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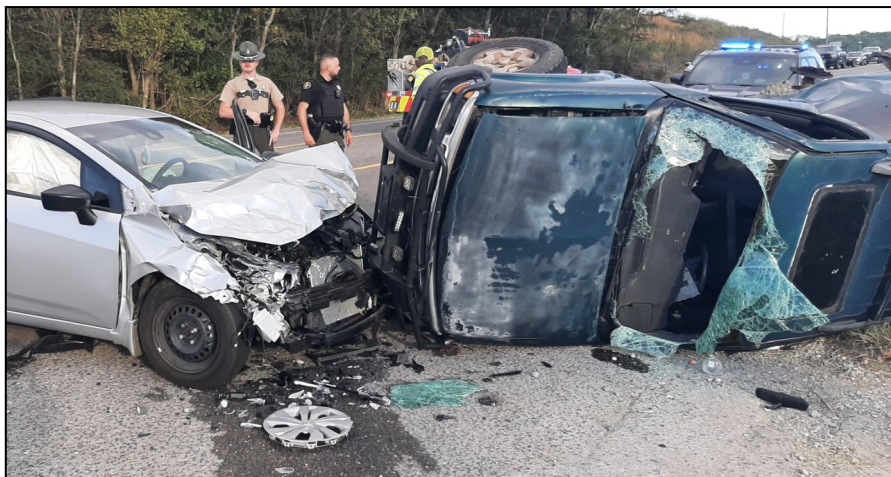
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Minor Injuries Reported After Two-Vehicle Crash on Highway 68



A two-vehicle crash Monday evening on Highway 68 at County Road 342 in McMinn County left both vehicles damaged but resulted in only minor injuries.

According to reports, the accident occurred around 5 p.m. when a 2025 Nissan Versa traveling south struck the passenger side of a 1995 Chevy Blazer that was turning onto County Road 342. The impact caused the Blazer to roll onto its side. Occupants of the vehicle kicked out

the windshield to escape and declined medical treatment from EMS at the scene.

Responding agencies included North McMinn Fire, Niota Rural Fire, AMR, and the Tennessee Highway Patrol. Stephen Capua with North McMinn Fire was in command of the scene, and Trooper Logan Ballew is investigating the crash.

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College Street Closure in Athens on 10/25

Community News You Can Use



The City of Athens Public Works Department announces the following street closure: The area to be affected is COLLEGE STREET from Jackson Street to Long Street. This closure will be from Thursday, October 23, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. until Saturday, October 25, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Motorists are advised to use extreme caution, watch for detour, and traffic control signage, pedestrians, and work crews. Motorists should allocate additional time for traffic delays when traveling in this area. The purpose of this closure is for the Tennessee Wesleyan University's Homecoming. For more information, please contact the Office of the Public Works Department at 423-744-2745.

- The McMinn County Election Commission will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday, October 21, at 5:00 p.m. in the conference room of the McMinn County Courthouse. The commission will conduct any election-related business that may legally come before the board. The meeting agenda will be posted on the bulletin board at the Election Office and on the Election Commission's website by Thursday, October 16.
- The AUB Budget and Finance Committee will meet on Thursday, October 16, at 11:30 a.m. The meeting will include a review of the Fiscal Year 2025 financial audit presented by HHM CPAs and September's financial statements from Superintendent of Accounting Michelle Millsaps. General Manager comments will also be shared. The public is welcome to attend.
- The McMinn County Amateur Radio Club will host its 2025 Chili Supper on Saturday, November 1, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Southern Events, 298 W. Madison Ave. in Athens. Dinner prices are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors, \$6 for kids, and free for first responders. All proceeds benefit the nonprofit club's operations, including the upkeep of ham radio towers and repeaters used by emergency personnel during critical situations. For more information, visit www.mcminnarc.com.

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Join us for a fun Math Magical STEAM night with the MUSE from Knoxville, ACS STEM department, and TWU Education Department.

Date: Tuesday, October 21st

Time: 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Location: Athens City Intermediate School

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October 16, 2025

9am-2pm

Market Park Pavillion in Athens

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Athens, Tennessee

McMinn County Arrest Reports

10-13-25

Chloe Green, 19 of Riceville, charged with manufacturing, selling, delivery, or possession of fentanyl, schedule II meth, and drug paraphernalia.

Brendan Santana, 29 of Niota, charged with manufacturing, selling, delivery, or possession of fentanyl. Schedule II meth, and drug paraphernalia.

Salina Kavit, 20 of Cleveland, charged with assault, Bond \$2,000

Harold Burris, 58 of Athens, charged with possession of meth for resale and drug paraphernalia.

Those accused are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Information gathered using Public Sources.

Obituaries

Danna Lynn Hardin, 46 of Madisonville, was called home to be with the Lord after a hard battle with fibrosis on Wednesday, October 8. She was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church in Madisonville. Those who were a part of her life are invited to her graveside service at Oak Grove Baptist Church on Friday, October 17th, at 5:00pm. Companion Funeral Home of Athens and the Cody family are honored to assist the family with these arrangements.

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

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