

**15th Annual  
Etowah Community  
Christmas Concert**  
Tuesday, Dec. 17th 7 pm  
1st Baptist Church Etowah  
Featuring:  
Etowah Town Band; Central Harmony  
Chorus; Keyboards at Christmas  
**FREE ADMISSION**  
Bring non-perishable food items for  
Etowah Cooperative Food Pantry.

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## Today's News... This Morning



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Tuesday, December 17, 2019

Athens, Tennessee

### Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Athens Utilities Board announces that the New Year will come in with nearly flat, but slightly higher, power rates than 2019 closed out due to higher TVA fuel charges. The residential power rate for AUB customers in January will be \$0.09051 per kilowatt hour compared to December's rate of \$0.08962.
- ✓ The Athens City Council holds its monthly meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday. Among other issues, the council is expected to vote on funding the Athens City Schools consolidation project. The public is invited to attend the meeting.
- ✓ The McMinn County Radio Control Association donated \$1,350 to the Etowah Christmas Project. The photo from Bob Miller shows Association President Charlie Musgrove presenting the check to the Christmas Project Chairman Wes Atwell. Pictured, L-R: Captain Derek Ingram & Christian Spurgeon of the Etowah Fire Department, Association members Bob Miller, Brad Lane, Don Morelan, David Mason, James Morelan, Wes Atwell with the Etowah Police Department and Chairman of the ECP, Musgrove, and Etowah Police Detective Jim Shaw.



### Light Up Etowah Winners

The winners of the 2nd Annual Light Up Etowah contest have been announced. Both commercial and residential owners were invited to participate in the competition. The first place winner in the Commercial category was Interiors by Design. The top photo shows: (L-R) Brooke Moses, Chanel Groomes (Owner) Leah Tavernese and Jon Troutt, the Etowah building Inspector and Codes Enforcement Officer. The 2nd place winner was Becky's Diner. In the bottom photo: (L-R) Leah Tavernese, Rebecca Shaw (Owner), Jon Troutt, and Brooke Moses.



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**WEATHER FORECAST**  
**Tuesday:** Mostly cloudy. Possible rain. High 58.  
**Tue Night:** Partly cloudy and much cooler. Low 27.  
**Wednesday:** Sunny and chilly. High 45.  
**Wed Night:** Clear. Low 25.  
**Thursday:** Plenty of sunshine. High 47.  
More Weather at: [wxyi.com](http://wxyi.com)

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## Obituaries

- ✓ **Charles G. "Charlie" Smith, Sr.**, age 90, died Sunday at his home. He conducted weekly Bible studies at Etowah Healthcare and Starr Regional Health and Rehabilitation. Funeral services will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17th, at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation 4 to 7 p.m.
- ✓ **Nathaniel Reed Crye**, age 30, of Etowah, died Wednesday, Dec. 11th. He worked at Waupaca. Funeral services will at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation beginning at 5 p.m.
- ✓ **Anna Mae Humphreys Derrick**, age 93, of Athens, died Monday at Willow Acres in Riceville. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral and Cremation Services.
- ✓ **Raymond Charles Latham**, age 79, of Athens, died Sunday at Life Care Center of Athens. He was an avid golfer and local businessman. There will be no formal visitation and the family will hold a private "Going Home Celebration" at a later date at McMinn Memory Gardens. Smith Funeral and Cremation Services is in charge of the arrangements.

◆ **NO TEXTING SIGN BORROWS FROM MOVIE**  
The Tennessee Department of Transportation is reminding drivers not to text and drive with an overhead sign message making reference to the beloved Cousin Eddie from the Christmas hit movie *National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation*. Here's a TDOT photo.



## Another Joe Guy History Minute

The most well-known of all historic Cherokee, the Beloved Woman, Nancy Ward, was part of early Tennessee History, and today rests in her grave at Woman Killer Ford on the banks of the Ocoee River in Polk County. But prior to moving to her last home, Nancy is believed to have lived for a short time in McMinn County on Mouse Creek.

A deed search of the old Cleage property and house that still stands on Highway 11 between Athens and Niota has revealed its original owners were the McIntoshes, a mixed blood Cherokee family who was awarded 640 acres there in 1817. History also tells us that, as an aged woman, Nancy Ward lived with the McIntosh's as they were close kin to her. She was later recorded as saying she became tired of the constant fighting among the family, likely over the looming question of Indian Removal to the west, which caused her to move to her son 5 Killer's home on the Ocoee to end her days in peace.

Although it was likely only a few years near the end of her life, McMinn County is proud to claim Nancy Ward as a past resident.

(These McMinn County History Minutes were prepared by Joe Guy, McMinn County Sheriff and the official McMinn County Historian. He also recorded these and they can be heard once or twice daily on WYXI Radio, FM 94.5 and AM-1390).

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