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Early Voting Begins Today

Voting begins today for the General Election of local candidates and for the Primary Election for state office holders. The last day to vote early is Saturday, July 30th. Early voting will take place at the McMinn Election Commission office in the basement of the McMinn County Courthouse. The hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday. Satellite voting will take place at the Athens Regional Park Conference center. The hours at the conference center are 12 noon to 5 p.m. on Monday, July 25th and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday July 26th through Friday, July 29th. Election day is Thursday, August 4th and polling hours will be 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. The City Park Precinct has been moved to Keith Memorial United Methodist Church in the Ensminger Room, which is a temporary location for 2022 due to the construction project at City Park School. The last day to request an Absentee Ballot is Thursday, July 28th. Reminder: you must bring and present a Tennessee issued Photo ID or a Federal issued Photo ID to vote. For more information go to:

mcmminlections.com or GoVoteTn.gov

Starr Regional Groundbreaking

Starr Regional Medical Center hosted a groundbreaking for its expansion of the Athens hospital for a cardiac catheterization (cath) lab on Tuesday, July 12th. The cardiac cath lab and launching of an interventional cardiology program at Starr Regional means greater access to life-saving heart care in McMinn County. The project is estimated to be completed in early 2023. Pictured are (first row, L to R): Jonathan Moore, RN, Cardiac Cath Lab Director; Stephen Marietta, MD, Cardiology Associates of East Tennessee; Dave Santoemma, Chief Operating Officer of Starr Regional Medical Center; John McLain, Chief Executive Officer of Starr Regional Medical Center; Carter Runyan, Chair, Starr Regional Medical Center Board of Trustees; State Representative Mark Cochran, John Gentry, McMinn County Mayor; Bo Perkinson, Athens City Mayor; (second row) Ronald Hall, RN, Chief Nursing Officer of Starr Regional Medical Center; Shane Sewell, Member, Starr Regional Medical Center Board of Trustees; Vant Hardaway, Member, Starr Regional Medical Center Board of Trustees; David Alley, Chief Financial Officer of Starr Regional Medical Center; Rob Preston, President & CEO, Athens Area Chamber of Commerce; C. Seth Sumner, Athens City Manager; and Jordan Curtis, Athens City Council Member.



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National News

◆ Ivana Trump, age 73, passed away at her home in New York City. She was the first wife of former U.S. President Donald Trump and the mother of his three oldest children. She helped her husband build some of his signature buildings including Trump Tower.

◆ In June, inflation at the wholesale level climbed 11.3% compared with a year earlier, the latest painful reminder that inflation is running hot through the American economy.

THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT:

Equity markets ended the day well off session lows. Energy, and materials were the biggest laggards of the day. Meanwhile, the U.S. dollar strength continues, with the DXY dollar index hitting a new high for the year. The dollar has been one of the few assets that has seen positive returns this year. At the closing bell, The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 142.62 to 30,637.17. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 11.40 to 3,790.38, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 3.601 to 11,251.18.

Church News & Events

- Lakeside Baptist Church, 2418 Highway 304, Ten Mile, is hosting a Southern Gospel Style Musical Presentation this Sunday, July 17th at 5 p.m. Music will be presented by Athens First Baptist Church Senior Choir.

- The Pope Avenue Baptist Church is holding VBS Sunday, July 17-22 from 6 to 8 p.m. Call 453-2211 for a van pickup.

- 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.

- The North Etowah Baptist Church announces that their new Pastor, Rev. Randy Ellis and his family, will begin their ministry on Sunday, July 24th at 11 a.m.

- If you have suffered the loss of a loved one, Mars Hill Presbyterian Church of Athens now offers a Griefshare program each Sunday at 2:00 p.m. For more information call 423-829-5052.

- Homecoming at the Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church will be this Sunday, July 17th at 11 a.m. The guests will be Rev. Edward Robinson, Sr. and members of Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church of Cleveland.

- Celebrate Recovery meets at the following churches: The Englewood Church of God every Sunday at 6 p.m. and Woodward Avenue Church of God every Tuesday at 6 p.m.

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