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Athens, Tennessee

It's BASEBALL Time in Tennessee!



Governor Bill Lee announced Friday that the Cincinnati Reds and Atlanta Braves will play a regular season game in the MLB Speedway Classic at Tennessee's Bristol Motor

Speedway on Saturday, Aug. 2, 2025. The Governor said, "This historic announcement marks the first American or National League game played in Tennessee. The MLB Speedway Classic is the second event to be awarded funding from the Special Event Fund. In 2022, Governor Lee partnered with the General Assembly to appropriate \$25 million in the state budget for a fund designed to attract and retain high-profile events that deliver significant economic impact, create jobs, and showcase the state to a global audience. The Special Event Fund is a competitive, incentive-based grant program tied to measurable performance outcomes. Eligible events will generate direct economic impact greater than \$10 million, and a net economic benefit of at least \$1 million in state tax revenue.

Community News You Can Use

- The McMinn County Board of Commissioners will meet in Regular Session in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse, in Athens on August 19 at 6:00 pm.
- The Friends of Etowah Carnegie Library will hold their monthly meeting at the library on Tuesday, August 20th at 5:30 pm. This meeting is open to the public. For more information, call (423) 263-9475 or visit www.etowahlibrary.com
- The McMinn County Highway Dept. has announced that McMinn County Road 218, Floyd Simpson Road (on the State Route 305 end) will be closed Tuesday, August 13, from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM for road construction.
- Athens City Middle School is hosting a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Sports Complex today, August 13 at 4:30 pm. The complex is located at 200 Keith Lane in Athens.
- The Main Street Moments radio broadcast with Executive Director, Sandra Kinney, features Erica Peaden with the McMinn Regional Humane Society. It airs today at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI FM 94.5 & AM 1390. Today's broadcast is part 1 of a 2 part program. See their promo ad on page 4 of today's Morning Fax.

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- MEDIC will giveaway 2 pairs of tickets.
 - First pair - Donate between August 19 - 25.
 - Second pair - Donate between August 26 and September 1.
- It must be a successful donation (needle in the arm).
- Deferred donors are not eligible to win.
- Tickets will be available for pickup in September.
- No purchase necessary.

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WEATHER FORECAST

Tues. - Sunny. Light Winds. High 87.

Tues. night - Partly Cloudy. Light Winds. Low 66.

Wed. - Mostly Sunny. High 86.

Wed. Night - Partly Cloudy. Low 67.

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"Wind River Built" Joins the Athens Chamber



A ribbon cutting was celebrated recently for new Chamber Member Wind River Built, located in Cleveland. They specialize in designing and construction of high-quality Park model, tiny homes and modular homes. Chamber friends joining the celebration and pictured here left to right are:

Paul Semenoff (Chamber Diplomat), Lisa Rhea (Chamber Diplomat), Stacey Hester (Chamber Diplomat), Maggie Sutton (Wind River Built), Paul Beckmann (Wind River Built), Caleb Knowles (Wind River Built), Amelia Dicks (Wind River Built), Stratton Tingle (Wind River Built), Sarah Turpin, Wesley Skinner (Chamber Diplomat), Back: Karen Sullivan (Athens Chamber), Hugh Willson (Chamber Diplomat), Daniel Atkinson, Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Traci White (Chamber Diplomat) John Rodriguez (Chamber Board), Kayleigh Heaton (Fleischmann Field Rep.), Joseph Ladner (Chamber Diplomat), Carla Watson, Charlie Clark, Lindsey Ferguson, Tim Tatum (Chamber Diplomat), and Jason Eby
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Obituaries

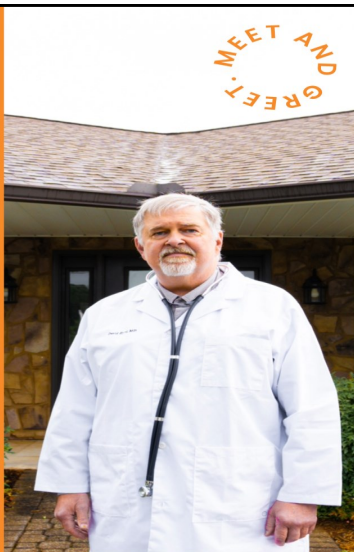
Benny Tuggle, 84, of Athens, TN, passed away Sunday, August 11. Benny was a veteran of the United States Air Force. He retired, as a conductor from the CSX railroad. He took every opportunity he could to take a ride on his Harley Davidson motorcycle. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.

