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Friday, March 27, 2020

Athens, Tennessee

## Wreck on Highway 307

One person suffered a minor injury Wednesday morning in a collision between a 2003 Ford FS2 and a 1996 Honda on Highway 307. The Athens, Niota, and Englewood rural fire departments responded. THP Officer Ben Harrison investigated.



(Photos by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department)

## Coronavirus Updates

### McMINN COUNTY HAS THIRD VIRUS CASE

The latest report from the TN Department of Health shows there are 957 cases of coronavirus across the state. McMinn County now has its third case. Bradley County has 5, Meigs County has its first case, Monroe County still has two, Hamilton County reports 28, and Davidson County is reporting 203. At this point, there have been at least three deaths from the virus in Tennessee.

✓The ladies at Women at the Well are busy making face masks. Robin Nation says they have received several orders for the masks from places like nursing homes, grocery stores, realtors, and even an organization in Knoxville that works with homeless people. Robin says they do not charge for the masks, but donations are accepted. They have rounded up four sewing machines. Robin says the ladies went online and found out how to make face masks. Some sew, others cut. Anyone willing to donate a sewing machine or some 100% cotton material can call 745-0010. (Photo from Robin Nation)



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## Obituaries

- ♦ **William Donald Barr, Jr.**, age 72, of Athens, died Tuesday at Starr Regional of Athens. A memorial service will be announced at a later date. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.
- ♦ **Zelma Beatrice McClure**, age 86, of Athens, died on March 18th. She had been employed by the Athens City Schools as a special education aide, kindergarten aide, and lunch room monitor. She was also an amateur radio operator. M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

**THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT:** Despite a record-breaking 3.3 million initial jobless claims filed by Americans last week, U.S. stocks added to the week's rebound as a \$2 trillion stimulus bill makes its way through Congress. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 1352 points or 6.4% to 22,552. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 155 points or 6.2% to 2,630, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 413 points or 5.6% to 7,798.

**HOW DO YOU KNOW IF YOU HAVE BEEN EXPOSED?** McMinn County has three cases of coronavirus at this point. How do you know if you may have been exposed to one of those patients? Special teams trace the steps of each coronavirus patient to identify everyone he/she has been in contact with. The Health Department then notifies each of those persons so they can be tested and/or quarantined.

## Church News & Events

- Obviously, most churches have cancelled their worship services and other activities until further notice due to the coronavirus outbreak. Check with your church. Many churches are streaming their services on the Internet. The Home Service Class from Keith UMC will be broadcast live on WYXI Radio (FM 94.5/AM 1390) at 10 a.m. Sunday. The Fairview Baptist Church service is from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. You can also listen to our stream [ONLINE](#).
- Lane's Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church in Niota has cancelled the annual Choir Day on March 29th. A new date will be announced later.
- Athens First Baptist Church is planning to hold "parking lot services" on Easter Sunday. People can park in the church parking lots, remain in their vehicles, and listen to the service.
- At this point, the Athens-McMinn Ministerial Association is planning to hold Community Midday Holy Week services Monday through Friday, April 6th-10th, at 12:05 p.m. Lunch/refreshments are served following each service. Monday's service is at Keith Memorial UMC. Tuesday's service is at East Athens Baptist Church. Wednesday's service is at St. Mark's AME Zion Church. Thursday's service is at Athens Christian Church, 802 W. Matlock Ave. Friday's service is at Trinity UMC. An Easter Sunrise Service is scheduled for Sunday, April 12th, at 7 a.m., at Market Park Pavilion. Rev. Skip White from Trinity UMC will be the speaker. Music by The Gathering from Keith UMC.



**To Our Customers Impacted by the Coronavirus:**  
As a locally owned community bank, we care very deeply for our customers and hope to ease any worries or financial concerns you may have during this pandemic.

We want to assure you that Peoples Bank is here to assist you in every way that we can. Customers who experience financial difficulty or hardship due to the effects of the Coronavirus will be given the opportunity to defer or skip payments to ease the burden in these uncertain times. Anyone who is impacted should reach out to their loan officer or branch manager, who are ready to assist. Together, we will get through this by taking care of each other and our neighbors. As Mr. Rogers said, "Always look for the helpers because if you look for the helpers, you'll know there's hope." At Peoples Bank, we always want to be one of the helpers by doing what's best for our community.

  
Chris White  
President & CEO



## TODAY IN HISTORY - MARCH 27<sup>th</sup>

- 1513** - Explorer Juan Ponce de Leon sighted an island. Five days later, he landed in what is now Florida in his search for the "fountain of youth."
- 1813** - American printer Nathaniel Currier was born. He formed the Currier and Ives firm with James Merritt Ives. Their company published more than 4,000 color pictures of historic events and common scenes of the times. Many of them became Christmas cards.
- 1845** - Wilhelm Roentgen was born in Germany. He discovered X-rays.
- 1924** - Singer Sarah Vaughan was born. Among her hit records were "Broken-Hearted Melody" and "Make Yourself Comfortable."
- 1964** - Alaska was hit by a major earthquake. It caused widespread destruction around Anchorage and Valdez. The quake killed 130 people and caused \$750-million in property damage.