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Athens, Tennessee

Meet June Lanham

June Lanham is a 6 year old girl from Tellico Plains and has been diagnosed with Choroid Plexus Carcinoma, which is a terminal brain cancer. An organization called "One At A Time" (OAT) has been raising funds for June to visit Disney World in Orlando. The goal was \$5,000. To read June's story click or tap: [OAT](#) Even though the campaign has now been successful, other donations will be accepted to help other children suffering from terminal illnesses.



◆ The guest on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be Connie McIntosh, "God Bless You". "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5.

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Athens City Schools has announced the upcoming Assistant Principal for the new Athens City Primary School, Mrs. Jill Swafford, and the upcoming Assistant Principal for the new Athens City Intermediate School, Mr. Ryan Armstrong. Mrs. Swafford is currently serving as Ingleside Principal. She has 24 years of classroom experience with 7 years of experience as Principal in Athens City Schools. Mrs. Swafford will begin her new position in the fall of 2023 when the school opens. Mr. Armstrong is currently serving as 4th Grade Teacher at North City School. He has 12 years of classroom experience with 5 years being at Athens City. Mr. Armstrong will begin his new position in the fall of 2023 when the school opens.
- ✓ Applications for Leadership McMinn Class of 2022-2023 are currently available. The program is sponsored by the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce and is a great way to learn about the community and make personal and business contacts. Anyone interested in applying can contact the chamber at 423-745-0334, by emailing Julie@athenschamber.org or you can pick up an application at the Chamber office in downtown Athens.
- ✓ Anyone who donates blood at MEDIC Regional Blood Center will receive Dollywood Tickets the week of August 15th thru the 19th while supplies last. Appointments are encouraged and can be made online at www.medicblood.org or by calling 865-524-3074.

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

♦ **Joyce A. Pounders**, age 81, of Athens, passed away Monday, August 8th at the home of her daughter. She was a native of Bradley County and longtime resident of McMinn County. A funeral service will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, August 11th at Smith Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday prior to the service. Interment will be at 11 a.m. Friday, August 12th at Eastanallee Cemetery. Smith Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **Gayla Diane Henry Glass**, age 70, passed away Sunday, August 7th at a Cleveland church. She sang during her late teens and twenties with her siblings as The Henry Singers. After graduating from high school, she was employed by Meigs County Bank and later worked at Bowater. She had a remarkable gift and ear for music and later studied music at Belmont College. While at Belmont, she received an invitation to play the piano for The Telestials, a Dove Award-nominated Gospel group. She along with her husband, Sammy Glass, continued to travel with the Telestials until they started their own ministry, The Sammy Glass Family. She ministered with her husband and three children as the Sammy Glass Family for over 30 years traveling across the United States spreading the gospel. A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, August 13th at North Cleveland Church of God in the Dixon Chapel with visitation from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday prior to the 2 p.m. service. Interment will follow at Upper Spring Creek Cemetery in Riceville. Ziegler Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.

Obituaries Continued

♦ **John Tucker**, age 84, of Ball Ground, Georgia, passed away Friday, August 5th. He was a native of Etowah. A graveside service will be at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday at Conasauga Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.

State News

♦ The TN Secretary of State, Tre Hargett, is warning Tennessee business owners to be aware of a scam that has resurfaced and is once again targeting businesses with a deceptive mailer. Businesses across the state have received the misleading mailer from a company that goes by TN Certificate of Existence Filing Company. The mailer, titled 2022 Certificate of Existence Request, claims that all Tennessee businesses are required to pay a fee of \$175.50 for this third-party company to step in and complete the Certificate of Existence paperwork on businesses' behalf. For more information about Secretary Hargett's warning to businesses about the scam, visit the News & Updates section on sos.tn.gov.

TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT. U.S. stocks finished lower. Treasury yields rose. Oil prices held above \$90. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 58.13 to 32,774.41. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 17.59 to 4,122.47, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 150.53 to 12,493.93.

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