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UT Volunteers Win NCAA World Series



The mountain for every NCAA Men's Baseball team in the country to climb is now Rocky Top. Last night, Tennessee Baseball secured its first national championship in school history by defeating Texas A&M 6-5 in the winner-take-all game of the Men's College World Series. Christian Moore's leadoff home run in the bottom of the first inning gave Tennessee an early

lead. Despite Texas A&M's strong pitching staff, Tennessee's pitchers delivered a dominant performance throughout the game. Key plays in the seventh inning provided crucial insurance to fend off a late rally by the Aggies.


This victory also ended the "No. 1 overall seed curse," making Tennessee the first top-ranked team since Miami (FL) in 1999 to win the national championship. Tennessee, which began playing baseball in 1897, had previously reached the championship round in 1951 but lost to Oklahoma. The win also highlights the SEC's dominance, as the conference has now won five consecutive College World Series titles with five different schools since 2019.

Photo courtesy of Tennessee Baseball via X (@Vol_Baseball)

Community News You Can Use

- The new traffic signals located at the intersection of S. White Street/Highway 30 and Elizabeth Street will be switched to operational mode and pedestrian crossing equipment will be activated on Wednesday, June 26 at approximately 10:00 a.m. Be aware of these signals and be prepared to stop. Motorists are advised to use extreme caution and watch for workers, and pedestrians. For more information, please contact the Office of the Public Works Department at 423-744-2745.
- The McMinn Senior Activity Center invites the community to enjoy their summer Family Day programs every Friday at 10 am throughout June and July. All activities are free, but the Center does ask that you sign up in advance to ensure a spot. The center is located at 205 McMinn Ave., in Athens. Call them at (423) 745-6830 or visit their website mcminnseniors.com
- Due to unforeseen circumstances the Good Faith Clinic scheduled for this Tuesday, June 25 will be a REFILL and TEST RESULTS only clinic beginning at 3:00. The clinic meets on the campus of Christ Community Church at 18 S Congress Parkway in Athens.
- The McMinn County Highway Department has announced that McMinn County Road 479, Cochran Cemetery Road, will be closed on Wednesday, June 26 from 8 am - 4 pm for road construction.

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Obituaries

James (Jimmy Ed) Edward Martin, 72 of Athens, passed away on June 22nd. He was a faithful member and servant at Light of Life Faith Ministries International for over 30 years where he served as a Deacon. Visitation with family will be Saturday, June 29, 2024, at 2:00 pm at Light of Life Faith Ministries International in Athens, Tennessee, with the service to follow beginning at 2:30 pm with Dr. Harold McCowan delivering the eulogy. Services of loving memory entrusted to M.D. Dotson and Sons Funeral Home - Cleveland and Athens, Tennessee

David Lee Morgan, 79 of Athens, passed away on Saturday, June 22. David was an avid photographer and especially loved photographing nature. He enjoyed woodworking, creating all types of furniture, musical instruments, and jewelry. A memorial service will be held at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, June 27, 2024 at Bordwine Funeral Home with grandson, Ian Shaw officiating. The family will receive friends from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday prior to the service. Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.

John Robert Ivens, age 77 of Athens passed away Sunday, June 23 at his residence. He was a veteran of the US Navy, and was a former employee of Delta Airlines in the baggage department for 14 years. He was later employed in the maintenance department with the McMinn County School System. He enjoyed riding motorcycles, and spending time on his farm with his goats and horses. A Celebration of Life Service will be 6:00 p.m. Saturday, June 29 in the chapel of Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 4-6 p.m. prior to the service at the funeral home. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home in Athens is in charge of the arrangements.

We encourage you to e-mail community events, church news, or other items of interest for possible use in the Morning Fax. If you take a newsworthy photograph, send it to: wyxiradio@gmail.com

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Athens, Tennessee

Black Bear Leaps at Theme Park Worker



A black bear snuck into a concession stand at Anakeesta Mountaintop Adventure Park this past Thursday, June 24. A video filmed by Zachary Recchia shows the bear going through various food but remaining calm in the process. The bear then proceeded to exit the concession stand through the same door and happened to encounter a worker that was

entering through the same way. Both the employee and the bear were startled and the bear then proceeded to lunge at the employee and the two made "brief physical contact" as stated by Anakeesta. The bear then ran away, with the employee running into the concession stand and closing the door. The employee was not seriously injured and opted not to receive medical attention. The bear was later captured and euthanized. Watch Video [HERE](#). Video/Photo Courtesy of Zachary Recchia.

What Day is It?

TODAY IN HISTORY - June 25

1788 - The Virginia colony entered the United States of America as the tenth state.

1876 - Lt. Col. George A. Custer and his 7th Cavalry were wiped out by Sioux and Cheyenne Indians in the Battle of the Little Big Horn in Montana. The Army was attempting to round-up Indians and put them on reservations. One horse, Comanche, is said to be the sole survivor among Custer's forces.

1950 - North Korean forces invaded South Korea, starting the Korean War. After North Korea ignored a United Nations order to retreat, U.S. air and naval forces were sent to South Korea.

1903 - Author George Orwell was born. His novels included "1984" and "Animal Farm."

1951 - The first commercial color telecast took place as CBS transmitted a one-hour special from New York to four other cities. The CBS color system was not compatible with black & white TV's and was later rejected.

2009 - Michael Jackson died from an overdose of the powerful anesthetic propofol.

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