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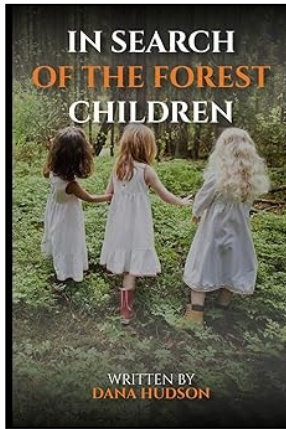
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Local Author Heads to Decatur Library



The Meigs Decatur Friends of the Library will host local author, Dana Hudson, Saturday, August 10 at 1pm, at the Meigs Decatur Public Library, Decatur, TN. Dana's book, "[In Search of the Forest Children](#)", will be discussed. Published in 2023 and earning a five-star rating on the Amazon/Kindle website, this book tells the story of a mother who claims to have seven children but only four are with her. The mother is investigated for years before the truth is finally learned. Join the Library and see if you can solve this mystery. This event is free and open to all. Light refreshments to follow.

Community News You Can Use

- The 2024 McMinn County Job Fair is taking place on Wednesday, August 14 at Athens Regional Park from 9 AM - 3 PM. Over 25 Employers are currently hiring and scheduled to attend. Job Seekers can register to attend at the link [HERE](#)
- The Friends of Etowah Carnegie Library will hold their monthly book sale on Saturday, August 10th. The book sale is on the first floor of the library and will be open 10am - 2pm. For more information, call (423) 263-9475 or visit www.etowahlibrary.com.
- The McMinn County Election Commission will have a called meeting on Tuesday, August 13 at 5 pm in the blue room of the McMinn County Courthouse to certify the August 1st Election Results and to approve the election payroll and conduct any election business to legally come before the board.

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Obituaries

John Earl Dake, age 59, of Athens, passed away unexpectedly in his sleep at his home on Saturday, August 3. He loved working on the family farm and was a member of Union Chapel United Methodist Church. The family will receive friends from noon to 2 PM on Saturday, August 10, at Ziegler Funeral Home. Funeral services will follow at 2 PM. Interment will follow at Union Chapel United Methodist Church Cemetery. Ziegler Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of John Earl Dake.

Mary Delores Waters Roberts, age 90, of Ten Mile, passed away on Friday, August 2, at Sweetwater Hospital. She was a resident of Ten Mile since 1964 and was a member of Grandview Church of Jesus Christ. Family and friends will meet at 11 AM in Roberts Cemetery in Ten Mile TN, on Thursday, August 8, for a graveside service. Ziegler Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Mary Delores Waters Roberts.

Rev. Frank Kincannon went to be with his Lord and Savior on Friday, August 2 at the age of 86. He pastored Miracle Church of God and Lands Chapel Church. He sang Bluegrass Gospel music with the Pine Ridge Boys. The family will have visitation on August 8 from 11am-1pm, with the funeral service to follow at 1:00 pm at Companion Funeral Home of Athens, TN. Following the

service, a graveside will be held at Pisgah Baptist Church Cemetery (478 Pisgah Academy Road, Decatur). Companion Funeral Home of Athens and the Cody family are honored to assist his family with these arrangements.

Tony C. Davis, 76 of Etowah, passed away, Sunday, August 4 surrounded by his loving family. Mr. Davis served in the US Air Force for 8 years. He was a pipefitter for Local 43, and worked as a dairy farmer for 25 years and a vegetable farmer in his most recent years. A graveside service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, August 11, 2024 in Old McDonald Cemetery, Ooltewah, TN. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.

Charlotte Sue Frisbie Lairmore, 75 of Niota, passed away unexpectedly at her home, Sunday, August 4, after a brief illness. She had been retired for several years and was a member of Union McMinn Baptist Church. The family asks that family and close friends stop by Kyker Funeral Home on Wednesday, August 7 from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM for visitation. Graveside services will be held at 2:30 PM, Wednesday, August 7, at Union McMinn Cemetery. Kyker Funeral Home in Sweetwater is honored to serve the Lairmore Family.



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Johns Manville Union Seeks New Contract



Nearly four months after a historic vote to unionize Chattanooga's Volkswagen plant, another union in our area seeks success. Representatives from the Johns Manville union in Etowah met on Monday for negotiations. Their employees say they want a better work-life balance and better wages. Their contract is set to end Sunday at midnight. James Morrow, a United Steelworkers District 9 representative, says these workers also want their wages to reflect the rise of inflation throughout the area. Out of its 290 employees, 150 are currently union members. Johns Manville released a statement in response to the union's efforts: "We have been negotiating in good faith for three weeks. That time includes two contract extensions agreed to by both sides. Johns Manville provided the union with a competitive last, best and final offer on Sunday." From..... [News Channel 9](#)

Motorcyclist Dead after Hamilton Co. Crash



The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office is investigating a deadly crash involving a motorcyclist. It happened on Sunday. Deputies responded to reports of a pedestrian struck around 4:30 in the morning. HCSO says a woman was driving

south on Suck Creek Road when she saw a downed motorcycle in her lane. The woman says she swerved to avoid the bike and hit the motorcyclist who was lying in the road. The preliminary investigation shows the motorcyclist wrecked before the driver came across the scene. It's unclear how long he'd been in the road. At this time, investigators also don't know if the motorcyclist was dead before being hit by the car. The ID of the victim has not been released.

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Arrest Reports

Malcolm Goodner, 45 of Cleveland, was arrested by the MCSO for Aggravated Assault, Aggravated Domestic Assault, Reckless Endangerment, Unlawful Carry / Possession of a Weapon, Aggravated Burglary, Vandalism, and Aggravated Child Endangerment. Total Bond: \$60,000.

Shelby Williams, 28 of Etowah, was arrested by the Etowah PD, for Possession of Schedule II Fentanyl, Possession of Schedule II Methamphetamine, and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia. Total Bond: \$22,000.

Steven Wattenbarger, 29 of Etowah, was arrested by the MCSO for Possession of Schedule II Fentanyl for Resale, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, and Violation of Probation. Total Bond: \$16,919.45.

Thomas Carouthers, 27 of Ten Mile, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation, Criminal Impersonation and Possession of Schedule VI Cannabis. Total Bond: \$4,913.45

Logan White, 27 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Possession of Methamphetamine, and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia. Total Bond: \$7,000.

Chad Smith, 42 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Evading Arrest, Resisting Stop, Driving on a Suspended License, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, Altering Titles, Plates, and Violation of Probation. Total Bond: \$26,626.30

This information was gathered from public sources.
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Today in History - August 7

1782 - The Order of the Purple Heart was established by George Washington to honor Americans wounded in the Revolutionary War.

1925 - Songwriter Felice Bryant was born. She and her husband, Boudleaux wrote dozens of hit songs, including most of the Everly Brothers' hits and the song, "Rocky Top."

1942 - U.S. Marines launched America's first offensive in the Pacific in World War II, as they landed on the island of Guadalcanal.

1948 - A new Olympic Games record was set when 83,000 spectators attended the final day of track and field events. The Games, held in London, England, had gate receipts totaling more than \$2 million.

1971 - The Apollo 15 moon mission ended successfully as its command module splashed down in the Pacific Ocean.

1973 - Park ranger Roy Sullins was struck by lightning for the 5th time. As usual, he was not hurt.

2010 - Elena Kagan was sworn in as the 112th justice and fourth woman to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court.