

Community News You Can Use

✓ Christ Community Church is sponsoring a free presentation "Outsmart the Scammers" on Sunday, Oct. 22^{nd} from 3 to 4:30 p.m. presented by Joseph Ladner, Financial Advisor with Edward Jones. Rsvp <u>christcommunitychurchathens@outlook.com</u> or call 423-745- 8185 by 10/18/2023.

✓ The Friends of Etowah Carnegie Library will hold their monthly book sale on Saturday, October 14th. The book sale is on the first floor of the library and will be open 10am-2pm. The November book sale has been CANCELLED due to a conflict with Veteran's Day. As there is no book sale in December, October's book sale will be the last sale until January of 2024. For more information, call (423) 263-9475 or visit the library online at: www.etowahlibrary.com.

✓ An annular solar eclipse will pass over the United States on Saturday, October 14th. Etowah Carnegie Library is excited to host an eclipse observation party for all ages from 12pm-2pm! Environmental Educator & Naturalist Jean Johnston will be teaching about solar system science with an educational story time and activity. The library will be handing out eclipse glasses and solar system-themed snacks to all program participants. This event is FREE and no registration is required!

✓ Etowah Senior Center has a few appointments left for Medicare Open Enrollment Counseling on October 27th and November 15th. The counseling will be offered through SHIP, or State Health Insurance Assistance Program. Medicare Open Enrollment is a window that takes place each fall during which enrollees can reevaluate their existing Medicare coverage and make changes if they wish. To make an appointment, call the senior center at 423-781-7632.

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Restaurant Inspection Scores

The following food service establishments were inspected in September. The report shows the original score and the corrected score.

Facility	Address	City	Score	Corrected Score	Insp Date
Burkett's	204 E College St	Athens	92	99	9/18/2023
Jenkins Grill & Market	411 S. Jackson St.	Athens	98	98	9/18/2023
Las Marias	900 Ingleside Ave	Athens	86	97	9/15/2023
Mayfield Farm Park Concession Stand	257 Hwy 307 East	Athens	93	98	9/23/2023
Mayfield Farm Park Ice Cream Scoop	257 Hwy 307 East	Athens	100	100	9/23/2023
Mayfield Farm Park Kettle Corn	257 Hwy 307 East	Athens	99	99	9/23/2023
Mayfield Farm Park Smoke Shack	257 Hwy 307 East	Athens	99	99	9/23/2023
Monterrey Mexican Restaurant	319 S. Congress Pkwy	Athens	97	97	9/18/2023
Mountain View Elementary Cafeteria	145 County Road 627	Etowah	99	99	9/14/2023
Niota Elementary Cafeteria	418 Burn Rd.	Niota	100	100	9/13/2023
Reagan Station Snack Bar	2340 Hwy 11 S	Sweetwater	99	99	9/13/2023
Sno-Biz Mobile Unit	418 S White St	Athens	100	100	9/15/2023
Sugar Shack	805 W Willson St	Niota	98	98	9/19/2023
Taco Bell #033994	2535 Decatur Pk	Athens	92	97	9/19/2023
Tennessee Wesleyan College	201 E. College St.	Athens	85	97	9/18/2023
The American Lunchbox Mobile Unit	136 County Road 456	Athens	84	98	9/23/2023
The Dairy Barn	1108 Congress Pkwy	Athens	100	100	9/19/2023
Waffle House #2389	625 Tennessee Ave	Etowah	85	97	9/25/2023
Woods Family Diner	327 Tennessee Ave	Etowah	100	100	9/25/2023



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Athens, Tennessee

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Dr. Regenia Mayfield was a long-time member of the Board of Trustees, chairperson of two annual campaigns, and a life-long champion for Tennessee Wesleyan University.

She loved music and was a member of the legendary Jack Houts Choir, and in 2006 was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Music.

In appreciation of her loyal support, Tennessee Wesleyan will dedicate The Regenia Mayfield Music Suite on Saturday, October 21, at 9:30 a.m. in the Sherman Fine Arts Building on campus. Please join us as we honor her faithful support of TWU.

