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Tuesday, February 6, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

STATE & LOCAL NEWS

◆ MORE CHAMBER AWARD WINNERS

The annual awards were presented last Friday night at the annual Athens Area Chamber of Commerce meeting. The Mother of the Year Award went to Brenda Sewell. She is shown below with the award being presented by Paul Willson. She is the wife of Luke Sewell, mother of two sons and a former McMinn High School teacher. The Business Woman of the Year Award was given to Pam Breedwell, pictured on the left with presenter Teanna McDaniel. Pam works for Camellia Health Care.

(Photos by Rob Preston)



National & World News

◆ Homicide detectives want to talk with Robert Wagner, the then-husband of Oscar-nominated actress Natalie Wood, who died mysteriously in 1981. Homicide Bureau Lt. John Corina of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department said, "he's a person of interest because he was the last person with her before she went in the water."

◆ Amtrak President Richard Anderson, says that the truck driver involved in the train accident on January 31st in Virginia hit the train by "trying to drive around a cross-block." The Amtrak train was carrying some Republican members of Congress and their families when it smashed into a garbage truck on the tracks in Crozet, Virginia. One person riding in the truck was killed, and several people were injured.

◆ An undocumented immigrant, who had been deported twice, was allegedly driving drunk and is suspected of causing the car crash on Sunday that killed two people, including Indianapolis Colts player Edwin Jackson who was 26 years old.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:


✓ The McMinn County Board of Education holds its monthly meeting this Thursday, Feb. 8th, at 5:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

✓ The McMinn Regional Humane Society and Classic Lanes are teaming up for a Pancake Breakfast fundraiser this Saturday from 7 to 10 a.m. at Applebee's in Athens. After breakfast, you can bowl two games including shoes from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at Classic Lanes.




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Tuesday - 40% rain. High 51.
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Obituaries

- ♦ **Virginia Faye Lee**, age 61, of Decatur, died Friday at Memorial Hospital in Chattanooga. Graveside services were held Sunday at Walnut Grove Cemetery. Bowers Funeral Home was in charge.
- ♦ **Ross Ula Shelton**, age 55, of Cleveland, died last Friday. He was a native of Athens and a former employee of Con Agra, Shelton's Poultry, and Jackson Mfg. Graveside services will be at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday in Buttram Cemetery, with visitation from 2 to 4 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Norman H. Krauss**, age 84, of Athens, died Saturday. Arrangements will be announced by Companion Funeral Home.
- ♦ **James Stokes**, age 76, of Decatur, died Monday at Memorial Hospital in Chattanooga. Arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Billy Charles Pritchard**, age 72, of Etowah, died Thursday at UT Medical Center. In honor of Billy's wishes, there will be no formal services at this time. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

SEN. BELL HELPS TO FEED THE HUNGRY

State Senator Mike Bell of Riceville has made a donation to Tennessee Wildlife Federation's Hunters for the Hungry Program to ensure that healthy, protein-rich venison reaches needy families in McMinn, Meigs, Monroe, Bradley and Polk counties. One deer provides as many as 168 meals of venison. Last year, community members in Sen. Bell's district donated enough venison for 7,356 meals. The venison is processed free or at a reduced rate and then provided to area food banks. Sen. Bell is an avid hunter.



More Chamber Winners

The Teacher of the Year is Lori Farley, a media specialist at North City School. TWU President Dr. Harley Knowles presented the award.



The Farmer of the Year is Lester Wheeler.



Wade Shultz on the left presenting the award as his wife, Ginger Wheeler looks on.

The Chamber Diplomat of the Year is Kim York, and the recipient of the Chairman's Award is Athens Fire Chief Jim Dyer.



(Photos by Rob Preston)

TODAY IN HISTORY—FEBRUARY 6th

- 1756** - Aaron Burr was born on this date. He's best known as the man who killed Alexander Hamilton in a duel in 1804. At the time, Burr was Vice President of the U.S.
- 1865** - Robert E. Lee was named Commander-In-Chief of the Armies of the Confederacy.
- 1895** - Baseball great Babe Ruth was born in Baltimore. He played outfield for the New York Yankees and hit 714 career home runs.
- 1932** - Dog sled racing happened for the first time in Olympic competition. The demonstration program was presented by the United States and Canada. "Mush! Mush! Onward you huskies!"
- 1911** - Former President Ronald Reagan was born in Tampico, Illinois.
- 1950** - The late singer Natalie Cole was born. She was the daughter of the late singer Nat King Cole.
- 1952** - Britain's King George VI died at age 56, and his daughter was proclaimed Queen Elizabeth II. The new queen had been traveling in Kenya with her husband, Prince Philip, and immediately returned home.
- 1967** - Muhammad Ali retained his world heavyweight title and won the WBA heavyweight title with a 15-round decision over Ernest Terrell in the Houston Astrodome.
- 1968** - The Xth Winter Olympic games opened in Grenoble, France. Some 18,000 people participated in the opening ceremonies as the games were dedicated by General Charles de Gaulle.
- 2000** - First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton launched her successful candidacy for the U.S. Senate.
- 2001** - Ariel Sharon was elected Israeli prime minister in a landslide over Ehud Barak.