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## MVA In Englewood

After losing control of a 2008 Ford Escape X and hitting an embankment Saturday morning at 5:30 at the intersection Co Rds 422 and 418, Englewood, the driver was transported by AMR to Starr Regional Hospital Etowah. Englewood and Niota Rural Fire Departments, and McMinn County Sheriff's Dept all responded to the scene. THP Officer Travis Ryans investigated the accident. Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department



## Community News You Can Use

✓ The Goodfriend School of Business at TWU will host an international trip in May 2024 to France, Belgium, and Holland. This trip is open to students, alumni, and the community. Information sessions will be held on Wednesday, September 13th at 12 pm and 5 pm in Elliott Hall – room 110. If you cannot attend and would like more information, contact Anne Montgomery at [amontgomery@tnwesleyan.edu](mailto:amontgomery@tnwesleyan.edu) or 423-252-1119.

✓ The governing body of McMinn County will convene and meet in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse, Athens, in Regular Session on September 18, 2023, at 7:30 pm to review and approve contracts; approve budget amendments; McMinn County Health Update; comments from the audience. There will also be reports from committees, county officials, comments from commissioners; comments from the county mayor; approval of notary applications; and will transact such other business as may legally come before the commissioners.

✓ The McMinn County election commission will meet in regular session, Tuesday, September 19th at 5:00 pm in the conference room of the McMinn County Courthouse and will conduct any election business to legally come before the board. The agenda will be posted on the bulletin board at the election office Friday, September 15th.

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## Obituaries

♦**Joyce Sue Wamble Sistrunk**, age 85, of Ten Mile, passed away on Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup> surrounded by her family. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

♦**Janet Denise Roderick**, age 48, of Athens, passed away on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at her residence. Visitation will be from 12:00 PM until 2:00 PM on Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at Ziegler Funeral Home with funeral services to follow at 2:00 PM. Interment will follow at McMinn Memory Gardens in Athens. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## TWU Pledge

Tennessee Wesleyan University, in an effort to make college more affordable, announces the launch of the TWU Pledge. The TWU Pledge is a last dollar scholarship program beginning in the Fall 2024 semester that will allow incoming freshmen meeting certain criteria to attend Tennessee Wesleyan tuition free. "For more than 165 years, Tennessee Wesleyan has served many first generation and underserved student populations. The TWU Pledge further demonstrates our commitment to making a college education attainable for those that may not have envisioned themselves being afforded an opportunity to attend a private university," said Dr. Tyler Forrest, TWU President. The (Story continued at right)



## TWU Pledge Continued

TWU Pledge will allow HOPE Scholarship eligible new freshman students with a family adjusted gross income of \$36,000 or less to attend Tennessee Wesleyan University tuition free beginning in Fall 2024. The launch of the TWU Pledge is the first step to improving student access and affordability for students across the great state of Tennessee. Tennessee Wesleyan consistently ranks high among many college and university ranking agencies, often with a cost of attendance well below other regional private and public universities. The TWU Pledge, for those meeting the criteria, will make Tennessee Wesleyan an even better option as students consider their post-secondary education objectives. The criteria are quite simple to be considered for the TWU Pledge.

- Student must be an incoming Freshman; transfer students do not qualify.
  - Student must be a resident of Tennessee with at least a 3.0 GPA or 21 on the ACT.
  - Household adjusted gross income must be \$36,000 or less (based on 2022 tax return)
  - Student must complete the FAFSA by April 1, 2024.
- For more information, contact the Tennessee Wesleyan University Office of Admissions at 423-746-5285. To learn more about Tennessee Wesleyan, visit [tnwesleyan.edu](http://tnwesleyan.edu).



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