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## Charleston Dog Park Grand Opening



The City of Charleston will be hosting a Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting event for the newly constructed Charleston Dog Park located at 126 Worth Street Northeast in Charleston on Saturday, June 15th, 2024 beginning at 12PM.

The new Charleston Dog Park features two separate fenced in areas, one for small dogs 35 pounds or less, and one for dogs larger than 35 pounds. For the convenience and comfort of pet owners utilizing the park facilities, the park features gazebos with picnic tables and water fountains with separate water spouts for pet owner and pet use. Dog agility equipment and toys have also been made available for public use.

In addition to the ribbon cutting ceremony, the following vendors and agencies will be present offering services, pet-related gift items, animals for adoption, micro chipping and vaccination, and more:

- Ark of Cleveland Animal Shelter
  - Island Creek Pet Rescue
  - Bradley County SPCA
  - Ryan and Ellie's Homemade Pet Treats
  - Puncher's Chance Rescue
- Pet owners must comply with Tennessee's public space pet laws and are responsible for their pets' behavior.

For more information, visit [charlestoncitytn.com](http://charlestoncitytn.com), their Facebook page [HERE](#), or call (423) 336-1483.

## Community News You Can Use

- Athens City Schools will have free meals now through July 19th Monday - Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Athens City Middle School located at 200 Keith Lane. Meals are Free to any child 18 or younger. They're provided by the USDA and Athens City Schools.
- [Studio 3:16 Community Art Space](#) (316 N. White St, Athens) is hosting Fun Art Friday "[Camp Under the Stars](#)" this Friday, June, 14 at 5:30 pm. All Supplies are included and seats are \$25. Come enjoy some relaxing time to create a beautiful work of art! Enjoy the complementary coffee and tea bar, or bring your own snacks and non-alcoholic beverages! There will be a door prize entry for every attendee. Click [HERE](#) to reserve your seat and visit the first Community Art Space in Athens!

◆ The guest this week on "Hope From the Well" will be **Robin Nation & Julie Tillis** discussing "Wonderfully Made Well". "Hope From the Well" is heard each Thursday morning at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5.

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## Obituaries

**Lecia Mae Hedden Colley**, 86, of Reliance, passed away on June 10, 2024, surrounded by her beloved family at the family residence. She was born in Coker Creek, Tennessee. Throughout life, Lecia loved the Lord with all her heart, and always would spread the love of God to every person that she encountered. She was the founder of Women of Righteous Destination, Lost Creek House of Prayer, and her radio ministry, "Biblical Truths with Lecia Colley." Ms. Colley also sang with the Calvary Singers and was a faithful, caring, and devout mother to her children. A Celebration of Life service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 13, at Lost Creek House of Prayer. Interment will follow at the Stiles-Colley Family Cemetery in Reliance. Family and friends will gather from 12:00 p.m. (noon) to 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, prior to the service at the church. Higgins Funeral Home of Benton is in charge of arrangements.

## Weekend Bear Sighting in Athens

On both Thursday and Friday night around County Road 187 in Athens, another bear was spotted in The Friendly City. This marks the second bear sighting in as many weeks to be caught on camera. This black bear was apparently looking for food, so residents in the surrounding area are asked to remain alert and maintain distance if they notice a bear on their property. Stay inside and alert authorities if you see it. *Photo Courtesy of Kimberly Bohannon*

## State Gas Prices Continue Downward Trend

	Monday	Sunday	Week Ago	Month Ago	One Year Ago
Tennessee	\$3.026	\$3.034	\$3.080	\$3.265	\$3.151
Chattanooga	\$2.880	\$2.903	\$2.900	\$3.207	\$3.093
Knoxville	\$3.029	\$3.037	\$3.095	\$3.273	\$3.143
Memphis	\$3.066	\$3.062	\$3.121	\$3.250	\$3.156
Nashville	\$3.045	\$3.059	\$3.099	\$3.302	\$3.202

Gas prices in Tennessee dropped by six cents over the past week, averaging \$3.02 per gallon, which is 24 cents less than a month ago and 13 cents less than a year ago. Nationally, gas prices fell by nine cents to \$3.44, marking the largest weekly drop of the year. The national average is 19 cents lower than a month ago and 14 cents lower than a year ago.

WTI crude oil prices rose by 82 cents to \$74.07 per barrel at the close of Wednesday's trading session, down from \$77.91 the previous Thursday. The EIA reports a 1.2 million barrel increase in crude oil inventories, totaling 455.9 million barrels, which is about 4% below the five-year average for this time of year.



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## UT Baseball Heads to College World Series



For the seventh time in program history and the third time in four years, the No. 1 seed UT Volunteers are heading to Omaha, Nebraska for the Men's College World Series. The top-ranked Vols secured their spot by defeating Evansville 12-1 in the decisive game three of the Knoxville Super Regional. This marks Tennessee's first consecutive trips to the College World Series.

Senior pitcher Zander Sechrist delivered a standout performance, allowing just one unearned run over 6.1 innings and striking out six batters. The Vols' offense was dominant, tying a program record with seven home runs. Christian Moore and Dalton Bargo led the charge with two home runs each. Moore also scored three runs and hit his 32nd homer of the season. Blake Burke set a career-high with four hits, including three doubles. Other contributors to the home run tally were Billy Amick, Dean Curley, and Cal Stark. Tennessee's bullpen was effective, allowing no hits over the final 2.2 innings.

For Evansville, Cal McGinnis and Ty Rumsey each had two hits, while Brett Widder drove in their only run. Starting pitcher Kevin Reed lasted just 1.1 innings, conceding five runs on four hits and two walks.

Next, Tennessee (55-12) will face No. 8 national seed Florida State (47-15) in their opening game at the College World Series, with the game scheduled for Friday, June 14 at 6 pm, airing live on ESPN.

## What Day is It?

### TODAY IN HISTORY—June 12

- 1776** - Virginia's colonial legislature became the first to adopt a Bill of Rights.
- 1963** - Civil rights activist Medgar Evers was fatally shot in front of his home in Jackson, Miss.
- 1967** - In *Loving v. Virginia* the U.S. Supreme Court unanimously struck down a state law that banned interracial marriage, ruling that it was unconstitutional under the equal protection and due process clauses of the Fourteenth Amendment.
- 1987** - Speaking about the Berlin Wall as he stood at the Brandenburg Gate in Berlin, U.S. President Ronald Reagan famously said to the Soviet leader, "Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall."
- 2002** - The Los Angeles Lakers won a third straight NBA title and Shaquille O'Neal was named MVP of the finals for the third straight year.

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