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Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Friendly City Festivals will kickoff the Sounds of Summer Concert Series **today**, June 9th with the Dexter Thomas Band! The Dexter Thomas Band is known for playing the best of 60's & 70's Rock, R&B and Funk. The concert begins at 7 pm. Bring a chair, blanket, and enjoy some good music at the Market Park Pavilion in Downtown Athens.
- ✓ Let's Read 20 is collecting new and gently used books for children. Let's Read 20 of McMinn County would love to have any new and used (in good condition) baby, children, and teen books. Donation bins are located at Food City in Athens and in front of the Let's Read 20 office located at 202 Hicks Street, Athens.
- ✓ Etowah Senior Center has volunteer opportunities in the Athens area delivering Meals-on-Wheels. It would be approximately one and one half hour once each week. If interested, call 423-781-7632.
- ✓ A Cruise In will be at First Church of God, 1340 Hwy 39E in Englewood on Saturday June 17th from 9:30 to 11:30. Free Coffee and Doughnuts, Antique cars, Hot Rods, Motorcycles, Antique Tractors. All are welcome. Please call 423-333-3005, 423-887-3918, or 423-887-5297 for more information.
- ✓ American Legion Post 68 will be having a Childrens Flag Day Event on June 14th at Athens Regional Park from 9-11 am. Kids Age 5-12 are welcome to attend. Call 423 507-4938 to register your child. Limited spaces are available.
- ✓ "The monthly meeting for the Cherokee Beekeepers Association will be held on Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. The meeting location is at the AgCentral Farmers Cooperative located at 920 Congress Pkwy. N., Athens. The public is welcome and you do not need to be a member to attend."

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

♦ **Gracie Louise Rinehart Farris**, age 89, of Athens, passed away Tuesday, June 6th. She was a native and lifelong resident of McMinn County. She was retired from Athens Products. Louise loved and cared well for others and was a blessing and encouragement to all who knew her. A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 10th at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Clear Springs Cemetery. Visitation will be from 12-2 P.M. on Saturday. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of the arrangements.

TODAY IS:

- **National Donald Duck Day**
- **National Strawberry Rhubarb Pie Day**
- **National Earl Day: honors the legends named Earl**
- **Coral Triangle Day**
- **World Antiphospholipid Antibody Syndrome Day: raises awareness for this rare autoimmune disease**
- **National Movie Night (2nd Friday in June)**

Church News and Events

- Pentecostals of Etowah is having a BBQ fundraiser Saturday, June 10th at Sloan's in Etowah from 11 am to 4 pm.
- Homecoming at Walnut Grove Baptist Church in Decatur will be held on Sunday, June 11th at 10 a.m. (No Sunday School) with special singers, 2x2 quartet. All are welcome.
- 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 Woodward Avenue Church of God every Tuesday at 6 p.m.
- Vacation Bible School begins at Walnut Grove Baptist Church in Decatur Monday, June 12th from 6 to 9 pm for ages birth-12th grade. Dinner will be served nightly.
- Planted in Christ Outreach Fellowship invites you to worship with them on June 11th from 10am to 6pm. Their guest preacher will be John Washington III from Campbell Station, Arkansas. They are located on 317 Maple Street in Athens. For more information contact Pastor Keith Jones at 423.321.9886 or Pastor Andy Holmes at 423.435.8986 or email: Christofthecross@gmail.com

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