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Ribbon Cutting for Ahlberg Audiology & Hearing Aid Services



A ribbon cutting was celebrated recently for new Athens Chamber of Commerce member, Ahlberg Audiology & Hearing Aid Services, located at 605 Congress Parkway South, Athens.

The Mission Statement on their website reads: "Ahlberg Audiology pledges to provide exceptional and professional services for the [Athens] community. We commit to meeting the distinctive need of each patient that enters our office and ensure a better quality of life through better hearing."

You may want to consider scheduling an appointment if you have difficulty hearing other people clearly, misunderstand what they say, or ask people to repeat themselves. If you have to listen to music or watch television loudly or have to concentrate hard to hear others, make an appointment to schedule a hearing test, by calling the Athens Office at (423) 212-9110

Chamber friends joining the celebration and pictured here are left to right: Paul Semenoff (Chamber Diplomat), Karen Sullivan (Athens Chamber), Pam Ahlberg, Donnie Ahlberg, Tiffany Ahlberg, Beverly Stevison, & Grace Young (Ahlberg Audiology &

Hearing Aid Services), Kathleen Chase, John White, Rhonda Wilson, Jim Laird.
 2nd row: Larea Graves (Chamber Diplomat), Brenda Carter, DL Carter, Lisa Javis, Kayleigh Heaton (Chuck Fleischmann Field Representative), McMinn County Mayor John Gentry, Joe Young, Melissa Young, Abigail Jones, Frances Hudson, Christa Tippit.
 Back row: Brandon Johnson, Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Mike Wahl, John Rodriguez (Chamber Board), Walt Bowman, Stephanie Devine, Hugh Willson (Chamber Diplomat), Hunter Starr (Chamber Diplomat), Doug Bailey (Chamber Diplomat), Peggy Elrod.

Athens VFW is Serving

Fish & Chips
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Friday, April 26th

Sweet Tea & Sunshine Family Festival
April 27 - 28
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McMinn County Living Heritage Museum

TRASH AND TREASURE 2024
 SALE Dates & Times: (Free & Open to the Public)
 April 25 (Thurs) 10AM - 5PM
 April 26 (Fri) 10AM - 5PM
 April 27 (Sat) 10AM - 3PM

TWO GREAT LOCATIONS:
Lower-Level Museum
 522 W. Madison Ave.
 Athens, TN 37303
 (Furniture, Lamps & Jewelry)
Museum Annex
 408 W. Washington
 Athens, TN 37303
 (All Other Goods)

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SATURDAY, MAY 4TH @ 11:00 AM
\$20 MEMBERS/\$25 NON-MEMBERS
 Sponsored by C. Scott & Muriel S. Mayfield Family Foundation, City of Athens, Tennessee Arts Commission & Hugh M. Willson Family Foundation


Hours:
 Tuesday - Friday: 10 AM - 5 PM
 Saturday: 10 AM - 1 PM
 Sunday - Monday: Closed


Admission:
 Adults: \$5.00
 Senior 60+: \$3.00
 Students: \$3.00

More Information
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MVA in Etowah



In the afternoon of Tuesday, April 23, around 3:30 pm on County Road 492 at County Road 490 in Etowah, the driver of this 2009 Ford Focus possibly suffered a medical condition which caused him to lose control of his vehicle leaving the roadway and slamming sideways into a tree.

The patient was transported to Starr Regional Etowah by AMR. Etowah Rural Fire, Englewood Rural Fire, and McMinn County Sheriff's Department all responded. THP Officer Ethan Jones investigated the accident. Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department

TN Receives Tobacco Master Settlement Payment

Tennessee Attorney General Jonathan Skrmetti announced that the state has received a payment of \$146.1 million from major tobacco companies as part of the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement. Since 1998, Tennessee has received a total of \$3.9 billion from this agreement. Skrmetti emphasized the importance of protecting Tennessee's youth from corporate exploitation, highlighting the state's ongoing efforts to hold Big Tobacco accountable for past misconduct. The landmark agreement addressed violations of consumer protection laws and deceptive marketing practices by tobacco companies, leading to increased healthcare costs for the state. Skrmetti's office oversees enforcement of the agreement and regulation of tobacco companies operating in Tennessee, ensuring compliance with legal obligations and public health measures. The annual payments from the settlement help cover healthcare expenses related to smoking-related illnesses, while also implementing measures to protect Tennesseans, including restrictions on youth marketing and tobacco-sponsored events. The Attorney General's Office also has a Tobacco Hotline for complaints about youth-marketing of tobacco and underage tobacco sales. That number is (615) 532-9480 or (800) 890-8366.

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April 27 is National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

The Athens Police Department announces the upcoming National Prescription Drug Take Back Day scheduled for Saturday, April 27, from 10 am to 2 pm at the Athens Police Department premises. This drive-thru event allows individuals to conveniently dispose of their medications without leaving their vehicles, with a police officer on hand to collect them. The City of Athens Police Department has teamed up with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to facilitate this initiative. The DEA and its collaborators will accept tablets, capsules, patches, and other solid forms of prescription drugs. This event, spanning over a decade, aims to help Americans safely dispose of old, unwanted, or expired medications, which can often lead to addiction. Take Back Day offers free and anonymous disposal at over 4,000 drop-off locations nationwide. Through collaboration with local law enforcement, Take Back Day has eliminated over 8,300 tons of medication from circulation since its inception. Please note that collection sites will not accept syringes, sharps, or illicit drugs. Liquid products, such as cough syrup, should remain sealed in their original container with tightly sealed caps.

Obituaries

◆ **Darin Eugene Sykes**, age 64, of Athens, passed away on Tuesday, March 23. He had worked in construction for many years. A memorial service will be announced at a later date. Family and friends are invited to sign the online registry at: www.zieglerfuneralhome.com. Ziegler Funeral Home has been entrusted with serving the family of Darin Eugene Sykes.

◆ **Dwight Richard Crisp**, age 65, of Athens, passed away on Wednesday, April 24. Further arrangements will be announced later. Ziegler Funeral Home has been entrusted with serving the family of Dwight Richard Crisp.

◆ The guest this week on "Hope From the Well" will be Women at the Well Student, Emily Threet. "Hope From the Well" is heard each Thursday morning at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5.



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WEATHER FORECAST

Thursday - Clouds mixed with sun. High 74.
Thurs. Night - Cloudy. Low 50.
Friday - Mostly Cloudy. Possible rain, High 72.
Friday Night - Cloudy & mild. Low 61.
Saturday - Cloudy. High 78.
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