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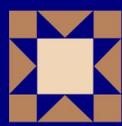
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Today's News... This Morning

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Living Heritage

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Thursday, July 15, 2021

Athens, Tennessee

Possible Abduction Attempt

Athens police are investigating a possible abduction attempt in the parking lot of Food City. A juvenile female told officers that a male tried to grab her by the arm. The young lady said she was at Food City around 8:45 a.m. this past Monday and noticed a man that appeared to be following her around the store. When she left the store, he followed her into the parking lot. Although the man spoke to her, she said she could not understand what he was saying. She said he grabbed her by the arm, but she pulled away, got into her car, and left the area. The individual in question is shown in the photo. He is believed to be driving a white, box-shaped cargo-type van. Officers ask anyone who may be able to identify the man to please contact McMinn County Dispatch at 745-7698.



Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Tennessee Valley Federal Credit Union will host its 4th Annual Community Movie Night on Thursday, July 22nd, at the Movie Palace. The movie will be "The Boss Baby: Family Business." Anyone in the community can purchase \$1 tickets to the movie which includes a small popcorn. Tickets will only be sold at the Athens Branch, 1314 Decatur Pike, and the Etowah Branch located inside the Etowah Food City. All proceeds will benefit Junior Achievement of the Ocoee Region and will help provide financial literacy education in McMinn County Schools. (See Ad on page 2)
- ✓ Starr Regional Medical Center will give free athletic physicals at McMinn County High School starting at 5 p.m. today. Physicals will be given to MCHS & Athens Middle School athletes at 5 p.m., to McMinn Central & middle school athletes at 6:30, and to Meigs Co. High School & middle school athletes at 7:15.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Wednesday 7-14

Tennessee: 872,362 cases up 816 12,625 deaths up 9.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	6,690 up 6	19	104
Meigs	1,435 up 3	6	24
Monroe	6,007 up 6	14	97
Polk	2,117	5	24
Bradley	15,365 up 7	43	155
Rhea	4,398 up 3	10	82

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

♦ **Walter “Troy” Bingham**, age 52, died July 9th. He played football, baseball, and wrestled for Bradley Central High School and was honored for running the 1984 Olympic Torch Relay. The family will receive friends Thursday from 1 to 3 p.m. at Companion Funeral Home of Athens, with a funeral service to follow at 3.

♦ **John R. “Jack” Sloan**, age 90, of Sweetwater, died Saturday at his home. He excelled as a welder fabricator and was a van driver for the elderly while living in New Mexico. No formal services are planned at this time. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.

WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. equities rose modestly. Technology stocks got a boost with news that Apple seeks up to a 20% increase in new iPhone production in 2021. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 44.44 to 34,933.23. The S&P 500 was up 5.09 to 4,374.30, and the NASDAQ was down 32.70 to 14,644.95.

WOBBLING MOON MAY CAUSE FLOODING

NASA says a wobbling moon may cause a “dramatic” surge in high-tide flooding in just over a decade. The rapid increase will start in the mid-2030's when a lunar cycle will amplify rising sea levels. This 18.6-year cycle of the moon is caused by a “wobble” in the moon's orbit. The wobble isn't new. It was first reported in 1728. The wobble affects the moon's gravitational pull, which is the main cause of the the ocean tides on Earth.

Leadership McMinn Graduation

The Leadership McMinn Class of 2021 recently celebrated its graduation with a trip to the McMinn County Airport. The class is shown here, front row from left: Katherine Davis (TWU), Christina Jaeger (DPA), Traci White (CapStar Bank), Tiffany Wilson (BECU), Heather Bateman (CASA), Sharon Webb (TCAT), Julie Simbeck (Athens Chamber), Adrian Lambert (Tennessee Overhill), Jason Watson (Mills Products), Amy McDonald (AUB), Brandi Armstrong (Starr Regional), Karmen Miller (Miller Excavating), Madison Johnson (CASA). Back row, Rob Preston (Athens Chamber), Walter Alexander (Trinity Grace Church), Matthew Holden (BECU), Chris Ryan (Redemption to the Nations Church), Timothy Tatum (Direct Primary Care), Doug Bailey (McMinn Sheriff's Dept), Holly Riley (Simmons Bank), Mark Reedy (Keith Methodist), Kimberly Anderson (E.D.A.), Becky Wattenbarger (Leadership McMinn Chairman)



MOVIE NIGHT

Thursday, July 22 | Movie to Start at 6:30 p.m.
Movie Palace | 1436 Decatur Pike | Athens

Join TVFCU for the Fourth Annual
Community Movie Night!

“The Boss Baby: Family Business” (PG)
\$1 Ticket Includes Popcorn
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For questions, call (423) 634-5650.
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