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Today's News... This Morning

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United Way of McMinn & Meigs County
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Thursday, October 06, 2022

Athens, Tennessee

Community News You Can Use

✓ Starr Regional Medical Center is providing flu shots as a fundraiser for the annual Friendly Fellow Club's Christmas Basket Program on Friday, October 14th from 7 a.m. until 12 p.m. Flu shots will be given in the main lobby of Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. Flu shots are free; but donations are encouraged. All proceeds from the event benefit the Friendly Fellow Club which provides nearly 500 food baskets to those in need each year. Flu shots are available to anyone age 18 and older; parents are encouraged to take their children to a pediatrician to receive a flu shot. If you are unable to walk into the lobby, a nurse will be available to administer the shot to you in your vehicle. Simply have a family member enter the lobby and request a nurse to come to the vehicle.

✓ The Active Aging Expo, the area's largest senior expo, is coming back to McMinn County after a four-year absence. The event is sponsored by the McMinn Senior Activity Center, and will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, November 17th at the McMinn Senior Activity Center, located at 205 McMinn Avenue in Athens. Admission is free, and seniors throughout McMinn County and surrounding areas are invited to attend. The Annual Senior Expo expects to draw seniors, family members and caregivers seeking ways to keep seniors healthy, active and involved in our community. Attendees are invited to visit all 32 vendor booths to have the opportunity to get answers to their questions about everything from health, wellness, retirement, advocacy, financial and legal assistance, volunteer opportunities, travel and leisure, long-term care and more. Several vendors will be offering free health screenings as well. There's something for everyone! If you are interested in being a vendor or sponsor please call 423-745-6830 for more information or register by visiting www.mcminnseniors.com.

Community News (Continued)

✓ Pumpkintown is this Saturday, October 8th from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in downtown Athens. There will be all day entertainment, including the Scott Crisp Memorial PowWow, the 20th Anniversary Brick Dedication, the Mutt Strutt & Adopt-a-Thon, historical walking tours, pumpkin painting with the Arts Center, pumpkin plinko, the USS Charles R. Ware Reunion, plus the Kanusita GC Flower Show. There will be over 200 plus food, craft, and info vendors. In the evening beginning at 7 p.m. the season finale of the Sounds of Summer concert featuring the Dexter Thomas Band will be at the Market Park Pavilion. The Sounds of Summer concerts are free and attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair.

✓ CASA Corridor of East Tennessee is hosting a 5K run/walk on Saturday, October 8th at 7:30 a.m. at 112 E. Washington Avenue.

✓ Tennessee Wesleyan University Homecoming is October 7th through October 9th with various activities throughout the weekend.

✓ Citizens National Bank (CNB) in Athens presented the Athens City Schools (PreK-8th) with 312 pairs of socks. This will stock their clothes closet for the winter. Julie Lofland, Athens City Schools Family Engagement Coordinator, said that many families are unable to afford socks. CNB thanks their customers, employees, and the Athens Sock Shop for their very generous donations.

✓ The Athens Chamber and 3 Rivers Radio Group will host a forum for the Athens City Council Candidates at the Ascension Life Church to-night, October 6th at 6 p.m. A simulcast will air on FM 104.9.

✓ The E. G. Fisher Library will feature the Hotel Transylvania Movie this evening, October 6th at 4:30 p.m.

McMinn County Living Heritage Museum
Upcoming Events

THREE PROGRAMS WILL PRESENT STARTLING INFORMATION ABOUT TWO EARLY ATHENS BOMBERS AND WHAT HISTORICAL SERVICES WERE PROVIDED ABOUT THEM

Friday, October 28 @ 5:30 - 7:00 PM - A NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM
Come dressed up in your favorite costume and trick or treat your way through the museum!!!

Saturday, October 29 @ 11:00 - 1:00 - Basket Making with Cindy Mihal
Cindy will bring all the materials and teach you how to make a ragnin basket.
\$25 for members/\$30 for nonmembers. Call to register. Deadline: October 25

Saturday, November 5 @ 10:00 - 4:00 - ART UNDERFOOT CHALK ART COMPETITION
Categories: Youth (6-12), Teen (13-17), Adult (18+) - Call to register!

Programs sponsored by: C. Scott & Muriel S. Myrick Family Foundation, Tennessee Arts Commission, Hugh McWilliam Family Foundation, and City of Athens

Hours:
Tuesday - Friday: 10 AM - 5 PM
Saturday: 10 AM - 4 PM
Sunday - Monday: Closed

Admission:
Adults: \$5.00
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Obituaries

♦ **Hazel Lee Wilson Womac**, age 85, passed away Tuesday, October 4th at her residence. She was born in Bigfoot, TN. A funeral service will be at 2 p.m., Friday, October 7th at Smith Funeral Home with visitation from 12 to 2 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will follow in McMinn Memory Gardens. Smith Funeral and Cremation Services of Athens is in charge.

WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: After two days of gains, the market moved lower. Growth-style investments underperformed value-style investments. Bond yields moved higher while prices fell. Oil was up sharply to over \$87/barrel. Asian shares were higher while European shares were lower. At the closing bell, The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 42.45 to 30,273.87. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 7.65 to 3,783.28, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 27.77 to 11,148.64.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE: It's Homecoming Week and The McMinn County Cherokees will play their homecoming game tonight against Sweetwater. Game time is 7:30. The McMinn Central Chargers will play Loudon Friday night at 7:30 for their homecoming game.

Today in History

TODAY IN HISTORY - October 6th

1846 - Inventor George Westinghouse was born. He invented such things as the gas meter and air brakes for railroad trains.

1914 - Norwegian adventurer Thor Heyerdahl was born. He became famous for traveling from Peru to eastern Polynesia in a balsawood raft.

1927 - "The Jazz Singer" starring Al Jolson opened in New York City. It was the first full-length talking motion picture. However, there were only 291 spoken words in the film.

1966 - The Baltimore Oriole's Jim Palmer became the youngest pitcher at age 20 years, 11 months to win a complete-game, World-Series shut-out. He defeated Sandy Koufax and the Dodgers in Game Two of the 1966 Series.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE

Weekly Summary: 09/25/22 - 10/01/22

There were 865 cases (per day) and 16 deaths (per day) last week

Tennessee: 2,341,354 Total Cases 27,872 Total Deaths

COUNTY	CASES	DEATHS
McMinn	18,919	276
Meigs	3,911	62
Monroe	16,836	254
Polk	5,312	87
Bradley	37,172	434
Rhea	11,161	166

Covid-19 update information from the Tennessee Department of Health is updated on Saturday and posted to their website each Wednesday.

STARR REGIONAL AUXILIARY RUMMAGE SALE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6 & 7
8 AM to 4 PM

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