Clyde Truelove, Jr, a native and lifelong resident of Cleveland, passed away on Saturday, August 10. He was a member of Wings of Love House of Prayer. The family will receive friends beginning at 5:00 PM on Wednesday, August 14 at Madisonville Church of God of Prophecy. A funeral will be held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, August 15 at the Madisonville Church of God of Prophecy with a burial to follow in the church cemetery. Ziegler Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Clyde Truelove, Jr.

Meet & Greet with Dr. Byrd at Direct Primary Care Associates

We invite you to an Open House and Ice Cream Social at our Athens, TN office to meet Dr. Byrd on Thursday, August 15th from 1pm - 6pm.

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Trailer Hippies Set to Take on Sounds of Summer



Friendly City Festivals announces the ninth concert in the 15th annual Sounds of Summer concert series will showcase Trailer Hippies.

The concert will be held at Market Pavilion on 106 South

Jackson Street in downtown Athens, Tennessee starting at 7:00 p.m. Concert goers are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs blankets, family and friends for an entertaining evening of Americana folk music.

The husband wife duo of Tommy and Silvia Davis brings an eclectic blend of folk music and groovy harmonies. With Tommy on vocals, rhythm guitar and harmonica and Silvia bringing vocals, guitar, mandolin and percussion, Trailer Hippies call their music homegrown mountain folk.

The remaining series line up includes:

August 23-Mendingwall

August 30th-The Dexter Thomas Band

This free to the public series is produced by Friendly City Festivals, a 501(c)3 subsidiary of Willsonthropic, Inc. and is made possible by the financial support of: The City of Athens Hotel/Motel Tax Fund, McMinn County Tourism Board, Wolfenden Family Pharmacies Dynasty Pools and Spas, TVA, Tennessee Overhill Association, Tennessee Arts Commission, Mayfield Dairy Farm, DENSO, Humana, VEC Customer Shares, Citizens National Bank of Sevier County, Valley Oil, Starr Regional Medical Center, Kona Ice, Pendleton's Playground, Simmons Bank, Simmons Wealth Management Group, Warren Jackson CPAs, and Athens Kiwanis Club. Special thanks to The Morning Fax, The Daily Post-Athenian, Athens Area Chamber of Commerce, The Arts Center and Main Street Athens for social media and advertising support.

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Arrest Reports

Jesse Ray, 33 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Felony Evading Arrest, Open Container, 2nd Offense DUI, and Violation of Implied Consent. Total Bond \$9,000.

Michael Price, 67 of Englewood, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation. Total Bond: \$2,327.45

Johnathan Blankenship, 38 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Disorderly Conduct. Total Bond: \$1,500.

Kevin Quam, 53 of Etowah, was arrested by the Etowah PD for Violation of Probation. Total Bond: \$602.95

Larry Bennett, 36 of Cleveland, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation. Total Bond: \$464.95

Lanetta Frye, 50 of Englewood, was arrested by the Athens PD for Driving on a Suspended License and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia. No Bond Reported.

The accused are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Information compiled from public sources.



What Day Is It?

Today In History - August 13

1521 - Spanish conquistador Hernán Cortés captured Tenochtitlán (now Mexico City) after a 93-day siege, thereby ending the Aztec empire and winning Mexico for the crown of Spain.

1792 - Revolutionaries imprison French royals, including Marie Antoinette.

1889 - William Gray of Hartford, Connecticut patents the coin-operated telephone

1907 - First taxicabs operate in New York City, imported by Harry N. Allen

1913 - Stainless Steel is invented by Harry Brearley of Sheffield, England.

1914 - Carl Wickman begins Greyhound, the 1st US bus line, in Minnesota.

1923 - The US Steel Corp begins limiting their work day to only 8 hours, the first to do so.

1942 - The Manhattan Project begins under the direction of US General Leslie Groves. It's aim—to deliver an atomic bomb.

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