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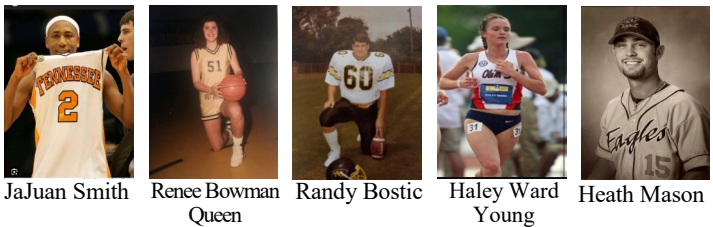


Tuesday, September 19, 2023 Athens, Tennessee

MCHS Sports Hall of Fame

The 2023 McMinn County High School Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremony will be held on Friday, September 22nd at the high school. There will be a meet and greet reception at 4:30 in the cafeteria and the induction ceremony will begin at 5:45 in the auditorium. This year's inductees are, JaJuan Smith - Basketball and Football; Renee Bowman Queen - Basketball; Randy Bostic - Football; Haley Ward Young - Track, Cross Country, Basketball and Soccer; Heath Mason - Baseball and Football. See Photos below. The public is invited.


Photos submitted by Randy Mullins



JaJuan Smith Renee Bowman Queen Randy Bostic Haley Ward Young Heath Mason

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Athens City Council meets tonight at 6 p.m.
- ✓ The UT Extension McMinn (FCS) is offering a free "Hidden in Plain Sight" event on September 21st from 5:30pm to 7:00pm at Mt. View School, 145 Co. Rd 627 in Etowah. There will be a free simulation, led by Sheriff Joe Guy and SRO's. There's practice skills for identifying risky behaviors in youth environments. There will be a mock teen bedroom set up for adults to search through and try to find hidden signs of drug and alcohol use. Then, law enforcement will talk to caregivers about what is occurring locally and what to look for, etc. A Family Check-up, led by Sarah Kite, UT Extension will strengthen family communication to protect against substance abuse, learn tips and ideas to navigate family units. Risk & Protective Factors will be led by Juvenile Services. Learn tips to protect youth. Review case study of "Andrew's" life from ages 13-19 years (based on a true story). You will learn chain of events, the difference between risk or protective factors, and community protective / risk factors.
- ✓ Make your reservations now for the Hiwassee River Scenic Railroad. Trains run every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday in September and October and some weekdays in October. Call 423-263-7840 or TVRail.com

 <p>WE ARE HIRING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR</p>	The McMinn County Living Heritage Museum is seeking a dynamic and visionary individual to join our team as the Executive Director. We are looking for someone who is not only appreciative of McMinn County's history and artifacts but also possesses strong leadership skills and a passion for community engagement.	Other Important Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic thinker and problem solver • Program and grant writing experience • Budget experience • Excellent verbal and written communication skills 	Application Deadline: September 25, 2023 Send Cover Letter and Resume' to: Attn: Clarice Baggett McMinn County Living Heritage Museum P O Box 889 Athens, TN 37371-0889	For More Information and Job Description please visit our website at: livingheritagemuseum.org 423-745-0329
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Obituaries

♦**Robert Henry Swift**, age 65, of Dayton, passed away on Wednesday, September 13th. If you knew him, you knew just how much he loved his girls, his grand babies, and all of his family so much. He was hardworking and lived to help others. He could fix anything and loved doing yard work. He loved rock n' roll, women, working out, drawing and making things, fishing, motorcycles, playing darts, and just hanging out and having a good time. He was truly a great father, brother, and friend. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

♦**Joan Evelyn Bowie Menard**, age 80, of Ten Mile, passed away peacefully on Sunday, September 17th at her home surrounded by her family. She was born in Lewiston, Maine. She graduated from Lisbon High School in 1961. She began her nursing career, graduating from Central Maine School of Nursing, in 1964. In 1966 She married the love of her life, David Menard, in 1966 and continued her nursing career at Parkview Memorial Hospital in Brunswick, Maine where she was employed for 35 years and served as the hospital Nursing Supervisor and was responsible for writing the policies and procedures manuals. Joan and Dave, along with their three beautiful daughters, also ran a small farm. In 2003 She and Dave moved to Kingston, TN where she continued her nursing career in the Emergency Room at the Roane County Medical Center until her retirement in 2015, where she also spent a year as the patient advocate for ER patients prior to her retirement. She had been a volunteer at Meigs Ministries since 2003 and, for the last few years had been a volunteer at Decatur St. Mary's Legacy Clinic. Joan was a communicant of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Athens. A Celebration of life memorial service will be held on Saturday, September 30th at 1 p.m. in the Chapel of Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

Obituaries - Continued

♦**John Earl Norris**, 83, of Athens, passed away peacefully on September 17th. John was born in McMinn County. He was self-employed, venturing in dairy farming, trucking, and investing. He loved to travel, play golf, ride his motorcycle, and enjoy his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. A graveside service will be held at McMinn Memory Gardens in Athens on Wednesday at 1:00 pm. There will be visitation from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm on Wednesday at Companion Funeral & Cremation Service of Athens. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of the arrangements.

♦**Sherry Knox Allison**, age 72, passed away Sunday, September 17th. Sherry was a wonderful wife, mother, and friend. She was very loving and giving, changing the lives of every person she came in contact with. A graveside service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, September 22nd at Etowah Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.

♦**Frances Ozelle Creasman Ricks**, age 87 of Athens, passed away Monday, Sept. 18th in Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. She was a native and lifelong resident of McMinn County. She retired from Athens Utilities Board after 30 years of Service. She was a member of North Athens Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School, sang in the Choir and Ladies Trio and served in many ways at the church. She was a member of Professional Secretaries of America, founding member of Tri-County Center having served on its Board, and Involved with the March of Dimes. Funeral services will be at 2:00 P.M. Wednesday in the Chapel of Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home. Interment will follow in Eastanallee Cemetery. Visitation will be from 12:00-2:00 P.M. on Wednesday at the funeral home. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



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