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Athenians Discuss Racist Flyer Response



Over 100 Athenians met last Thursday at St. Paul's Episcopal Church to discuss ways to respond to the flyer that some anonymous person(s) from outside of the area used to litter our streets with material from the KKK. The flyer seemed to be directed at our Hispanic friends and neighbors, among

others. The prevailing mood of the diverse group was that Athenians can do more to spread messages of unity and love.

Athens Animal Shelter Closed

Due to construction at the facility, the City of Athens Animal Shelter is now closed to the public as of Tuesday, February 4 until Monday, February 10 at 8:00 a.m. The drop-off or adoption of any animal will be strictly by appointment only. To schedule a drop-off of an animal call 423-744-2747. To schedule the adoption of an animal call 423-744-9548. The Animal Shelter intake hours are as follows: Monday through Friday 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and closed on Saturday and Sunday. The Animal Shelter adoptions hours are as follows: Tuesday through Friday 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and closed Sunday and Monday. For more information, please contact the Office of the Public Works Department at 423-744-2745.

◆ This week, *Hope From the Well* host, **Julie Tillis** invites guests **Amanda Goins** and **Lacy Stone**. *Hope From the Well* is heard every Thursday morning at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5.

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More Weather at: wvxi.com



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Obituaries

Lisa Ann Steinecke LaFond, 56 of Decatur, passed away on Friday, January 31. She enjoyed being outdoors, especially horseback riding and riding motorcycles. She also enjoyed creating diamond art and sewing. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is honored to serve the LaFond family.

Driver Airlifted After Early Morning Crash in Etowah



A serious accident early Tuesday morning left a driver critically injured after crashing head-on into a tree on County Road 609 at County Road 527 in Etowah.

The crash, involving a 2006 Ford Escape, occurred around 12:30 a.m. First responders and AMR treated the driver at the scene before transporting him to a landing zone at Goodsprings Baptist Church, set up by Etowah Rural Fire and Etowah City Fire Departments. The victim was then airlifted by LifeForce to Erlanger in Chattanooga for further treatment.

Englewood Rural Fire, McMinn County Sheriff's Department, and THP Trooper DJ Taylor also responded to the scene.

Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department.

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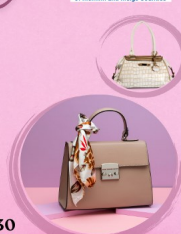



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Cleveland State Awarded Rural Healthcare Grant

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Cleveland State Community College was awarded a \$300,000 Rural Healthcare Grant from the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development to expand healthcare programs in the college's five county service area of Bradley, McMinn, Meigs, Monroe and Polk counties.

The grant is a partnership between the Adult Education, Workforce Development, Healthcare departments at the college and local healthcare employers. Adult Education will provide services for students in workforce preparedness and skill upgrading in math and reading as well as career planning. Workforce Development will provide short-term bootcamps in entry-level healthcare careers such as Phlebotomy, Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) and Medical Billing and Coding. Tuition assistance will be available for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) basic and paramedic courses. Grant funds will also provide tuition, gas and childcare assistance to qualified students enrolled in the bootcamps.

"Cleveland State Adult Education is excited to offer financial assistance to individuals interested in healthcare programs who otherwise wouldn't be able to attend," said Angela Cooper, Adult Education Director. "We are looking forward to strengthening community employer partnerships by providing a pipeline of talented and skilled individuals."

The Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development is leading efforts to address workforce shortages across various industries, with healthcare as a priority. Governor Bill Lee is prioritizing initiatives to improve rural healthcare. As the demand for healthcare services continues to grow, the challenge of recruiting and retaining talent is compounded by barriers that students face, such as limited financial support and training opportunities. This initiative aims to strengthen the pipeline of healthcare professionals in rural communities. For more information about the Adult Education program, call 423-614-8763 or email adulted@clevelandstatecc.edu.

Valentine's Day CONTEST

What is Love?

- ♥ Create a piece of Valentine Art
- ♥ Create a Valentine Card
- ♥ Write a poem

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UT v. Missouri Tonight

The fourth-ranked Tennessee Volunteers continue their tough stretch of conference matchups as they take on No. 15/16 Missouri on Wednesday night at 7 p.m. ET at Food City Center. The game, Tennessee's fifth consecutive contest against a top-15 SEC opponent, will be broadcast on SEC Network with Roy Philpott and Jimmy Dykes on the call. Fans can also listen live via the Vol Network, featuring Bob Kesling and Steve Hamer.

Tennessee (18-4, 5-4 SEC) is coming off a dominant 64-44 victory over No. 5/6 Florida on Saturday, despite missing two key starters - senior guard Zakai Zeigler and senior forward Igor Miličić Jr. Chaz Lanier led the Volunteers with 19 points, helping the team improve to 7-1 all-time in AP top-10 home matchups. Head coach Rick Barnes remains undefeated (6-0) at home against AP top-five opponents while at Tennessee.

Wednesday's matchup against Missouri (17-4, 6-2 SEC) marks another crucial test for the Volunteers as they continue their battle for positioning in the SEC standings.

Source: UTSports.com

McMinn County has Mixed Results at Ooltewah



The Cherokees and Lady Cherokees traveled down I-75 for a pair of games with the Ooltewah Owls Monday night. The Lady Cherokees lost to the Lady Owls 63-51. McMinn was led by Hannah Clark with 15 points followed by Aven Hennessee with 9 points. In the boys action, the Cherokees took command early and never trailed winning by a final score of 63-40. The Cherokees were led by Reese Frazier with 18 points and Brady Mullins with a double/double scoring 16 points and pulling down 10 rebounds. McMinn is back at home this Friday evening hosting Cleveland with the girl's game at 6:00 PM and boys at 7:30 PM.

McMinn Cherokees Coverage provided by: *Shane Sewell*

We encourage you to e-mail results from local school sporting events for use in the Morning Fax. If you take a newsworthy photograph, send it to: wyxiradio@gmail.com

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McMinn County Arrest Reports

April Stamey, 50 of Riceville, was arrested by the MCSO for Public Intoxication and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia. Total Bond: \$1,500

Odis Ballew, 45 of Athens, was arrested by the MCSO for two counts of Burglary, Vandalism, and Possession of Burglary Tools. Total Bond: \$12,000

Angelica Gray, 44 of Tellico Plains, was arrested by the MCSO for Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia and Violation of Probation. Total Bond: \$2,000

Nancy Poteet, 55 of Athens, was arrested by the MCSO for Simple/Casual Possession, Tampering with Evidence, and Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia. Bond Unreported.

Dylan Whittenburg, 23 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Assault against a First Responder and Resisting Arrest. Bond Unreported.

Spencer Sisson, 28 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Public Intoxication. Total Bond: \$1,000.

Mya Smith, 25 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for State Violation of Probation. No Bond.

Mitchell Norris, 51 of Decatur, was arrested by the MCSO for Failure to Appear. No Bond.

Rhonda Pilkey, 43 of Sweetwater, was arrested by the MCSO for State Violation Probation. No Bond.

Randall McDonald, 57 of Niota, was arrested by the Niota PD for Domestic Assault. Total Bond: \$1,000

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