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Tuesday, January 15, 2019

Athens, Tennessee

Local & Area News

◆ WRECK TIES UP TRAFFIC ON HIWAY 68

Eastbound traffic on Highway 68 in Meigs County was blocked for hours on Monday after an 18-wheeler overturned at the intersection with Highway 305.

(Photo by Dan Lehman)



Community News You Can Use

✓ United Way of McMinn and Meigs Counties is accepting nominations for the annual Dick Dyer Community Service Award. The award is given to an individual who exemplifies Mr. Dyer's exceptional vision and caring spirit for the community. Dyer was the first United Way Director. The award will be given at the United Way Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon on February 8th. To submit a nomination, send it to P.O. Box 1681, Athens, TN 37371-1681. The deadline is Feb. 1st.

✓ The Athens City Council holds its monthly meeting tonight at 6. The public is invited to attend.

✓ Are you preparing to take your ACT next month? Stop by the E.G. Fisher Public Library this Thursday at 6 p.m. and discover free study resources and practice tests through the Tennessee Electronic Library as well as testing tips from an experienced ACT tutor.

✓ "A Song for the Cure," a fundraiser for Relay for Life sponsored by Mars Hill Presbyterian Church will take place this Saturday, January 19th, at The Arts Center starting at 7 p.m. The evening will consist of several solo and duet performances with Johnny Coffman as Emcee. Tickets are \$15. Proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society.

✓ The Southeast Tennessee Human Resource Agency (SETHRA) is currently taking applications for the low income home energy assistance program. To apply, call 745-8095.

WEATHER FORECAST

Tuesday: Partly cloudy.
High 45.
Tue Night: Partly cloudy.
Low 26.
Wednesday: Mostly sunny.
High 51.
Wed Night: Clear. Low 34.
Thursday: 80% rain. High 47.
More Weather at: wysi.com

RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT



January Specials >>> 2 Sausage Biscuits for \$2
• 1 Breast - 1 Fixin - 1 Biscuit - 22 oz Drink: \$5
• 8 piece Box + 4 Biscuits, \$9.99
• 32 oz Tea still just \$1.00
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Western Sizzlin' Steak House-1804 Decatur Pike
11am-4pm: Grilled Chicken & Salad + Side-Bakery-Dessert-Rolls ~ \$9.99.
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Obituaries

- ♦ **Wanda Lue Mincy Parham**, age 77, of Athens, died Monday at Starr Regional Rehab in Etowah. She was a former employee of Sweetwater Valley Bank, AmSouth Bank, and most recently Regions Bank. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Cedar Grove Cemetery. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.
- ♦ **Patricia Ann Morrow**, age 58, of Riceville, died last Thursday at her home. A celebration of her life will held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Athens Chapel of Companion Funeral Home, with visitation from 1 to 2 p.m.
- ♦ **John D. Pope, Sr.**, age 71, of Athens, died Sunday at Erlanger. A memorial service will be held Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Pope Avenue Baptist Church, with visitation at the church from 6 to 7 p.m. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.
- ♦ **Patricia "Patsy" Gayle Cross**, age 73, of Decatur, died Sunday at her home. A memorial service will be held Thursday at 6 p.m. at Bowers Funeral Home. The family will gather in the visitation room following the service to fellowship with friends.
- ♦ **Robert Lawrence Versa, Jr.**, age 62, of Cleveland (and a native of Athens) died January 10th. He was the former owner of Quintin's Café and Bakery Downtown in Athens and also located at the Sweetwater Hotel and Bowater Cafeteria. He was a former life guard at Cook Pool where he taught many children how to swim. Services were held Monday afternoon in Cleveland. M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home was in charge.

Restaurant Inspection Scores

The following Athens restaurants were inspected in December. A score of 70+ is passing.

- SWEATY BETTY'S BBQ - 100
- JOE'S ITALIAN CUISINE - 99
- JENKINS GRILL - 99
- BURKETT'S - 99
- RUBY TUESDAY - 99
- SMALL'S DRIVE IN - 99
- GONDOLIER - 99
- MONTERREY MEXICAN REST. - 99
- MICHAEL'S OF ATHENS - 98
- MING DYNASTY - 98
- YAMATO JAPANESE STEAKHOUSE - 98
- DON ARMANDO'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT - 98
- WAFFLE HOUSE - 98
- ZAXBY'S - 98
- WESTERN SIZZLIN' - 98
- COOK OUT - 98
- OPEN DOOR CAFÉ - 98
- CHINA WOK - 97
- DAIRY QUEEN - 97
- CRACKER BARREL - 96
- MEXI-WING, N. WHITE ST - 96
- LAS MARIAS - 95
- TOSCANO ITALIAN GRILL - 95
- KIBO JAPANESE KITCHEN - 94

TODAY IN HISTORY—JANUARY 15th

- 1892** - James A. Naismith, the inventor of basketball, published his original 13 rules for the game in the YMCA Training School newspaper in Springfield, Massachusetts.
- 1929** - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was born in Atlanta.
- 1936** - The first all glass, windowless building was completed in Toledo, Ohio as the home of the Owens-Illinois Glass Company Laboratory.
- 1943** - The world's largest office building was completed, just outside of Washington, DC, in Arlington, Virginia, known as the Pentagon, the headquarters of the United States defense department.
- 1967** - The Green Bay Packers of the National Football League defeated the Kansas City Chiefs of the American Football League 35-10 in the first Super Bowl.
- 2001** - Wikipedia, a web-based encyclopedia was launched by Jimmy Wales and Larry Sanger.
- 2009** - US Airways Capt Chelsey Sullenberger guided a jetliner disabled by a bird strike just after takeoff from New York's LaGuardia Airport, to a safe landing in the Hudson River. All 155 people aboard survived.

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