Members of the local CNB team include Jack Allen, Todd Watson, Frank Parker, and Julie Jones.

Ribbon Cut for Hartman Inspections

A ribbon cutting was held recently for new Athens Area Chamber of Commerce member, Hartman Property Inspections of Madisonville. Pictured from left, front row: Ashton Burrows (Chamber Diplomat), Olivia Hartman & Troy Hartman (Owners), Adi Hartman (Hartman Property Inspections), Amy McDonald (Diplomat), Brenda Lowe, Heather Bateman. Back row: Karen Sullivan (Chamber), Joseph Ladner (Diplomat), Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Tonya Hipps (Diplomat)

(Photo courtesy of Julie Simbeck, Athens Chamber)





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- \$: Explore Downtown Athens for details!

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