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Athens, Tennessee

Apples For Teachers

• Ms. Idol, 2nd grade teacher at Ingleside Elementary, receives an appreciation apple from Optimist Club representatives Elaine and Richard Newman. Optimist Club members hand delivered an apple to all educators in McMinn/Athens schools. In the photo below (L-R): Ms Idol, Richard Newman and Elaine Newman.



Community News You Can Use

✓ The McMinn Co. Historical Society and Archives is meeting on Sunday March 5th at 2 pm in the Blue Room of the courthouse. Dr. Tyler Forrest, President of TWU, will be our guest speaker, and his presentation will be on Dr. James L. Robb, former president of Wesleyan.

✓ **REMINDER:** McMinn County Trustee, Phil Tuggle would like to remind taxpayers, that TODAY, February 28th is the last day to pay property taxes before interest and penalty must be added. Property taxes can also be paid online at:

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NEW NEWS REPORTS START TODAY

Beginning in today's Edition of the Morning Fax, veteran news reporter, Wes Hall, will be covering arrest reports and incident reports from the McMinn County Justice Center.

Scroll down to page 3 to see these reports.

LISTENING REMINDER: This week's guest on Main Street Moments will be Page Zabo and Kathy Dougherty with United Way. The broadcast will be aired at 8:15 a.m. TODAY on WYXI RADIO: AM-1390 and FM-94.5.



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Wednesday: Cloudy & warm.
Possible t'storms in pm. High 76.

Thursday: Cloudy & mild.
High 70.

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

◆ **Albert Jerome Lunsford**, age 93, of Athens, passed away Sunday, February 26th at his residence. He was a native and lifelong resident of McMinn County. He served in the United States Army and drove an ambulance during the Korean War. He worked for H.T. Hackney for many years. A graveside service will be at 11 am, Thursday March 2nd at Niota Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 pm Wednesday, March 1st at Ziegler Funeral Home.

◆ **Betty Ann Gilliam Brady**, age 81 of Spring City and Grandview Tennessee passed away Sunday, February 26th. She will return to ash by cremation and there will be no funeral services; she just wanted her life to be celebrated and remembered by those who loved her in life. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

◆ **Zamira Anai Sanchez**, age 16, of Athens, passed away Saturday, February 25th at Tennova Healthcare in Cleveland. She was a native of Athens and a lifelong resident of McMinn County. She attended McMinn County High School. A graveside service will be at 11 am Friday, March 3rd at Hammonds Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 pm Thursday, March 2nd at Ziegler Funeral Home.

◆ **Joy Locke**, age 51, of Etowah passed away Thursday, February 23rd. A memorial service will be at 2 pm Saturday, March 4th at First Baptist Church of Etowah. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.

◆ **Lonzo M. Lamb**, age 90 of Athens, passed away Sunday, February 26th at his residence. He was a native of Meigs County and a resident of McMinn County most of his life. He retired after 44 years of service with Athens Utilities Board Gas Division as a Superintendent. He was a former president of the Tennessee Gas Association and was on the Board of the American Gas Association. Mr. Lamb served on many Committees of American Public Gas Association including being selected to receive the American Public Gas Association Personal Achievement Award. He wrote and developed the Division of Gas Craftworkers Apprentice Program in 1988. A funeral service will be at 2 pm Friday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home. Entombment will follow in McMinn Memory Gardens. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Obituaries Continued

◆ **Ransom J. Hudson**, age 85 of Riceville, passed away Sunday, February 26th at an area hospital. He was born in Orlo Vista, FL. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, and retired from Lockheed Martin formerly known as Martin Marietta after 30 years of service and was a former employee of Riceville Elementary School where he was lovingly known as "Mr. Ran." A funeral service will be at 11 am Saturday, March 4th at Eastanallee Baptist Church. Interment will follow in Eastanallee Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 pm Friday, March 3rd at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home of Athens.

◆ **Mary Hulene Campbell Parris**, age 88, passed away Saturday, February 25th at Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. She was a native and lifelong resident of McMinn County. She retired from Crescent Hosiery Mill. There will be no services at this time. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT

Markets were up today. Bond yields were lower but still remain elevated. The 10-year treasury traded around 3.92%. At the closing bell, the Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 72.17 to 32,889.09. The S&P 500 was up 12.20 to 3,982.24, and The Nasdaq Composite was up 72.04 to 11,466.98.

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McMinn Incident Reports

• On Sunday, Ms. Brittany Oboyle reportedly told Sgt. Nathaniel Stiles of McMinn County Sheriff's Office that her boyfriend Joshua Storm Rahn had picked her up in Bradley County and drove her to Hiwassee Baptist Church on County Road 956, in McMinn County. She said he told her to go pray while he timed her before he killed her. She said that while they walked he pointed a gun at the back of her head and told her to get on her knees and read texts she had sent to his phone. After she kept turning around, Oboyle pointed the gun at himself, then turned it away and fired, she told authorities. Eventually, Rahn drove her home, she added. Domestic Violence Assault and Aggravated Felony assault charges are pending against Joshua Rahn.

• Amberly Jackson, 43, of County Rd 560, Athens, reported Monday morning that a 9mm Taurus handgun, a plasma cutter, Dewalt tools and a Snap-on diagnostic scanner were stolen from a shop and her car sometime after her husband left for work Monday morning. The loss was valued at about \$9,500. McMinn County Deputy Brian Greenlaw is investigating.

• McMinn County Sheriff's Office investigated the vandalism of a white GMC truck on County Road 607. About noon Sunday, James Wiggins reported to McMinn County Deputy Doug Benton that two tires were flattened and he suspected something had been poured into the fuel tank. Damage was estimated to be about \$1,560.00.

TODAY IN HISTORY - FEBRUARY 28th

1844 - The newly-built U.S.S. Princeton exploded while cruising on the Potomac River with top government officials on board. When the ship fired one of its guns to demonstrate the latest in naval armament, the gun exploded, killing the U.S. Secretary of State and Secretary of Navy and several other people. President John Tyler narrowly escaped death.

1849 - The first shipload of gold-seekers arrived in San Francisco after a five-month journey from New York City.

1940 - Race car driver Mario Andretti was born in Italy. He won the Indianapolis 500 race in 1969.

1940 - Singer Joe South was born. His biggest hit was "Walk A Mile In My Shoes."

1953 - Scientists James D. Watson and Francis H.C. Crick discovered the double-helix structure of DNA, the molecule that contains the human genes, at Cambridge University.

McMinn Arrest Reports

✓ Dennis Clayton, 55, Hamby Street, Athens, was charged with failure to appear on a theft charge.

✓ Dillon Sherwood, 30, of Forrest Avenue, Athens, was charged with falsification of a drug screen.

✓ Nicholas R. Turner, 22, of Highway 307, Athens, was charged with domestic violence assault.

✓ Bradford Thurman, 44, of County Road 100, Decatur was charged with Violation of Probation and Failure to appear.

✓ Joseph King, 19, of County Road 731, Niota, was charged with violation of probation and possession of Schedule 2 drugs (Meth).

NOTE: All persons arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Arrests and Incidents information was obtained from public sources.

Wes Hall, Reporter

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