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Today's News... This Morning

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Thursday, September 20, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

State & Local News

◆ POLICE & FIRE REPORTS FOR AUGUST

Members of the Athens City Council heard the reports of police and fire department activity for August at this past Tuesday night's monthly council meeting.

- Police Chief Cliff Couch said there were 78 thefts in Athens in August, 17 assaults, eight burglaries, seven motor vehicle thefts, and one robbery. Police issued 140 citations for moving violations. There were 95 traffic accidents with 11 injuries. Chief Couch reported there are currently two vacancies on the police force.

- Fire Chief Brandon Ainsworth reported that firefighters responded to 48 calls in August. Three calls were to building fires, nine were to vehicle accidents with injuries, nine were medical assist calls, and 13 were false alarms. Losses from fires totaled \$63,100.00.

◆ VIVID AWARD TO OVERCOMING FAITH

The Athens City Council presented its VIVID (Very Important Volunteer Individual) Award to Pastor Harold McCowan and the members of the Overcoming Faith Christian Center. Overcoming Faith was recognized for its annual free backpack giveaway. For the past seven years, the church has given away backpacks along with free lunches, free dental supplies and oral health exams, and school supplies. This year, free food and games were also featured at the event along with music. Approximately 500 backpacks were given away at this year's event.

National & World News

◆ Wanda Barzee, one of Elizabeth Smart's former captors, has been released from prison. Barzee was released from the Draper Prison in Draper, Utah, Wednesday morning.

◆ Four people were shot as a gunman opened fire at the Mason-town, Pennsylvania courthouse Wednesday afternoon. All four of the injured were taken to local hospitals with non-life threatening injuries. The gunman was shot multiple times, and was pronounced dead at the scene.

◆ A great-grandmother in Texas hit an alligator in the bulls eye earlier this week, killing the massive reptile with one shot to its head. Livingston Mayor Judy Cochran believes the gator she found on her family ranch along the Trinity River in Goodrich, Texas, is responsible for her miniature horse who went missing three years ago. She believes the gator ate the horse, which was about the size of a Labrador retriever.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The Athens Community Theatre presents a children's theater production of *Mary Poppins* this weekend and next weekend. The Friday and Saturday night shows start at 7 and the Sunday shows are at 2 p.m. at The Arts Center. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students.

✓ The Cherokee Golf Team Alumni Classic will take place on Saturday, October 6th, at Springbrook Golf and Country Club. All former McMinn County High School players, coaches, family, and friends are invited. The entry cost is \$75, with a Shotgun start at 10 a.m. Proceeds will go to the MCHS golf team. To register, call Luke Sewell at 506-2209.

Full Circle Medical Center
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TODAY IN HISTORY - SEPTEMBER 20th

1519 - Portuguese navigator Ferdinand Magellan began a voyage to find a western passage to the East Indies. He sailed along the eastern coast of South America and then west. The voyage eventually became the first expedition around the world and offered proof that the world is round.

1873 - Financial chaos forced the New York Stock Exchange to close on this day. It remained closed for 10 days.

1924 - Singer Gogi Grant was born. Her biggest hit record was "The Wayward Wind."

1934 - Actress Sophia Loren was born.

1973 - Singer Jim Croce died in a plane crash in Louisiana. He was 30.



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Obituaries

- ♦ **Joyce Jeanette Ledford Swafford**, age 76, of Dalton, Georgia (and formerly of Athens), died Wednesday at an assisted living center in Dalton. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Marion J. Humphreys**, age 90, of Niota, died Tuesday at his home. He was a skilled carpenter, cabinet maker, and farmer. Funeral services will be Friday at 7 p.m. at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the services.
- ♦ **Patsy F. Hickman**, age 57, of Decatur, died Wednesday at Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.

◆ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ Employees of Athens Utilities Board have set a new company record for giving by personally contributing \$33,891.04 to this year's United Way fundraising campaign. Seventy-two percent of AUB's employees contributed this year.
- ✓ Congratulations to Ida Johnson of Athens who won the drawing for the Insta Pot at the 2018 Cowpea Festival Sept. 8th in Charleston. Companion Funeral Home has been a sponsor of the festival since its beginnings. The photo shows Luke Shepherd, apprentice funeral director for Companion, presenting the gift to the winner.



McMinn County Home Sales

There were 62 sales of single family homes in McMinn County in August, according to data from Tennessee Valley Appraisal Services. A sampling is listed below:

County Rd 420, Athens -	\$495,000
County Rd 752, Riceville -	\$363,000
County Rd 730, Riceville -	\$343,000
County Rd 656, Athens -	\$340,000
County Rd 1121, Athens -	\$310,000
County Rd 130, Riceville -	\$244,000
County Rd 726, Riceville -	\$240,000
Lynnwood Drive, Athens -	\$236,000
Zion Cove Lane, Englewood -	\$226,500
County Rd 961, Riceville -	\$225,000
Hillandale Drive, Athens -	\$219,000
Brentwood Drive, Athens -	\$212,250
N. Burn, Niota -	\$212,000
County Rd 1153, Riceville -	\$207,000
County Rd 790, Etowah -	\$199,000
County Rd 2520, Athens -	\$194,200
County Rd 110, Athens -	\$190,000
607 Francis St., Athens -	\$175,000
Kenwood St., Athens -	\$169,900
County Rd 7001, Athens -	\$168,000

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