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Lotus Thai Cuisine Ribbon Cutting

A ribbon cutting/grand re-opening was celebrated recently for new Athens Area Chamber of Commerce member, Lotus Thai Cuisine, located at 420 South White St., Athens. Chamber friends joining the celebration and pictured here left to right are: Amy McDonald, Chamber Diplomat; Paul Semenoff; Teddy Chai (Lotus Thai Cuisine); Kalim Yang (Owner Lotus Thai Cuisine); Stevani Yang (Lotus Thai Cuisine); Colleen Vasko; Taylor Barselou; Ashton Burrows, Chamber Diplomat; Dannielle McMurray, Chamber Diplomat; Lisa Rhea, Chamber Diplomat; Back: Hunter Starr, Chamber Diplomat; Stephanie Devine; Traci White, Chamber Diplomat; Karen Hutsell, Athens Chamber; Heather Bateman, Chamber Diplomat; Rob Preston, Chamber President/CEO; Doug Bailey, Chamber Diplomat; Holly Goines, Chamber Board. Photo submitted by Julie Simbeck



Bell Named Sr. Advisor



The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) has named State Senator Mike Bell (R-Riceville) as the agency's new Senior Advisor for Legislative Affairs and Policy. A lifelong sportsman and small business owner, Bell will bring a wealth of institutional knowledge and personal experience to the TWRA. Bell, who had previously announced his intent to retire from the Senate, will resign his seat effective Au-

gust 31st. He begins his new role with the TWRA September 1st. "I look forward to working with TWRA," said Bell. "For as long as I can remember I have been an avid outdoorsman. I am excited for the opportunity to help advance the agency's efforts to ensure Tennessee's rich natural resources can be enjoyed for many future generations." Executive Director Jason Maxedon said they are excited to welcome Senator Bell to the TWRA family. Bell was first elected to Tennessee House District 23 in 2006 representing McMinn and Monroe Counties and was subsequently elected to Tennessee Senate District 9 in 2010 representing Bradley, McMinn, Meigs, Monroe and Polk Counties. "Serving in the General Assembly for the last 16 years has been the highest honor of my life," Bell continued. "I will always be grateful to the citizens in House District 1 and Senate District 9 for the trust they have put in me to represent them in the legislature." In addition to his regular duties as a state legislator, Bell has been an active member and co-chair of the National Legislative Sportsmen's Caucus and a member of the Executive Council of the National Association of Sportsmen's Caucuses. (Photo Courtesy of TWRA)

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Thursday - Cloudy. Possible t'storm. Humid in p.m. High 85.

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Obituaries

- Patricia Diane Meadows Cook, age 66, of Athens, passed away Wednesday, August 17th at Tennova Healthcare in Cleveland. Arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home of Athens.
- Ayanna Fatima Roberts, age 49, passed away Wednesday, August 10th. She worked over twenty-five years at Heil Trailer Company in Athens and was a proficient welder. A funeral service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, August 20th at M. D. Dotson and Sons Funeral Home of Athens, with visitation from 12 noon to 1 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will follow the service at Hammonds Cemetery. M.D. Dotson and Sons Funeral Home is in charge.
- ◆ Joshua "Josh" Ray Shell, age 42, passed away Sunday, August 14th. A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, August 19th at Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services with visitation from 12 noon to 2 p.m. prior to the service. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is in charge.

TODAY IN HISTORY - August 18th

1587 - Virginia Dare became the first child of English parents to be born in present-day America, on what is now Roanoke Island in North Carolina. (However, the Roanoke colony ended up mysteriously disap-

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1894 - Congress established the Bureau of Immigration.

1914 - President Woodrow Wilson issued his Proclamation of Neutrality, aimed at keeping the United States out of World War I.

1920 - The 19th Amendment to the Constitution, guaranteeing all American women the right to vote, was ratified as Tennessee became the 36th state to approve it. Harry T. Burn of Niota cast the decisive vote in the Tennessee State Senate.

Market Report

Stocks finished lower after Tuesday's close left the S&P 500 at its highest level since early May. Interest rates were higher. The 10-year Treasury yield closed near 2.9%. Energy stocks got a boost from higher oil prices.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 171.69 to 33,980.32. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 31.16 to 4,274.04, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 164.43 to 12,938.12.

♦COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE

Weekly Summary: 08/07/22 - 08/13/22

Tennessee:	2,242,534 Total Cases	27,223 Total Deaths
COUNTY	<u>CASES</u>	DEATHS
McMinn	18,032	270
Meigs	3,710	59
Monroe	15,847	251
Polk	5,108	83
Bradley	35,832	428
Rhea	10,763	164

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



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