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

• **Ricky McNelley,** age 71, of Benton passed away at his home on Monday, October 2nd. He was a devoted family man, he loved his grandchildren, nieces and nephew more than anything. He cared more about taking care of others than himself. He loved the mountains, spending time on the lake and telling stories. A graveside service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, October 6th in Brock Cemetery in Benton. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge.

Rev. John Wynn passed away on October 2nd surrounded by loved ones. Together John and Othella were pastors of Staffordtown Church in Copperhill, TN for over 50 years. Even in his 90's he preached in several churches monthly. During his years of living for the Lord, he held many life-changing tent revivals, wrote two books and composed numerous songs; and he even had his own podcast. Those who had the honor of being a part of Brother John's life, knew that he was one of the sweetest souls. He loved his family, his friends, singing, silly socks and so much more. Above all else, he loved the Lord. He was a soldier in the army of the Lord as well as a veteran in the United States Army. John's light shined brightly. He had a wonderful sense of humor and always kept people smiling. He will be dearly missed. The Celebration of Life for Brother John Henry Wynn Jr. (Papaw) will be at Miracle Deliverance Tabernacle (MDT CHURCH) on Thursday, October 5th. Viewing for family and friends is from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm with the funeral service following. The church is located at 245 County Road 677, Riceville. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

Tacky Sweater Event

This year is the 7th Annual Shed Fitness Tacky Sweater Event, and each year a few close friends get together to try and change a person, or family's lives who are battling an illness of some sort. Local businesses have been the largest contributor by donating items to be auctioned off with all proceeds going directly to the honoree at the Shed's Tacky Sweater Event. This year they are taking a different approach and are requesting monetary donations from all businesses. Some of the items needed are televisions, grills, and vacations to name a few, for example. These donations will be tax deductible as a business expense (not charitable). Sponsorship Options are 1) Platinum Sponsor-\$250; 2) Gold Sponsor-\$100; 3) Silver Sponsor-\$50, and 4) Bronze Sponsor-\$25. This year Sam Goodin is the honoree. He is a sophomore baseball player at Tennessee Wesleyan University and was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer earlier this year. He is the son of Chad and Amy Goodin and raised here in McMinn County. Let's continue to change lives and give The Goodin family a little extra Christmas cheer this holiday season. To make donations, please contact Justin McRary at The Shed Fitness Center at (828) 446-0805. The event will take place December 8th at The Open Door Café in Athens.

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Chamber Ribbon Cutting

A ribbon cutting was celebrated recently for new Athens Area Chamber of Commerce member, East Tennessee Lactation, located at 1 W College St., Athens. Chamber friends joining the celebration and pictured here left to right are Karen Sullivan, Athens Chamber; Rachel Martinez, Owner East Tennessee Lactation; Anthony Martinez; Liz Mathurin; Kelsey O'Daniel; Lisa Rhea, Chamber Diplomat. Second row: John Rodriguez, Chamber Board; Nicole Andrino; Summer Jones; Lisa Mayfield; Clarrisa Holmes; Holly Goines. Third row: Doug Bailey, Chamber Diplomat; Hunter Starr; Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO); Tim Tatum, Chamber Diplomat; Lydia Martin. Fourth row: Jason Eby; Hugh Willson; Charlie Bernard; Josiah Libby and Jason Hefner.



Market Report

S tocks received a boost on Wednesday. Oil prices were down more than 5%. The consumer discretionary and technology sectors outperformed on Wednesday. At the closing bell, The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 127.17 to 33,129.55. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 34.30 to 4,263.75 and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 176.54 to 13,236.01.

TODAY IS:

- National Do Something Nice Day
- National Apple Betty Day
- National Rhode Island Day
- National Get Funky Day

Covid Update

COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE

Weekly Summary Thru 9/29/2023

Tennessee: <u>COUNTY</u>	2,605,338 Total Cases <u>CASES</u>	29,849 Total Deaths DEATHS
McMinn	20,377	295
Meigs	4,352	65
Monroe	19,018	278
Polk	5,821	89
Bradley	40,355	474
Rhea	12,196	174

Covid-19 update information from the Tennessee Department of Health is updated weekly and posted on their website.