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Thursday, August 17, 2023 **Athens, Tennessee**

Lightning Strikes House

Close to 4am Tuesday the owner of this residence located on Hwy 39E (Liberty Hill), Englewood heard an explosion which she believed to be a lightning strike and just shortly after that she heard the smoke detectors going off. The house began to fill with smoke and upon arrival of the first fire personnel the front section of the residence was fully involved in flames. That section sustained heavy damage from the fire and the remainder of the house sustained smoke and water damage. The owner suffered from smoke inhalation and was transported to Starr Regional Etowah by AMR. The agencies responding were Englewood, Etowah, and Athens Rural Fire, Etowah and Madisonville City Fire, McMinn County EMA Director Tom Trotter, AUB, and McMinn County Sheriff's Dept. Assisting with standby was Athens City Fire and Bradley County Fire Department who covered the districts who responded to the structure fire. Englewood Rural Fire Chief Billy Roach was in command of the scene. Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department



Community News You Can Use

✓The City of Athens Public Works Department announces the following street closure: The area to be affected is Sherwood Avenue from Knoxville Avenue to Guille Street. This closure will be on Monday, August 21st from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. The street will be closed to thru traffic. Motorists are advised to use extreme caution and watch for traffic signs, workers, and pedestrians. Motorists should allocate additional time for traffic delays when traveling in this area. The purpose of this closing is for stormwater pipe replacement. For more information, please contact the Office of the Public Works Department at 423-744-2745.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE

Weekly Summary Thru 8/12/2023
Tennessee: 2,566,049 Total Cases 29,691 Total Deaths

COUNTY	CASES	DEATHS
McMinn	20,294	293
Meigs	4,269	63
Monroe	18,693	279
Polk	5,736	89
Bradley	39,834	470
Rhea	12,015	175

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



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TODAY IN HISTORY - AUGUST 17th

1786 - American pioneer, Indian fighter, bear killer, and Congressman Davy Crockett was born near Greeneville, Tennessee. He became a member of Congress in 1827 after serving in the Tennessee state legislature. He was killed at the Battle of the Alamo in Texas.

1909 - Bandleader Larry Clinton ("Deep Purple") was born.

1969 - Hurricane Camille made landfall on the Gulf Coast, near Biloxi, Mississippi. The storm surge destroyed homes and hotels on the coast. The storm continued to dump heavy rains as far north as Virginia. A total of 255 people died.

1984 - Baseball great Roberto Clemente became the first Puerto Rican to be commemorated on a U.S. postage stamp. Clemente was also a humanitarian. He died in a plane crash off the coast of Puerto Rico in 1972 as he was flying to aid earthquake victims in Nicaragua.

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

♦ **Mary Ellen (Hughes) Long**, age 69, of Morristown, passed away on August 14th surrounded by loved ones. Mary was the third of five daughters. She grew up on a dairy farm in the Clearwater community before attending Cleveland State Community College and Middle Tennessee State University. Soon after she moved to Morristown to teach for Hamblen County Schools. It was in Morristown that she met her husband, William E. "Buzz" Long. Mary subsequently worked at TVA before taking time to raise her children at home, later returning to work at Alpha Intermediate until her retirement in 2021. Graveside services will be at 11:00 AM Friday, August 18th at Clearwater Cemetery. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home in Athens is in charge of the arrangements.

♦ **George Marc Bernatti**, age 83, of Tellico Plains, passed away August 11th. He was born in Riga, Latvia. Marc faithfully served the United States Army, and graduated with a master's degree from The Citadel, and raised two sons. Marc retired from the Department of Defense and lived his remaining years in Tennessee. A graveside service will be held Friday August 25th at 2:00 PM at Chattanooga National Cemetery. Good Samaritan Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

This and That

TODAY IS:

- National Nonprofit Day
- National Love Your Feet Day
- National Thrift Shop Day
- National Massachusetts Day
- Black Cat Appreciation Day

Wednesday's Market Report

Stocks declined. Bond yields rose. The 10-year Treasury yield rose to 4.27%. International stocks were lower. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 180.65 to 34,765.74. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 33.53 to 4,404.33 and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 156.42 to 13,474.63.

WEATHER FORECAST

Thursday - Mostly sunny and pleasant. High 83.
Thurs. Night - Clear. Low 64.
Friday - Partly cloudy & humid. High 85.
Friday Night - Clear. Low 58.
Weather at: wyxi.com



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