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## City of Athens Scavenger Hunt



The City of Athens has announced its inaugural Scavenger Hunt, an exciting self-guided adventure for friends, families, and individuals looking for fun right in their own backyard.

Participants in the Athens Scavenger Hunt will follow clues scattered throughout the city, leading them to discover hidden gems and local favorites in Athens. This family-friendly event is an excellent opportunity for community members of all ages to engage with their city in a playful and challenging way.

The scavenger hunt is not only a way to learn about the city but also a chance to foster community connections and create lasting memories. Participants are encouraged to take photos at each location and tag photos on social media with #FriendlyCityFun. For more information, please contact the "Visit Athens" office at (423) 744-2798, or email: [hello@visitathensn.com](mailto:hello@visitathensn.com)

## Community News You Can Use

- There is a Bingo Night taking place at the Tranquility Community Center, 218 County Road 218 off of Highway 305. It will be from 6 pm - 8 pm, tomorrow, Saturday, May 11. The cost per Bingo Card is \$5 each and all proceeds will go to benefit needed improvements at the community center. All are welcome.
- The newly-established College of Arts and Sciences at Tennessee Wesleyan University will be named in honor of esteemed supporter and alumnus the Honorable Carl E. Collops following a \$2.5M charitable commitment announced publicly at the University's one hundred sixty-seventh commencement exercises on Saturday.
- On Monday, May 13th, the City of Niota will be hosting Lunch with the Mayor, Lois Preece and your neighbors at 12:00 at the picnic tables by the stage on Main St. in Niota. Bring your lunch and join them! *Continued on Pg. 2*

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## Obituaries

**Monica Clarkson**, age 48, passed away Sunday, April 28, at Park West Medical Center. Monica enjoyed spending time thumbing through magazines, as well as watching cartoons and listening to Lady Gaga. She loved all things Harley Davidson. She will be dearly missed by her family. There will be no formal services for Monica. Good Samaritan Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

## Community News You Can Use

[Studio 3:16 Community Art Space](#) is hosting a [Mother's Day Special Painting class!](#) A seat is \$35 and get mom's free! (Open to any mother figure regardless of relation). It's an 11x14" canvas with decoupage newsprint/paper (you may choose to bring your own paper or use theirs) Add a birdhouse painting with customizable colors. All instruction and materials included and it's beginner friendly. The studio is located at 316 N. White Street in Athens with limited seats available. Don't wait and click [HERE](#) to secure your spot!

## TBI Investigation in Knox County

TBI agents are investigating an officer-involved shooting in Knox County, prompted by a report of a man threatening self-harm at Clayton Park. Deputies from the Knox County Sheriff's Office encountered the armed man around 5:00 p.m., resulting in shots fired and the man being hospitalized. No deputies were harmed. TBI agents are working to independently determine the series of events leading to the shooting, including collecting evidence and conducting interviews. Throughout the process, investigative findings will be shared with the District Attorney General for her further review and consideration. The TBI acts solely as fact-finders in its cases and does not determine whether the actions of an officer were justified in these types of matters. That decision rests with the District Attorney General requesting TBI's involvement. Officer identities are not disclosed by the TBI. Updates on the investigation can be found on [TBInewsroom.com](http://TBInewsroom.com).

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## Three People Indicted In Johnson City Man's Death

Three individuals have been indicted in connection with the overdose death of Alexander Jordan Payne, who was found dead in his home in Johnson City due to fentanyl and cocaine intoxication. The investigation, conducted by the Johnson City Police Department and the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation - Drug Related Death Task Force, identified Samantha Robinson, Lavonti Montego Jeter, and Macala Lynn Wheeler as involved in distributing the drugs that led to Payne's death. On May 1st, the Washington County Grand Jury returned indictments charging Robinson, Jeter, and Wheeler each with one count of Second Degree Murder, one count of Sale of Fentanyl, and one count of Conspiracy to Sell/Deliver Fentanyl. All three were arrested and booked into the Washington County Jail on a \$50,000 bond. The investigation was part of the efforts of the TBI Upper East Drug Related Death Task Force, a collaboration with various law enforcement agencies and drug awareness/rehabilitation organizations, aimed at prosecuting drug sources and trafficking organizations to prevent drug-related deaths.

## Today in History (May 10)

**1838** - John Wilkes Booth, the man who assassinated President Abraham Lincoln, was born.

**1865** - Confederate President Jefferson Davis was captured by Union troops near Irwinville, Georgia. He spent the next two years in prison.

**1869** - The "golden spike" was driven at Promontory Point, Utah, connecting the Union Pacific and the Central Pacific rail lines to form America's first trans-continental railroad.

**1933** - The Nazis staged massive public book burnings in Germany.

**2016** - NASA announced that it's Kepler mission had verified 1,284 new planets. This was the single largest finding of planets to date.

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**Fri night** - Mostly Clear, Low 50.

**Sat** - Sunny, High 73.

**Sat. Night** - Clear, low 52.

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## Church News and Events

- Niota United Methodist Church will host a free all-day summer camp from July 22 - 26 for kids ages 5 - 14. Camp includes breakfast and lunch! Camp is free but space is limited. For more information or to sign up, visit [www.campinthecommunity.org/host/niota](http://www.campinthecommunity.org/host/niota)
- 3 Play is in Concert this Sunday, May 12 beginning at 6:30 pm at Highway to Heaven Church located at 1413 Knoxville Ave. in Athens.
- Planted In Christ Outreach Fellowship, 317 Maple Street, in Athens, invites you to attend Outreach Deliverance Classes every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
- Celebrate Recovery meets at the following churches: The Englewood Church of God every Sunday at 6 p.m. and Woodward Avenue Church of God every Tuesday at 6 p.m.



## Ingleside Pool Opening Soon

The City of Athens Parks and Recreation Department announces the Ingleside Pool will open on Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> 2024. The hours of operation are Monday-Saturday 11:00am-2:00pm and 3:00-5:00pm. There is an hour break for facility maintenance/staff change between 2:00pm and 3:00pm. Sunday hours are 2:00pm-5:00pm.

Beginning on opening day, the entry fees will be as follows:  
Child/Senior daily passes \$4.00,  
Adult daily passes \$5.00,  
7-use passes \$30.00,  
Child/Senior season passes \$80.00,  
Adult season passes \$90.00,  
Family season passes will \$200.00.

Rates for renting the pool for parties will be \$40 per hour. Beginning with the 2024 season, all pool patrons will receive a wristband that allows them to come and go throughout the pool's operating hours that day. They will not have to pay a second time after the staff change at 2:00pm. 7-day and season passes can be purchased online by visiting [www.athenstn.gov](http://www.athenstn.gov), over the phone by calling the Parks and Recreation office at 423-744-2704, or in person at 815 N. Jackson St. The physical passes can be picked up the following business day at the Ingleside Pool at 615 Forrest Ave. For more information, please contact the Parks and Rec office at (423) 744-2704.

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