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Today's News...This Morning

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Friday, November 22, 2019

Athens, Tennessee

Local & Area News

◆ GUN HUNTING SEASON FOR DEER TO OPEN

Tennessee's statewide gun hunting season for deer opens this Saturday. During gun season, hunters may also use muzzleloaders or archery equipment.

♦ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ Dominion Senior Living's 2nd Annual Festival of Trees will be tonight from 6 to 8, with food, music, and private tours. There will be a silent auction for decorated trees, wreathes, and garland from 7 to 8 p.m. Proceeds benefit United Way of McMinn and Meigs Counties.
- ✓ The Southeast Tennessee Human Resource Agency will be distributing USDA commodities to eligible Meigs County residents on Wednesday, December 4th, starting at 8 a.m. Distribution will be at the SETHRA office in Decatur. You must have a sheet in order to receive commodities that day.
- ✓ The Athens Optimist Club's annual Distinguished Young Women program will be Saturday night at 6 at the Athens City Middle School. Twenty-four young women will be competing in this year's event.

FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS CONTINUE TONIGHT

The Meigs County Tigers host Oneida in round 3 of the Class 2A playoffs tonight. Kickoff is at 7 p.m. You can hear the Meigs County game live on WYXI Radio, FM-94.5, or ONLINE starting at 6:30 p.m.

More Local & Area News

♦ WIELZEN SENTENCED TO LIFE WITHOUT PAROLE

Joseph Wielzen, who was found guilty of first degree murder, first degree premeditated murder, and aggravated rape has been sentenced to life without parole for the rape and murder of Kelsey Burnette in 2017. The jury deliberated for just over an hour Wednesday before returning with the unanimous guilty verdicts. He was charged with raping and murdering 17-year-old Kelsey Burnette of Etowah in 2017. Kelsey's mother, Virginia, says she is just pleased that it's finally over.

◆ TWENTY-THREE HURT IN BUS WRECK

The Bradley County Emergency Management Agency says 23 school children and staff from Whitfield County, Ga., were taken to hospitals after one school bus rear-ended another. The students were on a field trip when the wreck happened Thursday morning.

♦ TVA HIT WITH \$145,000 FINE

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has proposed a \$145,000 fine against TVA for submitting what it calls "incomplete and inaccurate information at the Watts Bar Nuclear Plant. Regulators say TVA inaccurately reported that two transformers could be counted on as sources of off-site power. An inspection found the transformers lacked adequate capacity to power safety equipment in some accident scenarios. The report notes the violation did not result in any negative consequences. TVA has admitted to the violation but can contest the penalty.

RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT



Friday: Baked Chicken, Hamburger Steak, Fried Fish, Cheesy Grits, Pintos, Cabbage, Okra.

DAILY: M. Potatoes, Green Beans, Tossed, Cucumber or Pasta Salads, Cole Slaw, Fruit, Cottage Cheese, Applesauce, Beets. Meat & 2, \$7.99; Meat & 3, \$8.99.



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November 18—25, 2019
Monday—Friday 5:30—7:30 pm
Saturday 9—11 am; Sunday 2-4 pm
Monday (Last day) 9—11 am

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Obituaries

• Helen (Hulse) Powell, age 92, of Athens, died November 19th. A memorial service will be held on Sunday at 11 a.m. at the Union Chapel UMC at 841 County Road 730 in Athens. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.

◆ RIBBON CUT FOR ATHENS GRIEF & WELLNESS CENTER

A ribbon cutting was celebrated recently for new Athens Area Chamber of Commerce member, Athens Grief & Wellness Center, located at 130 E. Washington Ave. Suite 9, Athens. Chamber friends joining the celebration and pictured here left to right: Haley Duncan (Chamber Diplomat/Life Care Center of Athens), Ashley Espey (Athens grief & Wellness Center), Deanna Sheffey (Athens Grief & Wellness Center), Carolyn Hobbs (Athens Grief & Wellness Center), Lisa Harrison (Chamber Diplomat/Guardian Home Care) Back: Lisa Dotson (Main Street Athens), Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Luke Shepherd (Chamber Diplomat/Companion Funeral & Cremation Service) Tonya Hipps (Athens Chamber)



Church News & Events

- Cedar Springs United Methodist Church at 1326 County Road 700 will have a Breakfast/Bake/Yard Sale Saturday from 7 a.m. to 12 noon., with breakfast, baked goods, crafts, & yard sale items.
- First Baptist Church of Athens will be giving away free hot chocolate on Saturday, November 30th, during the Old Fashioned Downtown Christmas in Athens. They will also be reading the Christmas story each 15 minutes during the afternoon.
- Celebrate Recovery meets every Sunday at 6 p.m. at the Englewood Church of God. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Star Pickett at 506-4851.
- If you have filled a shoebox for Samaritan's Purse, you can drop it off at Union McMinn Baptist Church on County Road 316 between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. today, from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday, and Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. (See ad above for more details)
- Pianist Gordon Mote will appear live in concert at North Etowah Baptist Church at 6 p.m. on December 1st. Mote is a regular on the Gaither Homecoming videos. The concert will feature Gospel songs and Christmas favorites. Admission is free, but a love offering will be received.
- The Tennessee Wesleyan University music department will present the Annual Lessons and Carols Service on Tuesday, December 3rd, at 7 p.m., at Allen Memorial United Methodist Church. The event features the TWU Concert Choir and Chorale and the TWU Concert Band.



