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Today's News...This Morning

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Wednesday, November 27, 2019

Athens, Tennessee

Come to Christmas Downtown

"Past, Present & Future," a Bicentennial Christmas, will be celebrated in Downtown Athens this coming Saturday, November 30th. Shops will open at 10 a.m. and there will be exhibits and activities at the Living Heritage Museum and The Arts Center. At 12 noon, streets will be closed so vendors and food trucks can set up.

Old Fashioned Downtown Christmas activities will take place from 2 to 9 p.m., with Food Trucks and vendors, dancers, Christmas Carol cast members in costume, the reading of the Christmas Story every 15 minutes by members of Athens First Baptist Church, free hot chocolate, and more.

Streets will re-open for the Christmas parade from 5 to 6 p.m., and will close again after the parade for more activities including the Bicentennial Birthday Celebration at 7 p.m. at the McMinn County Courthouse and the lighting of the Athens Christmas Tree in the Market Park Pavilion area at 8 p.m.

Other activities include photos with Santa, train rides, ice skating at Market Park Pavilion, and the UT-Vanderbilt game on a big screen TV at Newman's building, at Jackson & Madison Ave.

Start your Christmas season with... Gordon Mode Live in Concert

Featuring Gospel Songs & Christmas Favorites FREE Admission, Love offering will be received

North Etowah Baptist Church

231 Pennsylvania Ave.

December 1st 6pm

Click HERE for info.

Another Joe Guy History Moment

In the year 1170, a ship named the Gwenan Gorn left the coast of Wales, with a group of Welsh adventurers commanded by a Welsh Prince, Madoc ap-Owain Gwynedd. Claiming to be bound for a land west over the ocean, the ship was never heard from again.

But the legend of Madoc and his Welshmen lives on in stories told 700 years later, when light-skinned, blue-eyed Cherokee were encountered by early traders. And even by the Cherokee themselves, who claimed their grandfathers had passed down stories of ancient white men, who had landed in a boat on the Alabama Coast and had made their way into the Cherokee lands. It was said that such a group of white people lived long ago on Conasauga Creek, and that old stone works in Georgia and Tennessee were built by them. Even some Welsh and Cherokee words, such as wayah and Waylon, both meaning wolf, lead historians to give some suspicion that Madoc's people survived their journey to America 400 years before Columbus. The Madoc legend lives on, and McMinn County may have been one of the homes of these early mysterious Europeans.

(Joe Guy is the McMinn County Historian. He originally prepared these History Moments for broadcast on WYXI Radio. They are currently aired several times each day on FM 94.5 and AM 1390)

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RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT



711 S. White St., Athens 423-252-0900, or for more info.

Wednesday: Turkey, Hamburger Steak, Chicken & Dumplings, Dressing, Yams, Corn Nuggets, Carrots. DAILY: M. Potatoes, Green Beans, Tossed, Pasta or Cucumber Salads, Cole Slaw, Cottage Cheese, Fruit, Beets, Meat & 2, \$7,99; Meat & 3, \$8.99. Closed Thursday & Friday for Thanksgiving.



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◆WEDNESDAY - Etowah-10:30-1 ◆SATURDAY - Athens - Hometown Christmas @ Ag Central Co-Op 10 - 2

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WEATHER FORECAST

Wednesday - Passing morning showers then mostly cloudy. High 67.

Wednesday night - Mostly clear. Low 35.

Thursday - Increasing clouds & cooler. High 53.

Friday - Cloudy. High 56. More Weather at: wyxi.com

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COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL. Submit applications to City Hall by December 6th to qualify. Judging begins at dusk on December 11th.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7th 6pm-8pm L&N Depot, 727 Tennessee Avenue

FREE Event hosted by the City of Etowah!!

Tree lighting Gift bags Crafts Visit with Santa Hot Chocolate

cityofetowahtn.com 423-263-2202





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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

- Ronald "Ron" Ray Rankin, age 73, of Athens, died Monday at his residence. He retired as an over the road truck driver. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Saturday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday at Ziegler.
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 Corrine Geraldine Moore Ensley, age 68, of Athens, died Sunday at Starr Regional Medical Center. The family will receive friends from 1-2 p.m. Friday at Ziegler Funeral Home. A private burial will be held later in Oak Grove Cemetery in Rockwood.

COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ AUB says the residential power rate for December will rise slightly as winter rates take effect.
- ✓ An art exhibit featuring works by William Neal McPheeters is currently being showcased at the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum.
- ✓ The Cultural Outreach Club of Central High School will be hosting their annual Christmas Express on December 7th at the Etowah Community Center from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event will feature more than 20 vendors, door prizes, and a canned food drive. You are encouraged to bring a nonperishable food item to donate to help the community as well.
- ✓ The guest on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be Cryslynne Wyrick, a student at Women at the Well. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390, FM-94.5 or ONLINE

Full Steam Ahead!

The Etowah Historical Commission recently treated 8th graders from Etowah City School and Mountain View School to a free excursion on the Old Line Railroad. Rep. Mark Cochran and Etowah Mayor Burke Garwood assisted as car hosts. Cochran offered an overview of McMinn County's Bicentennial. Retired CSX Conductor, Harvey Blassingame, provided historical information about the Old Line. (Photo by Linda Caldwell)





