MCMINN TANK & PIPE
We offer same day & next day delivery!
- 1,000 gal Tank & Lowboys
- 1,000 & 1,500 gal Pump Tanks
- 2' & 3' Chamber Pipe
- 3" Schedule 40 Pipe
- Risers in Lids for Easy Pumping
423-507-9487
423-744-0121
If it's not listed, call us!

The Morning Fax®
Today's News. This Morning.
Okay to distribute (with attribution)
Click here to send your stories to wyxiradio@gmail.com

MCMINN TANK & PIPE
NOW OFFERING
- Air Conditioner Concrete Pads
- Water Trough Concrete Pads
- Concrete Feed & Water Troughs
- Distribution Boxes for Septic Pump Systems
423-507-9487
423-744-0121
If it's not listed, call us!

Red Cross Urges Thanksgiving Safety as Holiday Travel, Cooking Risks Increase

As millions of Americans prepare for Thanksgiving gatherings, the American Red Cross of Tennessee is reminding residents to take precautions in the kitchen, on the road and at home to help prevent holiday emergencies.

Thanksgiving is the nation's leading day for cooking fires, with unattended cooking remaining the most common cause. The holiday also marks one of the busiest travel periods of the year, with nearly 82 million people expected to travel to visit family and friends. Emergency rooms also typically see an increase in patients due to burns, cuts, vehicle crashes and other accidents.

The Red Cross encourages families to remain in the kitchen while using the stove or oven, keep flammable items away from heat sources and maintain a safe distance between cooking areas and children or pets. Those planning to fry a turkey should do so outdoors on a flat surface and never attempt to fry a frozen or partially frozen bird.

Travelers are encouraged to inspect their vehicles before departing, monitor weather conditions, carry an emergency kit and avoid distracted or impaired driving. The organization also recommends taking regular breaks during long trips and sharing travel plans with family or friends.

The Red Cross is also encouraging residents to learn CPR and basic first aid skills before emergencies occur. Training information is available at redcross.org/takeaclass.

Officials say preparation and awareness can help ensure a safer Thanksgiving holiday for families across Tennessee.

Tennessee is closing the gap in the 39th Annual Orange and Blue Blood Drive, with MEDIC increasing to 1,344 donations while Kentucky Blood Center stands at 1,691. Donors are encouraged to give today. The Athens Center is next to Ingles on Decatur Pike or find a donation location at medicblood.org.

Let Traci help with your 401K rollover.
Traci White
Athens Branch Manager
1314 Decatur Pike
Athens, TN 37303
423-634-8310
tvfcu
NCUA

SUNDAY LUNCH @ TWU
Holiday Hours Update
Nov 29: Closed
Dec 6: Last Sunday Lunch of 2026.
Sunday Lunch will resume on Jan 17, 2027!
Start your Sunday off right with our delicious and decadent Sunday Lunch on the TN Wesleyan Campus! Join us for a wide variety of lunch classics and new favorites to satisfy your cravings.
Served all you care to eat style!
@TWUDine

MEDIC
REGIONAL BLOOD CENTER
SKIP THE GIFT
SKIP YOUR MEDIC GIFT, AND MEDIC WILL DONATE $5 TO DOLLY PARTON'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.
Dolly Parton CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

GoComics



The Community Artists League are very proud to have CAL member Mona Bliscerd Banks exhibiting her amazing art in the Mayfield Family Art Gallery at the EG Fisher Public Library for the month of November.

WYXI RADIO FM 94.5 AM 1390
LIKE & FOLLOW
US ON FACEBOOK
CLICK HERE OR VISIT
FACEBOOK.COM/WYXIAM1390

"Dream Walker" Exhibition to Highlight Artist Rebecca Fowler

The Museum & Cultural Center at 5ive Points will host Dream Walker, an art exhibition featuring the work of local artist and educator Rebecca Fowler, on Nov. 20 from 5 to 6 p.m.

The free event will give community members an opportunity to view Fowler's collection of visionary oil paintings, which explore her artistic journey and unique approach to the medium. Museum officials said Fowler's work reflects a deep examination of paint and creativity that guides her life and artistic practice.

In addition to her work as a professional artist, Fowler serves as an art teacher and plays an active role in fostering creativity within the local community. She is affiliated with Hetzel Studios in Cleveland.

The exhibition will be held in the Community Lounge art gallery, a recently opened space inside the Museum & Cultural Center at 5ive Points. Museum organizers say the space is designed to bring people together through education, creativity, and cultural experiences. While admission is free, donations to support the museum are strongly appreciated.

