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Tuesday, March 12, 2019

Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

◆ A SALUTE TO DR. JOHN FORGETY

Members of the community gathered at First Baptist Church of Etowah this past Sunday afternoon for a Thank You Reception for Dr. John Forgety. The purpose was to thank Dr. Forgety for his years of service to the community as an educator, coach, soldier, and state representative. As a member of the National Guard, Forgety was deployed to Afghanistan. He has also been a teacher and coach at McMinn County High School and served several years as the McMinn County School Director. The photos below from Gene Choate show, left, McMinn County Mayor John Gentry reading a proclamation from the county to Dr. Forgety and his wife Faye. The photo on the right shows Senator Mike Bell, Rev. Wayne Williams, Dr. Forgety, and Ray Luck, former Director of Missions for the McMinn-Meigs Baptist Association.



Community News You Can Use

- ✓ If you would like to help the tornado victims in Alabama, a church in Charleston is currently collection relief supplies and monetary donations. Pastor Mitchell Wright from Lighthouse Church International says they need personal hygiene items, non-perishable food, bottled water, tarps, and toys. You can drop off donations today and Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. They will take a truck down to Lee County, Alabama, next Sunday along with a crew of 8 people. The church is located at 8593 Hiwassee Street, NW, in Charleston. The phone number is (423) 665-3015.
- ✓ The 4-H Junior Camp sign-up for students in grades 4-through-6 in McMinn County and the Athens City Schools will be held this Friday, March 15th, at the UT Extension Office, 107 W. College Street, Athens. Sign up will begin at 9 a.m. and spots are limited to 43. Junior Camp is an overnight camp and is held at the Clyde Austin 4-H Center in Greeneville. The cost is \$340 per camper, but on sign up day only a \$100 discount will be given. For more information, call 745-2852.
- ✓ The Pilot Club of Athens is hosting a fundraiser at the McMinn Living Heritage Museum this coming Saturday, March 16th. It will be Game Day. You are invited to bring some friends and play your favorite games. Brunch will be served at 10:30 a.m. and games begin at 11 a.m. Tickets are \$15.
- ✓ The McMinn County Board of Education will meet in regular session this Thursday, March 14th, at 5:30 p.m.



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Saturday, March 16, 2019
8:30 a.m.

Eureka Trail
1400 E. Madison Avenue
Athens, Tennessee

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Wanda Lee Cate**, age 83, of McMinn County, died last Friday. A graveside service will be held Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. in Sunrise Cemetery. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.
- ♦ **Michael David "Mikey" McKheen**, age 63, of Ten Mile died March 6th at Erlanger. Memorial services will be held at West End Baptist Church in Athens on Saturday at 1 p.m. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.
- ♦ **Joel Wesley Coleman**, age 82, of Etowah, died Sunday. A private graveside service will be held at Delano Cemetery at a later date. Visitation will be Wednesday from 6 to 7 p.m. at Bordwine Funeral Home.

MORE FEBRUARY HOME SALES IN McMINN

In Monday's Morning Fax, we listed some of the home sales in McMinn County in February. Here are more of those:

1206 Georgia Ave	Athens	\$130,000
393 County Road 260	Niota	\$130,000
720 Brookhill Ave	Etowah	\$137,000
839 Highway 163	Calhoun	\$140,000
128 Guthrie St	Athens	\$145,000
211 County Road 659	Athens	\$149,000
132 Guthrie St	Athens	\$149,900
113 Shawnee Tr	Athens	\$149,900
240 County Road 703	Athens	\$157,000
660 County Road 225	Niota	\$159,900

Data Provided By Tennessee Valley Appraisal Services
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The Power of Lightning

Power for 3113 customers served by AUB's Englewood substation was knocked out at 6:30 p.m. Sunday. Residents heard a loud bang when a lightning arrestor in the substation exploded. All three power distribution circuits were knocked off line immediately. AUB's Wayne Scarbrough says the damage was easy to find, with porcelain shrapnel littering the substation grounds. (See photo below) Multiple crews quickly got to work, cleared all of the issues, and restored power at 7:50 p.m. Scarbrough says the lightning arrestor in question may have been damaged by a lightning strike during recent electrical storms. He says sometimes a damaged arrestor can continue to operate for some time with hair-line cracks that allow moisture to collect until ambient conditions trigger a reaction of moisture flashing to steam in an explosion of porcelain.



TODAY IN HISTORY—MARCH 12th

1826 – Hymn writer Robert Lowry was born. He composed such familiar hymns as "Shall We Gather At The River," "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus," and "Up From the Grave He Arose."

1912 - The first Girl Scout troop was organized in Savannah, Georgia, by Mrs. Juliette Gordon Low.

1933 - President Franklin D. Roosevelt made the first of his Sunday evening "Fireside Chats" to the American people, speaking by radio from the White House.

1946 - Singer and Broadway entertainer Lisa Minelli was born. She was Judy Garland's daughter.

1948 - Pop singer James Taylor was born. His hit records include "You've Got A Friend" and "Fire and Rain."

1951 - The cartoon "Dennis the Menace" by Hank Ketcham made its syndicated debut in 16 newspapers.

1987 - The musical "Les Miserables" opened on Broadway.

1993 - Janet Reno was sworn in as the nation's first female attorney general.

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