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Athens, Tennessee

### **Armstrong Realty Ribbon Cutting**

A ribbon cutting was celebrated recently for new Athens Area Chamber of Commerce member, Jerry Armstrong Realty LLC- Savannah Denny Affiliate Broker, located at 406 Congress Pkwy., Athens. Chamber friends joining the celebration and pictured here left to right are: Kellie Collins (Chamber Diplomat), Mary McConkey, Savannah Denny (Jerry Armstrong Realty LLC Affiliate Broker) John Forgety (Jerry Armstrong Realty LLC), Jerry Armstrong (Owner Jerry Armstrong Realty LLC), Karen Sullivan (Athens Chamber), Lisa Rhea (Chamber Diplomat) Back row: Jordon Millsaps, Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Athens City Councilman Dick Pelley, Paul Semenoff (Chamber Diplomat), Hunter Starr (Chamber Diplomat), John Rodriguez (Chamber Board).



### **Community News You Can Use**

- ✓ Athens Travelers Toys for Kids Car Show will be Saturday, October 15th from 9 to 3 at Long Chevrolet located at 1900 Congress Parkway, S. in Athens. There will be music, refreshments, and a food truck as well as several items for auction during the show. They will also have door prizes. In case of rain, the show will be rescheduled for November 5th.
- ✓ **Update:** The speaker, Robert Gibson scheduled to be at the Lakeview Baptist Church Community Day & Car Show on Saturday, October 15th will not be there. There will be Gospel Music, food and door prizes. The church is located next to Dynasty Spas in Athens.

### Museum Open in S. Pittsburg

✓ The new Lodge Cast Iron Museum, which is located in its hometown in South Pittsburg, is now open for visitors. Anyone who's ever cooked with an iron skillet knows its unique properties are perfect for most dishes. The Lodge Cast Iron CEO and President, Mike Otterman, says guests will now have the chance to get hands-on and interact with some of the displays and see how the skillets are made in their foundry. The second and third generation of the Lodge family were residents of Athens in the 1950's and early 1960's



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## **Today in History**

**1775 -** This is the birthday of the U.S. Navy. On this date, the U.S. Continental Congress ordered construction of America's first naval fleet.

1792 - The cornerstone was laid for the White House on this date.

**1941** - Singer Paul Simon was born. He and Art Garfunkel had many hit records singing as a duo. Later, they split up and pursued solo careers. Simon's solo hits include "Slip Slidin' Away" and "50 Ways To Leave Your Lover."

**1943** - After being conquered by the Allies, Italy declared war on Germany, its former Axis partner.

**1959** - Singer Marie Osmond was born. She and her brother, Donny, had numerous hit records in the 1970's and also starred in their own TV show. Both later went solo. Marie's solo hits include "Paper Roses."

**1960** - Richard M. Nixon and John F. Kennedy participated in the third televised debate of the presidential campaign, with Nixon in Hollywood, California, and Kennedy in New York.

#### WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: Equity mar-

kets ended modestly lower. Treasury yields fell across most of the curve. The 10-year Treasury yield inched closer to its highs of the year of about 4.0%. At the closing bell, The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 28.34 to 29,210.85. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 11.81 to 3,577.03, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 9.09 to 10,417.10.

# **MCEC Director Investigation**

✓ Investigators confirmed that the former director of the Meigs County Emergency Communications District misappropriated more than \$1 million over the course of almost a decade. According to the Tennessee Comptroller's Office, at least \$1,084,188.60 was misappropriated from July of 2011 to February of 2021. The Tennessee Comptroller's Office says the money was misappropriated by falsifying invoices from both real and fictitious vendors and then cashing district checks that were written to pay the phony invoices. The former director Kelly Taylor died in February 2021 just as the case became public.

#### **◆COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE**

Weekly Summary: 10/02/22 - 10/08/22

There were 795 cases (per day) and 12 deaths (per day) last week **Tennessee:** 2,346,822 Total Cases 27,956 Total Deaths

| COUNTY  | CASES  | DEATHS |
|---------|--------|--------|
| McMinn  | 18,940 | 277    |
| Meigs   | 3,925  | 62     |
| Monroe  | 16,876 | 256    |
| Polk    | 5,320  | 87     |
| Bradley | 37,217 | 435    |
| Rhea    | 11 171 | 166    |

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



