

Leadership McMinn Class Forming

Applications for Leadership McMinn's Class of 2021-2022 are currently available and will be accepted through Friday, August 20th. The program, sponsored by the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce, is a way to learn about our community and make personal and business contacts. More than 600 people have graduated from Leadership McMinn since the program's inception in 1988. The class will start in September meeting one day a month for 9 months. Each month, the Leadership McMinn class meets to explore different aspects of leadership and various challenges facing the community. To apply contact the chamber at 423.745.0334 or by email to: Julie@athenschamber.org You can also get applications at the Chamber's office at 13 N Jackson St.

TN Bathroom Bill Gets "Flushed"

A federal judge has issued a preliminary injunction that prevents the state from enforcing the new first-in-the-nation law that requires businesses to post special warning signs if they allow transgender people to use multi-person restrooms of either biological sex. Judge Aleta Trauger agreed with businesses that sued the state saying the law, which took effect July 1st, violated the 1st Amendment. Trauger is a Clinton appointee.

Stolen Truck Set on Fire

A 1999 Ford Chassis Cab was reported stolen and was found engulfed in flames on County Road 443 near Athens last

Thursday afternoon. The cab and engine were a total loss. Athens Rural Fire and Englewood Rural Fire Departments responded along with McMinn County Sher-



iff's Deputy Amber Cook who investigated the scene. Photo by Lynn Ingram, with Englewood Rural Fire Department.





*APY= annual percentage yield. Rates subject to change after account opening. APYs are accurate as of 06/07/2021. To earn Bonus Rate, each month the account must be enrolled in eStatements and post and clear at least 15 debit transactions of \$1 or more. If all qualifications are met during the statement cycle, a bonus rate of 2.01% APY on balances of up to \$20,000 and .20% APY on balances over \$20,000 will be credited. If bonus qualifications are not met during the statement cycle, a rate of .05% APY of the balance will be credited. Interest earnings are based on daily collected balances and are credited monthly to the account. Qualifying transactions include point of sale or online purchases using the SouthEast Bank debit card. ATM and cash-only transactions do not qualify towards the minimum debit card transaction amount. A paper statement fee will be waived with a monthly average balance of \$1,200. This is a variable rate tiered account. Fees may reduce earnings. Some Fees and restrictions apply. Visit southeastbank.com or ask an associate for complete details.

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Obituaries

• Matthew Chancey Trueblood, age 26, of Riceville died Thursday at Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. A Celebration of Life will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday (7-17) at Athens Free Saint True Holiness Church on Slack Road, with visitation at 12 noon. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

• Thomas Michael Grayson, age 75, a long time resident of McMinn County, died Friday. A memorial service will be held Monday at 7 p.m. at Smith Funeral and Cremation Services of Athens with visitation from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

• Freddie Allen Massingale, age 73, of Athens, died Friday at his residence. A graveside service will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the Wesleyanna Cemetery. Good Samaritan Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of the arrangements.

Obituaries - continued

• **Robin Spain Long,** age 59, of Athens, died Saturday at the University of Tennessee Medical Center in Knoxville. She was the owner of Dudes and Dolls Haircare and also worked at Cowlicks Salon and Boutique. A celebration of Robin's Life will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation beginning at 12 noon.

COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Friday 7-09

Tennessee:	869,752 cases up 561. 12,596 deaths up 4.		
<u>COUNTY</u>	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	6,675 up 2	7	104
Meigs	1,432 up 1	3	24
Monroe	5,994 up 3	13	97
Polk	2,115	4	24
Bradley	15,343 up 4	36	155
Rhea	4,393 up 1	8	82

LISTENING REMINDER: Join us for Main Street Moments on Tuesday. The guest will be Alex Schultz, the owner of a new children's boutique on Washington Avenue. The program will be heard at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday on WYXI Radio: AM-1390, FM-94.5 & <u>ONLINE</u>

