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Friday, July 26, 2019

Athens, Tennessee

## State & Area News

### ◆ TEENAGER DROWNS IN OCOEE ACCIDENT

The teenage girl who fell off a raft during a whitewater rafting trip down the Ocoee River in Polk County has died. Yarienny Hernandez, 15, was rafting with a church group from Florida this past Sunday. She fell off the raft and her ankle got wrapped up by a rescue rope, pulling her under water. The family decided to take her off life support this week.

### ◆ ETOWAH SCHOOL MOURNS LOSS OF STUDENT

The Etowah City School staff and students are mourning the loss of one of their own after she died tragically in a jet ski accident last week. Brianna Webb, 12, died while on a family vacation in Pensacola, Florida. She was a cheerleader and basketball player and would have been in the 7th grade this upcoming school year. Her teachers are putting together a video montage of memories from students and staff members. No date has been set for the funeral, but it will be held at Serenity Funeral Home. A GoFundMe page has been established for the family.

### ◆ NURSING AIDES FIRED IN ETOWAH

Two nursing aides at Etowah Health Care Center say they were fired for a social media post joking about the elderly. Cassie Moses and Symara Rakestraw were fired after posting a photo saying, "Felt cute...might drop your grandma later." The photo showed Rakestraw sitting in a special lift designed for the elderly and Moses was seen smiling in the front.

## TWU Student Donates Organs

Lane Lusk, one of the two Tennessee Wesleyan University students critically injured in a traffic accident last Friday in Charleston, South Carolina, has died. Lane was being kept alive with a ventilator until his organs could be harvested. He underwent lengthy surgery Thursday afternoon to have his organs removed. According to a Facebook post from his mother, his heart will be going to a recipient in Tennessee and other organs will go to patients in South Carolina and Florida. Lane was from Knoxville. Meantime, the other TWU student who was injured, Kyle Blassingame of Athens, continues to improve. The Athens Movie Palace will host a blood drive with Medic Regional Blood Center on August 7th. \$15 per donor will be credited to Kyle for blood-related medical expenses.

### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

✓ The Athens Parks Department says anyone interested in having a brick placed in the Veterans Park walkway in honor or memory of a veteran must place their order by 4:30 p.m. on August 9th to be included in the November 30th ceremony. Veterans Park walkway bricks are \$50 each and replica bricks are available for \$20 each. For information, call 744-2704.

✓ The Ascension Life Band and Drakeford are the musicians who will be performing this Saturday night at 7 at Sounds of Summer at the Market Park Pavilion in Downtown Athens.

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**Friday** - Partly sunny; beautiful. High 86.  
**Friday Night** - Partly cloudy. Low 65.  
**Saturday** - Sunshine & Patchy clouds. High 87.  
**Saturday Night** - Mainly clear. Low 67.  
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### Obituaries

- ♦ **Peggy Imogene Humphreys**, age 82, of McMinn County, died Monday at Starr Regional Health & Rehab in Etowah. She worked for many years as an occupational health nurse at White Westinghouse. In honor of her wishes, there will be no public services at this time. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.
- ♦ **Gilbert George "Gibby" Barber**, age 77, of Kingston, died Wednesday at his home. A memorial service will be held later. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.
- ♦ **Mildred L. Roberts Richey**, of Englewood, died Thursday. Arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah.

**THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT:** U.S. stocks were lower, as all sectors declined. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 129 points or 0.5% to 27,141. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 16 points or 0.5% to 3,004, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 83 points or 1.0% to 8,239.

### MORE CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

- Mars Hill Church will be offering Griefshare each Sunday at 2 p.m. All are welcome. For information, call Dick Pelley at 829-5052.
- Boyd Memorial First Church of God will have a homecoming service on August 4th at 10 a.m. with a fellowship meal following. Mitchell Bradley will be preaching.

### Church News & Events

- The Athens Church of the Nazarene will have Vacation Bible School Saturday, July 27th, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for children and adults. Lunch is included. The church is located at 1908 West Madison Avenue.
  - Cooke Ministry at 714 Walter Street in Athens will have a 10th Anniversary Singing tonight at 7. The Mitchells will be singing. Everyone is welcome.
  - There will be a Gospel Benefit Singing and Auction for the Rodney Cross family tomorrow, July 27th, at 2 p.m. at Prospect Elementary School. Recognized Southern Gospel and Double Cross Bluegrass will be the singers.
  - Wesleyanna UMC will have its homecoming service this Sunday at 10 a.m. A fellowship meal will follow the service. They will be welcoming their new pastor, Brad Brown.
  - Overcoming Faith Christian Center will give away back packs filled with school supplies Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at Market Park Pavilion. There will also be vendors, fun, and food. Everyone is invited.
  - Genesis Baptist Church at 111 Elizabeth St. will give away free school supplies on their parking lot on Saturday, July 27th from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
  - The Etowah Christian Ministerial Association and several local churches will host a "Back to School Backpack Bash" at the L&N Depot on Saturday, July 27th, from 10 a.m. to noon.
- ← More church news & events.

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