Community News You Can Use

- The McMinn County Library Board will meet on Monday, November 23 at 6:00pm in the Community Room of E.G. Fisher Public Library.
- The Mid-East Tennessee Community Chorus will host its 4th Annual Messiah Sing Along on Sunday, Nov. 22 at 4 p.m. at Allen Memorial United Methodist Church. Guest conductor Sarah Pearson of the Cleveland Orchestra and Chorus of Tennessee will lead the event. Admission is free and open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own score or use one provided.
- The McMinn County Board of Commissioners will meet in Regular Session on November 30 at 6pm in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse.

We encourage you to e-mail us community events, church news, or other items of interest for possible use in the Morning Fax.

Any items you would like us to consider, e-mail: wyxiradio@gmail.com

STAY HEALTHY THIS SEASON

Get your Flu, COVID, Pneumonia, RSV, Boostrix (T-Dap), & Shingles vaccines at Madison Avenue Pharmacy!

Madison Avenue PHARMACY

1001 W. Madison Ave, Athens
423-746-2626

More Room for What *Matters.*

The Holidays come with a lot to look forward to, and sometimes a little extra flexibility makes all the difference.

HOLIDAY SKIP-A-PAYMENT

Ask about our Holiday Skip-A-Payment option and see if your loan qualifies.

People First BANK www.PFB.bank

*Terms and conditions may apply, call or visit any PFB branch for complete details. Member FDIC



Church News & Events

- **Celebrate Recovery** meets every **Tuesday** at 6:00pm at Woodward Ave. Church of God in Athens They also meet every **Thursday** at 6:00pm at Watts Bar Community Church in Decatur and Thursdays at **6:30pm** at **Spirit City Church North Etowah**.
- **St. Mary's Legacy Clinic** offers free mobile medical care for the uninsured. Anyone who is medically uninsured is eligible to receive care. ***St. Mary's Catholic Church (1291 E Madison Ave, Athens) is the McMinn County location and accepts patients every 3rd Thursday of the month.***
- Union McMinn Baptist Church will host its Thanksgiving Day "Come to the Table" gathering on Thursday, Nov. 26, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 316 County Road 316 in Niota. Guests are invited to enjoy a home-cooked meal, fellowship, worship and singing. The Leamon Family will provide special music. Everyone is welcome.
- Keith Memorial United Methodist Church invites the community to the 10th annual Turkey Trot 5K on Thanksgiving Day beginning at 8am. Register at the link **HERE**
- Mt. Verd Baptist Church, 252 County Road 249, Athens, will host a Thanksgiving drive-thru meal on Nov. 25 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Meals will be available on a first-come, first-served basis without leaving your vehicle.
- The Greater Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church's annual Pre-Thanksgiving Bake Sale will be on Tuesday, November 24, 2026 (The Tuesday before Thanksgiving) beginning at 4:00 p.m. There will be delicious pound cakes, sweet potato pies, sugar cookies and several delicious new baked items. This is a project for the church building fund. Due to the construction of the new church building, the bake sale will be held at Cooke Ministries Center at 714 Walter Street in Athens; the same location as Grace and Mercy Ministries.

More Church News & Events on Page 4







Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens
"59 Years of Dedicated Service"
Jerry E. Smith, LFD, 1010 S. White Street • Athens

A Complete Funeral Home, Chapel & Visitation Rooms

A caring staff of professional, licensed directors • Only the best quality funeral supplies • Made in the U.S.A. • Any type of service you desire • We serve all faiths. • We offer pre-planning service • Competitive pricing • Locally owned & operated.

McMinn County Arrest Report

November 18, 2026

Buffy Cook, 51, of Ringgold, Georgia, charged with failure to appear for possession of 300 grams of meth.

Dustin Parks, 41, of Harriman, charged with failure to appear for driving on a suspended license. Bond $4,000.

Charles Williams, 60, of Athens, charged with criminal trespassing.

Robert Miller, 52, of Dayton, charged with theft of property under $1,000. Bond $2,000.

Leandra Starrett, 45, of Etowah, charged with violation of probation for driving on a revoked license. Bond $745.

Taylor Garrett, 26, of Athens, charged with DUI, and drug paraphernalia.

Joseph Anthony, 51, of Etowah, charged with violation of probation for possession of fentanyl. Bond $2,300.

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

Church News & Events

- **Onward Quartet** will be singing at Lakeview Baptist Church on Sunday, Nov. 29, at 10:45 a.m. A lunch will follow the service. The church is located at 183 County Road 126 in Athens, beside Dynasty Spas. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- Unconditional Love Ministry invites the community to a Free Thanksgiving Dinner at Hillcrest Church (740 N Hwy 411, Etowah) from 11am—2:30pm on Wednesday, November 25. For more info, call or text 865-335-1870
- Lane's Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church (904 County Road 284, Niota) invites the community to their Thanksgiving celebration from 11am to 3pm on Saturday, November 21.



