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Tuesday, February 22, 2022

Athens, Tennessee

McMinn County Receives Two Grants

McMinn County has been awarded Federal Funds made available through the Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Emergency Management Agency under the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program. McMinn County will receive \$16,266 to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the county in one phase and an extra \$50,273 to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the county in another phase. The selection was made by a National Board that is chaired by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency. The Local Board was charged to distribute the funds appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the country. A Local Board made up of area government officials, agency representatives and the McMinn-Meigs United Way, will determine how the funds awarded to McMinn County are to be distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs run by local service agencies in the area. Under the terms of the grant from the National Board, local agencies chosen to receive funds must: 1.) be nonprofit, faith-based or governmental organizations that provide food, shelter and supportive services, 2.) be eligible to receive federal funds, 3.) have an accounting system, 4.) practice nondiscrimination, 5.) have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs, 6.) if they are a private voluntary organization, have a voluntary board, and 7.) maintain a checking account in the organization's name for EFSP deposits. Agencies must have a DUNS number and a Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN). To apply, contact Paige Zabo at 745-9606 for an application and information about requirements. The deadline to submit an application is Friday, March 4, 2022, by 3:00 p.m.

Community News You Can Use

A ribbon cutting was celebrated recently for new Athens Area Chamber of Commerce member, Thai House Restaurant, located at 921 Decatur Pike in Athens. Chamber friends joining the celebration and pictured from left to right are: Edward Goodman, Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Gina (Thai House), Joseph Ladner (Chamber Diplomat), Noy (Thai House), Oi (Thai House), Michael (friend of Thai House), Nart (Thai House), Lisa Rhea (Chamber Diplomat) and John Rodriguez (Chamber Board Member) Photo submitted by Julie Simbeck.



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Obituaries

- Mary Christine West Luisa, age 77, of Niota, died Sunday at Tennova Healthcare of Cleveland. She was a native of Ten Mile and a longtime resident of McMinn County. She was retired from Saturn of Chattanooga where she worked as an accountant. Funeral services will be 7 p.m. Wednesday at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the service.
- Jasper Charles Raymond Burkett, age 30, of Sweetwater, died Friday at Tennova Healthcare North Knoxville in Powell. He was a native of Athens and proudly served as a CNA. Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. Tuesday at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from noon until 2 p.m. prior to the service. Internment will follow in Walnut Cemetery in Decatur.
- Donald "Donnie" Keith Morrison, age 60, died Sunday. He was a lifelong resident of Decatur. A gathering of friends will be held on Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Chapel of Decatur Funeral Home and Cremation Services.
- Kathryn Allen Mize Rhodes, age 72, died Saturday, at Parkwest Medical Center in Knoxville. She was a graduate of Knoxville Central High School, TWU, and held Graduate Degrees from Tusculum College. She retired from McMinn County Schools in 2009. She served as President of E.G. Fisher Library Friends of the Library, Garden Beautiful Club and was a Board Member at Coordinated Charities. A graveside service will be 11 a.m. Saturday at Cedar Grove Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday from 6 to 9 p.m. at Smith Funeral and Cremation Services.

Obituaries - continued

- **Delisa Kaye Johnson Brooks**, age 63, of Etowah, died Tuesday, February 15th at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. She was a native and lifelong resident of McMinn County. A Celebration of Life will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home.
- Sammie Houston Branham, Sr., age 87, died Saturday. A graveside service will be held on Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Luminary United Methodist Church Cemetery in Ten Mile. Decatur Funeral Home and Cremation services is in charge of the arrangements.
- Clarence "Bill" William Hatt, age 76, of Athens, died Friday, February 18th. He was a native of Mount Pleasant, Michigan and was a retired U.S. Navy Chief with 26½ years of service. Funeral services will be announced at a later date. Good Samaritan Funeral Home is charge of the arrangements.

Tennessee to Sing a New Song

Tennessee will soon have a 10th state song after lawmakers approved adding the new one to the list of official state songs. Its title is "I'll Leave My Heart in Tennessee" by Dailey and Vincent and written by Karen Staley. Dailey and Vincent, who have held two concerts in Athens in recent years, performed the song recently for the Tennessee House of Representatives. The bill authorizing the song is expected to be signed into law by Governor Lee.

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Alicia Fulbright, NP & Marty Pascarella, NP

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