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Athens, Tennessee

Dowling is New City Manager



“The Athens City Council voted 5-0 for Randall Dowling as the new City Manager of Athens. Mr. Dowling along with 3 other candidates were fully vetted and investigated by MTAS and by each and every Council Member. All candidates have come and gone from different Cities and

Counties. Each have impeccable credentials and just because some Cities and Counties play the politics game in who they like or dislike played no part in the decision of the hire. Mr. Dowling has extensive experience and impressive educational background and skills. He received the full and absolute support in the vote of the City Council”. ~ Mayor Steven Sherlin

Community News You Can Use

- 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
- Athens City Schools is inviting everyone to the Scholastic Family Night Book Fair at Athens City Middle School on Thursday, August 29 from 5pm - 6pm. Immediately following the Book Fair is the PTO Family Night Annual Title 1 Meeting from 6 pm - 7pm.
- The City of Athens Public Works Department announces the following street closure: The areas to be affected are SIDEWALK AND PARKING SPACES 47, 48, 49, and 50, on WHITE STREET from Washington Avenue to Hornsby Street. This closure will be from Tuesday, August 20 at 6:30 a.m. until Friday, August 23 at 8:30 p.m. The purpose of this closure is for building repairs. For more information, please contact the Office of the Public Works Department at 423-744-2745.
- Today, August 20th, is National Radio Day. To learn how the amazing medium began, click or tap: [HERE](#)

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Athens Holiday Closures



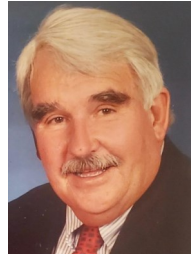
The Athens Municipal Building, Public Works, Recycle Center, and Animal Shelter will be closed on Monday, September 2 in observance of Labor Day.

The Municipal Building, Public Works, Recycle Center, and Animal Shelter will re-open Tuesday, September 3, 2024 during regular business hours. The residential garbage route for Monday, September 2, as well as all other residential garbage routes the week of Labor Day, will be on regular schedule. Please have garbage totes to the road the night before your scheduled pick up. Commercial/Industrial garbage routes will be picked up on a limited basis.

ALL EMERGENCY SERVICES WILL CONTINUE TO OPERATE ON A 24-HOUR BASIS. CONTACT MCMINN E911 COMMUNICATIONS IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY.

For more information, please contact the Office of the Public Works Department at 423-744-2745.

Obituaries



Wade Maynard Shultz passed from this world into the arms of his Lord and Savior on August 18, surrounded by his family. From an early age, Wade was an avid farmer, growing many different crops in his youth including corn, alfalfa, and sweet potatoes. He also enjoyed raising and showing FFA cattle and pigs. He was a veteran, proudly serving in the Vietnam Conflict in the US Navy or what he affectionately called "Uncle Sam's Canoe Club." Wade was a holder of the Order of Magellan, having crossed the international date line two

different times while serving on the USS Coral Sea and USS America. After his time in the service, he and his future wife Cecilia rekindled a relationship and were married in 1971. Over the course of 52 plus years together, Wade and Cecilia farmed everything from beef cattle and hay to row crops to apple trees. In the early 1980's Wade and his wife foresaw a vision that they would eventually bring to reality, Shultz Farm Foods. Researching and planting apple trees, became a business that ran every growing season for nearly 35 years. They sold dried apples, apple stack cakes, apple cider, apple butter and the famous fried pies. Although farming was a large part of Wade's life, he did have a second occupation that worked in tandem with farming. After returning from service, Wade began taking private pilot flying lessons, launching his second career in the transportation industry. As a pilot for 40+ years, with 10,000+ hours of flying time, Wade was able to teach hundreds of new pilots how to fly, as well as fly commercially for several clients including Bowater, the USDA Forestry Service, and Sky Haren Construction. It was in this area that he landed his dream job of flying for Mayfield Dairy Farm for nearly 15 years. Wade had a strong relationship with Christ which led him to become a lifelong member of Gideons International. He also served as a deacon of his church, most recently at First Baptist of Etowah. Later in life, Wade served on various boards and committees in and around Athens, including Miracle Lake, Soil Conservation, and the McMinn County Farm Bureau. The family will receive friends from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., Friday, August 23, in the chapel of Bordwine Funeral Home. Funeral service to celebrate the life of Wade will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, August 24th at First Baptist Church of Etowah. The body will lie in state at the church one hour prior to the funeral. Interment will follow the service in Double Springs Baptist Church Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.

Columbus Baker Edgemon, age 95, of Ten Mile, TN, passed away on Sunday, August 18. He was a United States Marine Corps Veteran, having served in the Korean War. He was a member of Shiloh Baptist Church and an avid farmer. A funeral service will be held at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, August 21 in the chapel of Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Interment will follow in the Edgemon Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 1-3 p.m., prior to the service. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is honored to serve the Edgemon Family.

James Preston Shaver, age 90, of Decatur, passed away on Monday, August 19. He enjoyed going to the dirt track, watching his grandchildren and great-grandchildren playing sports, and mowing. A funeral service will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, August 22, in the Chapel of Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation. Interment will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, August 23, in the Beta Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 5 - 7 p.m., prior to the service on Thursday. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is honored to serve the Shaver Family.

Thomas Henry Redman, Jr., age 73, passed away on Monday, August 19, at UT Medical Center. There will be no formal services at this time. Ziegler Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Thomas Henry Redman, Jr.

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Athens, Tennessee

McMinn County Arrest Reports

William Croft, 53 of Etowah, was arrested by the MCSO for Possession of Schedule II Meth for Resale, Schedule II Fentanyl for Resale, Two counts of Possession of Schedule II Alprazolam, Possession of Schedule II Oxycodone, Possession of Schedule II Methadone and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia. Total Bond: \$51,000

Curtis Jordan, 31 of Etowah, was arrested by the Etowah PD for Criminal Trespassing. Total Bond: \$1,500.

Clay Kessinger, 30 of Riceville, was arrested by the Athens PD for Failure to Appear. Total Bond: \$12,000

Stephanie Croft, 46 of Loudon, was arrested by the MCSO for Possession of Schedule II Meth for Resale, Schedule II Fentanyl for Resale, Two counts of Possession of Schedule II Alprazolam, Possession of Schedule II Oxycodone, Possession of Schedule II Methadone and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia. Total Bond: \$102,000

Jimmy Crisp, 42 of Decatur, was arrested by the MCSO for Possession of Methamphetamine for Resale, Possession of Fentanyl for Resale, Driving on a suspended License, Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia, and Driving in Possession of Methamphetamine. Total Bond: \$66,000

Cody Ison, 32 of Humbolt, TN was arrested by the THP for his second offense of DUI, and Violation of Implied Consent. Total Bond: \$4,000.

The accused remain innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Information gathered from Public Sources.



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