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Maria Joins Old National



Old National Investments, formerly CapStar Wealth Management, announced last week that Miguel Maria, has joined the firm as a Wealth Advisor. Maria, who has nearly 20 years of experience in the financial advisory industry, will serve clients throughout the Athens, TN area. Maria earned a Business

Management degree from Tennessee Wesleyan University and holds Series 7 and 66 licenses through LPL Financial as well as Life and Health insurance licenses. Outside the office he serves as a board member for the Athens McMinn YMCA and participates in Kiwanis Club. He has four children with his wife, Ashleigh, who is a native of Athens, and he enjoys coaching youth sports.


Splash Pad Opening Soon

The City of Athens Parks and Recreation Department has announced that the Splashpad at Athens Regional Park will open on Wednesday, May 1st at 10:00am. The operating hours of the Splashpad are 10:00am to 8:00pm daily. The rate of renting the green and purple shade structures at the Regional Park Splashpad and Playground is \$30 for a two hour reservation beginning May 1st. Reservations may be made online at www.athenstn.gov, by calling the Parks & Recreation office at (423) 744-2704, or by visiting the office at 815 N. Jackson St. For more information, please contact the Parks & Recreation office at (423) 744-2704.



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- Tuesday-Madisonville-Will Sav -10:30 - 1:30
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Fire in Riceville on County Road 130



Fire Departments were dispatched around 2:30 pm on Thursday, April 18 to a house on County Road 130 in Riceville for a camper that had caught fire.

Upon the first unit's arrival, it was discovered that both a motor home as well as the house it was next to were on fire. Responding agencies included Riceville Fire, Athens Rural Fire, Englewood Rural Fire, Hillsview Fire, Idlewild Fire and Athens City Fire Departments with Riceville Rural Fire Chief Brandon Ainsworth in command of the scene. Other assisting agencies were AMR, VEC, and McMinn County Sheriff's Department. Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department

Community News You Can Use

- McMinn Living Heritage Museum's Trash and Treasure Premiere Night is April 24 from 5 pm to 8 pm. Admission is \$10. Tickets are available at the Museum office or upon entrance. The sale will be April 25 and 26 from 10 am to 5 pm and April 27 from 10 am to 3 pm. The sale will be at the Museum Guild Room, 522 West Madison Avenue and the Museum Annex located at 408 W Madison Avenue.
- The Athens Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Award Winners are listed along with pictures on Page 4.

We encourage you to e-mail community events, church news, or other items of interest for possible use in the Morning Fax. If you take a newsworthy photograph, send it to: wyxiradio@gmail.com



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CapStar Bank Merges with Old National

Old National Bancorp ("Old National") has confirmed the completion of its previously announced merger with Nashville-based CapStar Financial Holdings, Inc. ("CapStar"), the parent company of CapStar Bank, effective as of April 1.

"This partnership is an incredible cultural fit and a natural extension of our growth strategy that allows us to introduce our client- and community-centered approach to banking to several strong, vibrant Southeastern communities," said Old National Chairman and CEO Jim Ryan. "We are excited to have reached this important milestone and to officially welcome CapStar clients and team members to the Old National family."

Following the merger's closure, Old National boasts approximately \$52 billion in assets and \$29 billion in assets under management (based on pro forma figures using data from December 31, 2023), positioning it as one of the top 30 banking entities headquartered in the United States. CapStar Bank will continue its operations as a division of Old National Bank until the anticipated banking centers and systems conversions, which are slated for the third quarter of 2024.

LISTENING REMINDER: This week's guest on Main Street Moments will be Terri Kratz, President of the Museum Guild. The broadcast will be aired at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday on WYXI RADIO: AM-1390 and FM-94.5.

Obituaries

- **Claude Henry Anderson**, age 92, a cherished resident of Englewood, passed away on April 16. He was a native of Murphy, North Carolina and a longtime resident of Englewood. Claude was a former member of Mt. Harmony Baptist Church in Niota, and the First Baptist Church of Englewood. Claude was a devoted husband of 72 years to Marilyn (Gail) Cochran Anderson, who preceded him in death. Claude proudly served in the US Air Force, demonstrating courage and commitment. After retiring from the 20 years of service in the military he continued his service working for the US Postal Service, where he worked diligently for another 20 years. Mr. Anderson was an avid golfer often playing 3 or more times per week, and loved coaching his children and teaching his grandchildren the game he so loved. He was a proud member of the Springbrook Country Club in Niota, for more than 40 years, where he formed lasting friendships and created countless memories. A funeral service will be conducted at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 23, at Smith Funeral Home. Interment will be on Wednesday April 24 at 11 a.m. in Mt. Harmony Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home prior to the service. Smith Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Athens is in charge of arrangements.
- **Herman Tom Richesin**, age 81 of Athens, passed away on Friday, April 19. He was a native of Sweetwater, and a resident of McMinn County most of his life. He was a member of Idlewild Baptist Church, and served as a Military Police in the U.S. Army in Korea. He loved his daughters, Beulah's Chapel, gardening and farming, and later in his life gave his heart to Christ. Funeral services will be at 7 pm Tuesday, April 23 at Idlewild Baptist Church. The family will receive friends from 5-7 pm Tuesday before the service at the church. There will be a private family burial at a later date. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home will be in charge of the arrangements.
- **Mary Elizabeth (Liz) Burns** of Sweetwater formerly of West Palm Beach, FL passed away Thursday April 18, at Sweetwater Hospital. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is honored to assist her family with these arrangements.

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