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## Today's News...This Morning

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Monday, May 9, 2022

Athens, Tennessee

## Murder Suspect Arrested

A multi-agency investigation involving special agents with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and sheriffs' detectives from Monroe, Polk, and McMinn counties has resulted in the arrest of an Etowah man, charged with killing his father. Officers with the Etowah Police Department, the 10<sup>th</sup> Judicial Drug Task Force, and 10<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney General's Office were also involved. On May 1<sup>st</sup>, human remains were discovered in a wooded area on Old Furnace Road in Tellico Plains. The following day, at the request of 10<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney General Steve Crump, TBI agents and the Knox County Forensic Center joined the Monroe County Sheriff's Office in the investigation. An autopsy confirmed the identity of the victim as John Henry Ball, age 64, of Delano in Polk County. Investigators developed information that identified the victim's son, John Scott Ball, as the individual responsible for his father's death. On May 5<sup>th</sup>, John Scott Ball, age 45, was arrested and charged with one count of 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Murder and one count of Abuse of a Corpse. Ball has been booked into the Polk County Jail without bond pending his next court appearance. (TBI submitted photo)



## COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

- ✓ The Tennessee Valley Federal Credit Union is offering small business owners the opportunity to apply for up to \$100,000 through their annual Idea Leap Grant. You do not have to pay this money back and the funds can be used however you feel is necessary to improve or enhance your business. The funds will be distributed as \$50,000 (grand prize); \$20,000 (1st place); and 3 applicants at \$10,000 each. Lisa Dotson, Executive Director of Main Street Athens, is serving as one of the volunteer judges this year. Anyone within the Tennessee Valley Federal Credit Union Region can apply. An application link is: [HERE](#)
- ✓ The guest on Tuesday's broadcast of "Main Street Moments" will be Rita Barrett who is the owner of Pigeon Roost Goods on South White. Rita will soon be celebrating the first anniversary of the opening of the Pigeon Roost store. Be sure to tune in and hear how the store has such a unique name. Hear Main Street Moments every Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI Radio AM-1390 and FM-94.5.
- ✓ The McMinn Election Commission will have a called meeting today at 5 p.m. in the Blue Room to count provisional ballots.



## TWU CATERING OPEN HOUSE

Tennessee Wesleyan

Complimentary samples of new menu items will be served.

May 10, 4-7 p.m. - Wallace Square on the TWU Campus

### RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT



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• 32 oz Tea \$1

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- Tuesday-Madisonville-10:30 - 1:30
- Wednesday-Etowah-10:30 - 2:00  
(across from Johnson's Dept Store)
- Thursday-Loudon - 10:30 - 1:00
- Friday-Sweetwater-Little Drugs-10:30 - 2:30



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## Compassionate Service in Your Time of Need

In times of grief, making difficult decisions about how best to honor the memory of someone so important can be overwhelming. We are here to help with complete, professional and compassionate funeral planning services to meet your needs and respectfully celebrate the life and legacy of your loved one.

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Athens, Tennessee

## Obituaries

♦ **Glenora Louise "Lucy" Cardin**, age 81, of Athens, passed away Thursday, May 5th, at Open Arms Care, where she had lived since 2008. A graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at McMinn Memory Gardens. The family will receive friends from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Tuesday at Ziegler Funeral Home.

♦ **Morgan Taylor "Moe" Pritchett**, age 17, passed away Thursday, May 5th. She was a Senior at Meigs County High School and was a member of the Meigs County Archery Team, Choir, FCA, and was the school mascot. A funeral service will be Tuesday, May 10th, at 8 p.m. at the Meigs County High School Gym at 105 Abel Avenue in Decatur. The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will be held Wednesday, May 11th, at 11 a.m. in the Pisgah Cemetery. Decatur Funeral Home and Cremation Services is in charge of the arrangements.

♦ **Michael Eugene "Mike" "Bubba" Ricker**, age 60, of Decatur, passed away Saturday, May 7th, at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. He retired from the Cleveland Police Department and was currently working at the Meigs County Sheriff's Office, with 38 years of service. A graveside service will be held Thursday, May 12th, at 11 a.m. in the Walnut Grove Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday in the chapel of Decatur Funeral Home.

♦ **Mickey Gilley**, age 86, known for launching the Urban Cowboy movement in Country music and hit songs including "Stand By Me," "Room Full of Roses" and "Lonely Nights," died Saturday in Branson, Missouri. He passed peacefully with his family and close friends by his side.

## Wreck in Private Driveway

Around 8:30 p.m. Thursday evening the driver of this 2000 Dodge Intrepid drove down a private drive hitting a guard rail then going through a fence and stopping on top of an embankment. The driver then exited the vehicle getting into his wheelchair and quickly losing control of the wheelchair, which rolled down the embankment. The driver sustained minor injuries and had to be extracted by the fire department. Englewood Rural, Etowah Rural, AMR and McMinn County Sheriff's Department all responded with Corporal Jeremiah Harrison investigating the accident. Photo by Lynn Ingram with Englewood Rural Fire Department.



**FRIDAY'S MARKET REPORT:** Equity markets declined further with the S&P 500 logging its fifth straight week of losses. April was another month of strong job growth. The U.S. economy added 428,000 jobs, slightly ahead of expectations. The S&P 500 finished the week lower. At the closing bell, the Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 98.60 to 32,899.37. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 23.53 to 4,123.34, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 173.03 to 12,144.66.

# Athens Lions - 13th Annual Moooooo Run!!!



Sat. June 4 2022 - Eureka Trail - Athens TN

6:30am Sign-In - 7:30am Start

For more info call or text 423-506-1404 or ...

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