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Car Overturned in Etowah, Tuesday



After the driver lost control of a 2010 Scion, the vehicle veered off the roadway and overturned, trapping the passenger's hand under the car. The accident occurred around 12:30 pm on Tuesday at the intersection of County Roads 660 and 633 in Etowah. Fire personnel extricated the passenger, who was then treated by AMR and transported to Erlanger Hospital in Chattanooga. The driver refused medical treatment. Responding to the scene were Claxton Fire, Etowah Rural Fire, Etowah City Fire Departments, McMinn County Sheriff's Department, and THP Officer Dean Conk, who investigated the accident. The incident was commanded by Claxton Fire 2nd Lt. Jonathan Bartley. *Photo Credit: Etowah Rural Fire Department*

Church News & Events

- East Athens Baptist Church (301 Central Ave., Athens) presents their Vacation Bible School on July 8 - 12 from 5:45 pm - 8:15 pm. Free Supper will be provided and children up through 5th grade are encouraged to attend. **See ad on Page 2.**
- First Church of God (300 N. Congress Pkwy, Athens) is holding a one day VBS on Saturday, July 13 from 9 am - 2 pm.
- First Baptist Church of Niota is hosting SCUBA VBS from July 7th to July 11th for kids aged 2 up through 8th grade. **See their ad below.**
- Wolf Creek Baptist Church (5225 Wolf Creek Road, Spring City) presents the Gospel group, *Greater Vision* with Special Guests *The Sentinels* on Thursday, July 11th at 7:00 pm. This is a free concert with a love offering being taken. For more info, contact Brad Harris at (423) 718-0797 or Wolf Creek Baptist Church at (423) 365-9225
- Englewood First Church of God is hosting Family Day, a community health event/back-to-school bash along with other local churches and local ministries/services. They will provide resources, services (such as: vaccines, haircuts, hygiene items, etc.), and back-to-school supplies for students (such as: scissors, glue, notebooks, paper, etc.) This event will be on July 20th from 10 am - 2pm at Englewood Park. Everyone is invited. If you would like to donate items, visit their Amazon Wishlist [HERE](#) or for more information about Family Day event, visit their Facebook Event page [HERE](#)



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Obituaries

Linda Faris Chesnutt passed away peacefully on June 28 after a courageous five-year battle with ovarian cancer. She was an active member of Keith Memorial Methodist Church throughout her life. In the early 1980s, Linda co-owned Carriage House Fashions, a dress shop in downtown Athens. Alongside her writing partner, Georgia Pierce, she also co-authored seven historical romance novels under the pseudonym Lindsey Hanks, bringing joy to many readers with her storytelling. A graveside service will be held on Friday, July 12 at 11:00 AM at Cochran Cemetery in Englewood, TN. Following the service, a luncheon will be provided by Keith Memorial Methodist Church at 12:30 PM at her residence, located at 503 Linden Circle, Athens, TN 37303. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is honored to serve the family of Linda Faris Chesnutt.

Alice Faye Edgemon Powell, 80 of Decatur, passed away on Tuesday, July 2. She graduated from Meigs County High School, where she was a part of the first Girls basketball team to go to the state tournament in 1962. She was a member of Mt. Carmel Methodist Church in Meigs County, where she taught Sunday School and played the piano. A Funeral Service will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 6 in the Chapel of Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Interment will follow in the Beta Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 1 pm - 3 pm, prior to the service. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is honored to serve the Powell Family.

Larry Wayne Gates, 74 of Niota, passed away on Tuesday, July 2 at his residence. He was a journeyman welder and a talented song writer and musician. Funeral services will be 4 pm Saturday, July 6 in the chapel of Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home. The interment will be at Niota Cemetery immediately following the service. The family will receive friends from 2 pm - 4 pm Saturday at the funeral home prior to the service. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home will be in charge of the arrangements.

H. Ray Priest, 78, of Athens, passed away Tuesday, July 2, 2024, peacefully at his residence. He was President of both Springbrook Furniture Manufacturing and Horizon Furniture Manufacturing. In retirement, he owned and operated Athens Auto Sales. He was a longtime Mason belonging to Meridian Sun Lodge #50, Scottish, and Alhambra Shrine. He was part of one of the founding families of Pope Avenue Baptist Church and remained of the Baptist faith throughout his life. Funeral services will be 7 p.m. Monday, July 8, in the chapel of Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home. Interment will be Tuesday, July 9 at 11 a.m. at McMinn Memory Gardens. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday prior to the service at the funeral home. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

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Mid-East THEA Homeschool Marketplace & Used Curriculum Sale



On Saturday, June 29, the 2024 Homeschool Marketplace and Used Curriculum Sale hosted by Mid-East THEA, was a successful community event, with the E.G. Fisher Public Library Community Room bursting at the seams, and overflowing onto the covered patio!

The sale featured an abundance of used curriculum, which helped many local homeschool parents find new curriculum for their children's next year of school. Also for sale were used books, crafts, children's clothing, baked goods, hand-crafted jewelry, office supplies, and refreshments including ice-cold lemonade and pizza. The lemonade stand was even built by and managed by homeschool teens! Also featured at the sale this year were several "kid-entrepreneurs," an increasingly popular aspect of homeschool sales. Kid-entrepreneur youth provided

their own creations, whether artisan crafts, baked goods, refreshments, and even their own gently used toys or collection items to sell and in some cases, even their very own self-authored books; and in turn, learn about the free-market and the basics of starting a business!

The sale was hosted by area homeschooling families connected by the Mid-East THEA organization, with the public invited to come in and shop. By several accounts of happy sellers, taking far less home than what they brought in, the event was a success! Armloads full of books and supplies, crafts and sweets, were being loaded into buyer's vehicles. While there, visitors were also able to speak with veteran homeschooling parents, ask questions about area co-ops, activities, groups, field trips, and more related to home-education!

Mid-East THEA is the local chapter of the Tennessee Home Education Association (THEA), a non-profit, 501(c)(3), which works to preserve and defend TN families' rights to home-educate, in addition to offering services and events throughout the year. The chapter covers McMinn, Monroe, Meigs, and Polk Counties, and is the number one advocate for homeschoolers. Anyone desiring to learn more about this organization or home-schooling, is encouraged to contact Kelly Kaus at www.methea.org or at mideastthea@gmail.com.



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Street Closure Notice



The City of Athens Public Works Department announces the following street closure:

The area to be affected is LONG STREET from Washington Avenue to Madison Avenue. This closure will be from Saturday, July 13, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. until Sunday, July 14, 2024 at 7:00 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 the Don't Be A Scrooge: Christmas in July event. For more information, please contact the Office of the Public Works Department at 423-744-2745.

TODAY IS...

- National Hawaii Day
- National Graham Cracker Day
- National Apple Turnover Day

TVA Joins "Keep America Beautiful"



The Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) joined the nonprofit Keep America Beautiful to clean up the Tennessee River on

Wednesday. The cleanup, aiming to remove 25 billion pieces of trash before the US' 250th anniversary in two years, is part of a five-step initiative launched by Keep America Beautiful. TVA employees spent the day cleaning the shorelines of Tennessee's River as part of that initiative. TVA's Chief Sustainability Officer says keeping the river clean is a community effort. "It's really going take everybody, and it's going take a long-term commitment to keeping waterways clean. It's something that there are a lot of small things that everybody can do. It doesn't have to be a monumental effort." For more information on "Keep America Beautiful", how to volunteer, and ways you can take action in your neighborhood, school and workplace, visit their website at kab.org.



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