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TWU Leases Ingleside Property



Tennessee Wesleyan University (TWU) and the City of Athens have entered into a multi-year lease agreement to revitalize the former Ingleside School property, marking the largest expansion of TWU's campus in over 50 years. The nearly nine-acre site will be developed into a multi-purpose athletics facility, supporting TWU's soccer, lacrosse, and track and field teams, with shared use for the Athens Parks and Recreation Department.

"This partnership will benefit both TWU and the community," said TWU President Dr. Tyler Forrest. The facility, located just a quarter mile from TWU's downtown campus, will enhance local recreation options and serve as a gateway to Athens' key attractions. TWU also plans to preserve aspects of Ingleside School's historical significance as part of the redevelopment.

Community News You Can Use

- The Tennessee Highway Patrol will be conducting a Sobriety Checkpoint on January 10, 2025 at 8:00 pm on State Route 305 at County Road 250 in McMinn County. The scheduled checkpoint is contingent upon manpower and weather conditions.
- There will be a meeting of the McMinn County Properties Committee on November 21 at noon in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse. The purpose of the meeting is to review the new Health Department plans.
- The VFW is having their Annual Turkey Shoot every Saturday from 8am-12 Noon and each Saturday through November 23 at VFW Post #5146 at 706 North Congress Parkway in Athens. They are raising funds for their Christmas baskets to be distributed to Veterans & spouses. For more information, call 423-745-8387.

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

Bertram Edward "Mullie" LeNoir III, 76 of Athens, passed away on Monday, November 11. Dr. LeNoir had a dental practice in Spring City for more than 50 years. He received his Bachelor's degree from the University of Chattanooga (now Univ. of TN-Chattanooga) and his Doctor of Dental Sciences from the University of Tennessee-Memphis. Receiving of friends will be at Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens on Saturday, November 16 from 12:00 to 2:00 pm followed by a graveside service at Cedar Grove Cemetery at 2:00 pm. Smith Funeral and Cremation Services of Athens in in charge.

Stephanie Beth Hill, 54 of Knoxville, TN, passed away Monday, November 11 in a local hospital. Stephanie was a graduate of University of Tennessee, Knoxville and Medical University of South Carolina. The family will be having a Celebration of life on Thursday, November 21 at Companion Funeral and Cremation Service of Athens from 4-7pm. An Ash Scattering Ceremony is planned at Folly Beach, South Carolina at a later date. Companion Funeral Home of Athens and the Cody family are honored to assist the family with these arrangements.

Coach Lewis "Pee-wee" Bivens Dead at 79



Lewis Carl "Pee Wee" Bivens, 79 of Etowah, passed away at Parkwest Hospital on Wednesday, October 30 due to complications from kidney failure.

His coaching career started at Calhoun's Elementary, Middle, and High School where he was a baseball and basketball coach. Carson Newman and Middle Tennessee State were next in his journey in girl's basketball where he has outstanding records at both universities. Bivens led the Lady Raiders from 1987 to 1997, amassing a 183-103 record, four OVC regular-season titles, and two NCAA Tournament appearances. His adaptability and offensive strategy left a lasting impact on MTSU, including a standout 1995-96 season with a 24-6 record. Former players and colleagues praised Bivens for his dedication and resilience, particularly during the 1991-92 season when he overcame paralysis caused by health complications.

Bivens' legacy includes his influence on players like Heather Warren, a Hall of Fame guard who credited his leadership for shaping her career.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Wesley Memorial Church in Etowah, TN on Saturday, November 23rd at 2:00pm EST. A Celebration of Life at MTSU, Murphy Center will be held on Sunday, November 24th at 2:00pm CST.

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Church News & Events

- McMahan Calvary Baptist Church at 569 Co Road 172 Athens is having a Thanksgiving dinner after their 11 a.m. Sunday Service on Nov. 24th. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- Celebrate Recovery meets every Thursday at 6:00 P.M. at Watts Bar Community Church (1517 TN-68, Decatur).
- Planted In Christ Outreach Fellowship, 317 Maple Street, in Athens, invites you to attend Outreach Deliverance Classes every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
- Sweetwater House of Prayer is hosting a Community Blessing Closet on the third Saturday of every month from 8 am – 4 pm.
- St. Mark AME Zion Church will be holding Sunday services at 11:00 am at Keith Memorial UMC. Sunday School is at 9:45 am in Ensminger Hall. Rev. Tiki Dixon is the pastor of St. Mark.
- First United Presbyterian Church will now hold church services every 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 10:00 am. Everyone is welcome to join us. Minister Juanita McClure Lewis is the Interim Pastor.
- Union McMinn Baptist Church (314 County Road 316, Niota) is serving a free plate lunch for all on November 28th from 11am to 1pm. The church is located right off I-75 exit 56. First come, first serve.
- First Baptist Church of Athens invites you to celebrate their 200th anniversary this Sunday, November 17 during their 10 am service.
- The youth at Allen Memorial United Methodist Church will hold a Thanksgiving dinner on Sunday, November 17 @ 5 P.M. This is a fund raiser for the youth. Visit Wattenbarger Hall at Allen Memorial UMC and have good food and fellowship. See any youth or youth leader for more information.

We encourage you to e-mail community events, church news, or other items of interest for possible use in the Morning Fax. If you take a newsworthy photograph, e-mail it to: wyradio@gmail.com

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Athens Youth Basketball League Registration Open



The City of Athens Youth Basketball League registration is now open! Registration is \$75 per player and includes a reversible licensed NBA jersey and matching shorts, a basketball, secondary medical insurance for each player, background checks for coaches, and game official expenses. There is free entry into all games throughout the season. For a link to register online go to:

<https://secure.rec1.com/TN/athens-tn/catalog>

For more information, please email the Athens Parks and Recreation office at recreation@athenstn.gov or call the Parks and Recreation Office at 423-744-2704.

TN Unemployment Remains Low, Outpaces National Average



Tennessee's unemployment rate remains near historic lows, holding steady at 3.3% in October, according to the latest data from the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development. Although up slightly from 3.2% in September, the state's rate remains significantly below the national average of 4.1%.

Earlier this year, Tennessee hit a record low unemployment rate of 3% for three consecutive months. The October figure is two-tenths of a percentage point lower than the same period last year.

Tennessee employers added 2,600 nonfarm jobs between September and October, with the largest gains in education and health services. Over the past year, total nonfarm employment rose by 45,200 jobs, driven by growth in sectors like trade, transportation, and construction.

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America Recycles Day



Today, Friday, November 15th is America Recycles Day! Athens Public Works is hosting an Outreach Event at the Recycle Center at 118 Rocky Mount Rd., in Athens from 8 am - 11 am and 1 pm - 3 pm. Public Works will be

handing out information on all the recycling options that the Public Works Department has in addition to brochures with information about everyday ways residents can protect our city and county's natural resources and beauty. There will be some free giveaways while supplies last. For more information, please contact Public Works at 423-744-2745

Football Preview

This Week's Match-Ups

High School Playoffs Friday

Round 2 5A Playoffs

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Round 2 3A Playoffs

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