

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

McMinn Senior Activity Center Re-Opens With Ribbon Cutting

A ribbon cutting was celebrated recently for the reopening of the McMinn Senior Activity Center, located at 205 McMinn Ave., Athens. Chamber friends joining the celebration are pictured below with the McMinn Senior Activity Center Executive Director Diane Hutsell and staff members, board of directors and community support. The Senior Center was originally built in 1998, and unexpectedly closed its doors on December 26, 2022, due to a burst water line and extensive water damage throughout the building. The Senior Center is now open and offers meals, recreational activities, volunteer opportunities, and a variety of programs for seniors to promote well-being and independence. It is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 2 pm. See page 2 for McMinn Senior Center Staff and Board photo. Photo submitted by Julie Simbeck





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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

◆ Faith Marguerite Prior, age 65, of Columbia, SC, passed away Monday, March 13th at Lexington Medical Center in Columbia, SC. She was a native of Detroit, MI and a former resident of Plainfield, CT before moving to Columbia, SC eleven years ago. She was a former employee with Warner & Lambert/Pfizer where she worked as a biotechnologist having worked on drug and Alzheimer's research. There will be a graveside service at Pond Hill Cemetery on Thursday, March 16th at 12 pm. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

• Vivian Ruth Powers, age 69, passed away Sunday, March 12^{th} at NHC Healthcare of Athens. She was a native of Meigs County. She was a former employee of Arch/Lonza Chemicals with over 25 years of service. She was a graduate of Meigs County High School and Chattanooga Business School. A funeral service will be at 2 pm, Thursday, March 16^{th} at Ziegler Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Decatur Cemetery. The family will receive friends at 1 pm prior to the funeral service. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: Stocks fluctuated before losing a bit of that momentum late, but still closed the day with solid gains. The day's rally was driven by dialed-down fears around recent bank failures. The financial services sector led the way spurred by a rebound in regional bank stocks. Small-caps also outperformed. Treasury yields were up. At the closing bell, The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 336.26 to 32,155.40. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 63.53 to 3,919.29, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 239.31 to 11,428.15.

Ribbon Cutting Sr. Center Continued

Here's the McMinn Senior Activity Center Staff and Board. Front row: (L-R) Regina Whitehead, Diane Hutsell, Melinda King, Terrie Rountree, Allyson Kirkland, Shelby Wilson, Cheryl Ingram. Back row: (L-R) Rob Preston, Glenn Shell, Ida Johnson, Tom Blandford, Lola Allen Photo submitted by Julie Simbeck



◆ This week on "Hope From the Well," the guest will be Women at the Well student Erin Jenne. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. each Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5.

TODAY IN HISTORY - MARCH 15th

44 B.C. - Julius Caesar was assassinated by Brutus and other Roman officials. The assassins feared that Caesar's popularity would make him too powerful a dictator. As it turned out, his assassination turned him into a martyr. This day is known as the "Ides of March."

1493 - Christopher Columbus returned to Spain, concluding his first voyage to the Western Hemisphere. **1767** - Andrew Jackson was born in South Carolina. At the age of 13, he was fighting for American independence. In the war of 1812, he lived on hickory nuts and earned the nickname, "Old Hickory." He became the 7th President in 1829. The Hermitage near Nashville was his home.

1820 - Maine became the 23rd state.

1913 - President Woodrow Wilson met with about 100 reporters for the first formal presidential press conference.

1927 - Country singer Carl Smith was born.

1931 - D.J. Fontana, drummer for Elvis Presley, was born.

1937 - America's first hospital blood bank was opened at Cook County Hospital in Illinois.

1939 - The German army crossed the Czech frontier and Adolf Hitler proclaimed the so-called Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia by annexing it and making it a part of NAZI Germany.

1941 - Mike Love of the Beachboys was born.

1956 - "My Fair Lady" opened on Broadway starring Julie Andrews. It ran for 2,717 performances.

1972 - "The Godfather," Francis Ford Coppola's epic gangster movie based on the Mario Puzo novel and starring Marlon Brando and Al Pacino, premiered in New York. 1985, the first internet domain name, symbolics.com, was registered by the Symbolics Computer Corp. of Massachusetts.