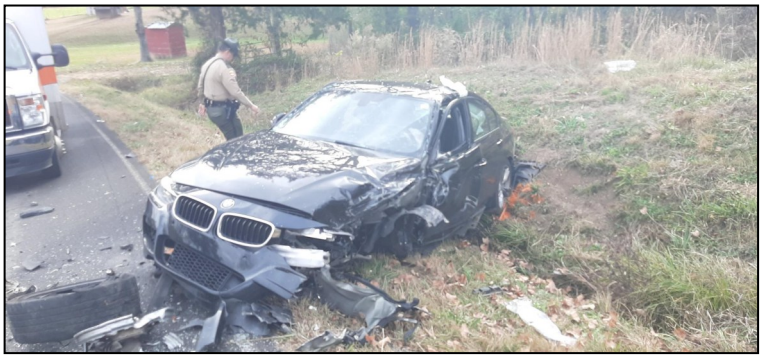
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Two Drivers Injured in Head-On Crash on County Road 298





Two drivers were injured Wednesday afternoon in a head-on collision on County Road 298 near the 100 block.

The crash occurred around 2 p.m. and involved a late-model Nissan SUV and a BMW sedan. According to emergency responders, both drivers became trapped inside their vehicles and had to be extricated by firefighters.

After being freed from the wreckage, both drivers were transported by ambulance to a Knoxville hospital for treatment.

Responding agencies included AMR Ambulance Service, North McMinn Fire Department, Niota Fire Department and Athens Rural Fire Department. The cause of the crash remains under investigation by Tennessee Highway Patrol Trooper Rodney Best.

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State Fund Opens Flood Recovery Assistance in Polk County

Polk County residents, businesses and local governments impacted by the Nov. 5 flash flooding can now apply for assistance through Tennessee's Governor's Response and Recovery Fund.

The program provides help with flood-related expenses, including debris removal and cleanup costs for residents, while small businesses may qualify for $10,000 stabilization grants and other recovery assistance. Local governments can also seek aid for debris removal and public infrastructure repairs.

Commissioner Patrick Sheehan said the fund is designed to help communities recover when federal assistance is unavailable or delayed.

Applications for disaster survivor assistance and local government aid are open through Dec. 31. Small business stabilization grant applications will be accepted through Dec. 4, with additional business assistance applications opening Dec. 7.

Officials noted the program generally does not cover expenses already paid by insurance or other assistance programs. Additional disaster loan programs are also available through the U.S. Small Business Administration for Polk, McMinn, Monroe and Bradley counties.

Community News You Can Use

- The Airport Committee meeting will be held on Monday, November 30 at 5:30 pm in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse. They will meet to review the airport management lease agreement.
- Members of the **Athens Federal Foundation** recently met and announced the grant recipients of their annual contributions. The **28 GRANT RECIPIENTS** were gifted a combined $318,000. Click or tap links for more information.

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







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.***
- **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 Spa. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- **Whosoever Ministries** will be singing at Double Springs Baptist Church, Sunday, November 29 at 11am.
- The next Christian Men's Prayer Breakfast sponsored by New Hope Methodist Church will occur on Thursday, December 3 at 8 a.m. at Maddi Mae's Cafe in downtown Athens. This prayer breakfast is open to all men of Christian faith and those men who want to establish a relationship with Jesus. Please contact Marcus Guinn (marcusguinn@gmail.com or 423-507-7769) for more information.
- A free Athens Community Christmas concert featuring Joseph Habedank will be held on December 3rd at Woodward Church of God, 507 Woodward Ave. Doors open at 6 p.m. with the concert beginning at 7 p.m.

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Keith Memorial UMC Turkey Trot Winners

A drizzly morning didn't stop over 250 racers from participating in the 10th Turkey Trot 5K at Keith Memorial UMC! A record 297 pre-registered or registered the morning of the race.

Winners were, in 13 and under, Juliet Couch (also the overall female winner with a time of 23:03) and Jones Cantrell. In the 14-19 age category, winners were Abby Venz and Brady Carroll (also the overall male winner with a time of 18:57). 20-29 age group: Lyndy Arsenault and Zach Blair. 30-39 age group: Arielle Halsall and Matthew Williams. 40-49 age group: Ashley Jenkins and Jarrett Brown. 50+ age group: Nancy Jones and Mike Taylor.

The Jewell Circle women's group donates all of the race proceeds, helping fund the church's annual community Thanksgiving meal which feeds over 600 people, as well as to numerous local non-profit organizations, including Friendly Fellows. Since 2016, the Jewell Circle has donated over $30,000 to help those in need.

Many thanks to faithful sponsors, who offset the costs of the race: Renee Nicolo of Hometown Photography; Mayor Jordan Curtis for serving as the Turkey of Turkey Trot; Starr Regional and Mayfield Dairy for healthy refreshments and goody bags; Deb Goins and Athens Public Works;

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Photo Credit: Renee Nicolo. Winners are in no particular order. Arielle Halsall is not pictured. Mayor Jordan Curtis is the Turkey of the Trot!





McMinn County Arrest Report

November 24, 2026

Brock Anderson, 36, of Niota, charged with theft of property 2,500 to 10,000. Bond $5,000.

Dominick Brown, 36, of Philadelphia, charged with schedule 2 meth, drug paraphernalia, driving on a revoked license, and unlawful carry or possession of a weapon by a felon.

Shirley South, 47, of Athens, charged with failure to appear for paraphernalia, and violation of probation for shoplifting.

Dorothy Meharry, 43, of Sweetwater, charged with DUI, and driving on a suspended license. Bond $2,000.

Rick Khounasknarath, of Athens, charged with failure to appear for driving on a revoked license, failure to have insurance, and driving on a revoked license.

November 25, 2026

Debbie Dillon, 49, of Athens, charged with failure to appear for schedule 2 meth.

Maurice Flowers, 46, of Athens, charged with receiving or concealing stolen property. Bond $1,500.

Scott Smith, 62, of Kingston, charged with failure to appear for schedule 6.

Stephanie Daniels, 50, of Sweetwater, charged with driving on a suspended license, driving without due care, and failure to have insurance.

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

Obituaries

Ezra John Kirby, 76, of Athens, passed away on Wednesday, November 18, at Erlanger Medical Center. Mr. Kirby served his country in the US Army. There will be no formal services for Ezra Kirby. **Good Samaritan Funeral Home** is in charge of arrangements.

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