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Athens, Tennessee

APD Arrests Two in Drug Bust

Athens Police conducted a narcotics investigation this past Tuesday which led to a search warrant being executed at the Days Inn on Decatur Pike. During the search, officers came into contact with a male and a female occupying a hotel room where officers and agents located several narcotics, cash, a firearm and drug paraphernalia. The occupants were identified as Clifton Hall, age 34, of Knoxville and Ashley Arnwine, age 19, of Athens. Hall has been charged with Possession of Schedule II Fentanyl with intent to sell; Possession of Schedule II Methamphetamine with intent to sell; Possession of Schedule II Cocaine with intent to sell; Possession of Ecstasy with intent to sell; Possession of Schedule VI with intent to sell; Possession of a weapon by a convicted felon and Possession of a weapon during the commission of a felony. Arnwine was issued a citation for possession of drug paraphernalia and released. The investigation was held with the cooperation of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigations (TBI) Drug Unit and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF).

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The City of Etowah Parks and Recreation Department is looking to hire experienced or trainable and certifiable Lifeguards to help maintain the safety and well-being of the guests at their new community pool and pool facility. All training, certification, and transportation for training will be paid by the City of Etowah. The pool opening is scheduled for Saturday, May 28, 2022. The season will continue through Labor Day Monday, September 5th. The lifeguard hourly rate will range from \$9.00 per hour. Applications are available on the City of Etowah website: cityofetowah.tn.com
- ✓ The City of Athens Parks and Recreation Department has announced a new health initiative challenging all citizens of McMinn Coun to Walk for the Health of McMinn. This program is designed to encourage everyone to get outside and get some exercise for both the mind and body. The Parks department has organized walking groups at several city parks throughout the week, or participants are encouraged to go out on their own and log their miles. The goal is to have the community log their miles and by August 23, 2022 to have reached 53,276 miles as a community, which equals a mile for every resident in McMinn County. Everyone is encouraged to be moving more whether you are running, rolling, strolling or walking! There is a quick online form to log and enter miles and schools, businesses, and community organizations are encouraged to organize their own walks to help us reach our goal. A completion party is planned for August 23, 2022, which is the 200th anniversary that our city was incorporated. We hope to have a lot to celebrate that day," stated Program Coordinator Brianna Baker.

RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT



NEW: Hand Breaded Chicken Sandwich \$3.99
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National Social Work Month



A salute to our Social Worker
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Obituaries

◆ **Theresa Rozich Sloan**, age 89, of Athens, passed away away on Monday at her home at Dominion Senior Living Center of Athens. She was a native of Michigan and had lived in Athens since November of 2021. She's survived locally by her son, Greg Sloan (Denise) of Riceville. A private burial will take place in Riverside, California at a later date. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE

Weekly Summary: 02/27/22 - 03/05/22
 There were 973 cases (per day) and 33 deaths (per day) last week

Tennessee: 2,013,116 Total Cases 24,712 Total Deaths

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	16,630	64	240
Meigs	3,347	11	54
Monroe	14,442	80	217
Polk	4,711	40	65
Bradley	33,031	131	387
Rhea	9,936	26	148

Covid-19 update information from the Tennessee Department of Health is updated on Saturday and posted to their website each Wednesday.

House Fire on County Road 669

On Wednesday around 9 a.m. the Athens Rural Fire Department requested mutual aid from Riceville Rural Fire, Englewood Rural Fire and Claxton Fire Departments for a structure fire on County Road 669 near Athens. Extensive damage occurred to the laundry room and kitchen with flames coming out of the roof upon arrival of the first fire department. No one was home at the time of the fire but came home and found it on fire. AMR and the McMinn County Sheriff's Department also responded. Athens Rural Fire Chief Chuck Burris was in command of the scene. Photos by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department.



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ATHENS BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Friday, March 18, 1-7 PM

Join us and enjoy a day of history at the museum! There will be special exhibits and activities on all three levels. This event is fun for all ages and free to the public.

Event sponsored by: Hugh M. Wilson Family Foundation, Susan Buttram, Paul Wilson, Bob Roseberry, Tennessee Arts Commission, catered by Ambiance

CHAIR CANING with April Greer

Watch an experienced caner at work!

Saturday, March 12th, 11:00 AM

Admission is \$5 or free with Museum membership.

Program sponsored by C. Scott & Muriel S. Mayfield Family Foundation & Tennessee Arts Commission

Hours	
Tuesday - Friday:	10 AM - 5 PM
Saturday:	10 AM - 4 PM
Sunday - Monday:	Closed

Admission	
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