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#### Athens, Tennessee

## **Simmons Bank Donates to Museum**

Simmons Bank recently announced a \$20,000 donation to the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum's capital campaign. The funds will support renovations to the museum including expansion of the exhibits, incorporating interactive components of the exhibits for children and expanding museum storage. "Simmons Bank is proud to serve our communities and invest in the future of the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum," said Jordan Curtis, vice president, private wealth market director at Simmons Bank. In 2022, the museum celebrated their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary and launched their capital campaign to expand the exhibits and storage archives. "We are grateful to Simmons Bank for their investment in preserving Athens' history," said Ann Davis, executive director of the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum. "Investing in the next chapter of the museum, which also serves as the Athens Welcome Center, will help ensure visitors can experience our history firsthand for generations to come."



The photo was taken in Gallery 1 the newest temporary exhibit by Kristy Moeller Ottinger. Photo submitted by Simmons Bank. In the photo: (L-R) Charlene Such, Betty Catherine Boyd, Kim Pierce, Greg Moses, Tom Biddle, Jordan Curtis, Ann Davis and Jason Housley

## **Community News You Can Use**

✓ Nominations are now being accepted by the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce for McMinn County's "2022 Mother of the Year". Nomination forms and award guidelines may be obtained at the Chamber office located at 13 North Jackson Street in Athens, Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by calling 423-745-0334. The deadline for nominations is March 20<sup>th</sup>.

✓ Nominations are now open for the "Febb Ensminger Burn Woman of the Year" award. Nominees should be at least 40 years of age and have been a resident of McMinn County for at least 15 years. Crescent Sock Company is the sponsor of the Woman of the Year award which was named in memory of Febb Burn. If you would like to nominate someone for this award, please send a signed letter of recommendation along with details about their leadership roles, accomplishments, awards, involvement in local civic organizations and volunteer work in the McMinn County community. Please submit nominations to Crescent Sock Company as follows: Via mail to: Attn: WOTY, PO Box 669, Niota, TN 37826.

Via email to: <u>callen@crescent-inc.com</u> (Cathy B Allen) or <u>sbboyd@crescent-inc.com</u> (Sandra B Boyd)

The deadline for nominations is Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 2023. The committee will diligently review all nominees and select a winner. The award will be presented at the annual meeting of The Athens Area Chamber of Commerce in April 2023.





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Athens, Tennessee

# **Today in History**

1756 - Composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was born in Austria.

**1825** - Congress approved Indian Territory (present-day Oklahoma), clearing the way for forced relocation of the Eastern Indians on the "Trail of Tears."

**1832** - British author Lewis Carroll was born. He wrote "Alice's Adventures In Wonderland."

**1880** - Inventor Thomas Edison was granted a patent for the electric incandescent lamp on this date, and then proceeded to "light up our lives." **1919** - David Seville, creator of "The Chipmunks," was born.

**1924** - Lenin's body was laid in a marble tomb on Red Square near the Kremlin.

**1927** - United Independent Broadcasters Inc. started a radio network with contracts with 16 stations. The company later became Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS).

**1939** - President Franklin D. Roosevelt approved the sale of U.S. war planes to France.

**1959** - NASA selected 110 candidates for the first U.S. space flight.

**1967** - Three astronauts were killed when fire swept through their Apollo spacecraft during a test at Cape Kennedy. They were Virgil Grissom, Ed White, and Roger Chaffee.

**1973 -** The U.S. and North Vietnam signed a cease-fire agreement.

◆ THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT: Markets rose sizably on the back of a GDP report that showed strong GDP. Bitcoin was also up. In the bond market, yields were little changed. The 10-year is still below 3.5%. European and Asian shares rose. At the closing bell the Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 205.57 to 33,949.41. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 44.21 to 4,060.43, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 199.06 to 11,512.41. Oil closed at 81.23 + 22 cents.

# **Church News and Events**

- Trinity Trio will be singing Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> at 6 o'clock in Georgetown at Brittsville Baptist church.

- Union McMinn Baptist Church is having a Men's Conference February 10<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>. Free tickets are available at Sweetwater Baptist Association in Madisonville and McMinn-Meigs Baptist Association in Athens. A free meal will be served on Friday at 5 p.m. and Saturday at 8 a.m. You must have a ticket for the meal. Contact Bryan Coffey at 865-755-0181 for more information. Union McMinn Baptist Church is located off I-75 exit 56 in Niota at 314 Co Rd 316 Niota.

- Chosen will be singing at Cooke Ministry Center Friday, (tonight) January 27th at 7 p.m.

- 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.

- 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.

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

