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Monday, May 18, 2020

Athens, Tennessee

COVID-19 Virus Update

The total number of McMinn County residents who have died from the coronavirus is 12. As of Sunday afternoon, there have been 123 cases of the virus in McMinn County; 81 of the residents have recovered. Around the area, Bradley County has had 82 cases of the virus, with 65 recovered and one death. Monroe County's total is 41 cases; 21 have recovered and there has been 1 death. In Meigs County, there have been 22 cases so far; 19 have recovered. Polk County's total is 13 cases, with 11 recovered. Statewide, there have been 17,388 confirmed cases of the coronavirus, with 9,652 recovered. There have been 298 deaths in Tennessee.

◆ MORE COVID-19 VIRUS-RELATED NEWS

Life Care Center of Athens says that 12 of their residents have died following the COVID-19 outbreak at the nursing home. As of Friday, 71 residents have tested positive for COVID-19, while 27 residents tested negative for COVID-19. One resident is hospitalized. Life Care says that all of their staff members have been tested and 49 of them did test positive while 28 of them have recovered and have met the CDC guidelines for returning to work. Life Care reports that 80 of their staff members tested negative for COVID-19.

LISTENING REMINDER: The Main Street Athens radio show, "Main Street Moments," this week will be Whitney Kimball-Coe, Director of National Programs Center for Rural Strategies. You can hear the program each Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI Radio, FM 94.5 and AM 1390 or online at wysi.com

Local & State News

◆ Athens Utilities Board (AUB) will resume normal collection procedures on utility disconnects and late fees beginning today, May 18th. Late fees on bills issued from mid March through May 18, will be waived. If anyone is having trouble paying their bill, they should contact AUB at 423-745-4501.

◆ The Athens man who organized a car show that took place at the Athens Regional Park on May 3rd has been banned from all parks in the city. Austin Tyler received a letter from the Athens Parks and Recreation Department advising him that he has been banned from the city's parks for one year. The letter advises Tyler that failure to comply with the ban will result in him being prosecuted for criminal trespassing. The letter states that the ban is being imposed because Tyler held an unauthorized event at Athens Regional Park that violated several city ordinances and park rules.

◆ Governor Lee's Economic Recovery Group is lifting capacity restrictions on restaurants and retail businesses and instead is focus on social distancing. The new rules become effective Friday, May 22nd. New guidelines will be issued to facilitate the safe reopening of larger, non-contact attractions on or after May 22nd. Six of Tennessee's largest counties: Shelby, Madison, Davidson, Hamilton, Knox and Sullivan, may continue to follow individual, county-specific reopening plans. Guidance for large attractions will be applied to protect those at racetracks, amusement parks, water parks, theaters, dinner theaters, auditoriums, large museums and more. Restaurant guidance will include a lift on capacity restrictions, as long as social distancing is maintained by placing tables at least 6 feet apart. Restrictions on social gatherings of more than 10 people will remain in place for the time being.

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To our loyal customers: We had planned to open June 1st, however, with the current meat situation we are unable to get the meat shipments required until the meat processing issues are resolved. With that said, we will have to delay the opening. At the present time, we do not have an anticipated opening date. **Western Sizzlin.**

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- Monday-Sweetwater-Little Drugs-10:30 - 2:30
- Tuesday-Athens-PaPaw's Place -10:30 - 2:30
- Wednesday-Etowah-10:30 - 2:30 (across from Johnson's Dept Store)
- Thursday-Athens-PaPaw's Place -11:00 - 2:30
- Friday-Sweetwater-Little Drugs-10:30 - 2:30
- Saturday-Sweetwater- Little Drugs-11:00 - 2:30
- Supper!!! Mon-Fri in Niota @388 Hwy 309 - 5-7 p.m.




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Obituaries - continued

♦ **Billy "Bill" Guffey**, age 68, of Athens, died Friday. A graveside service will be held at 3 p.m. Monday at the Old Salem Cemetery. There will be no formal visitation. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Gladys Elaine Green**, age 87, of Knoxville, and formerly of Athens, died Thursday at Island Home Park Health & Rehab. Funeral services will be Monday at 3 p.m. at Bierley-Hale Funeral Home with visitation beginning at 2 p.m. using CDC guidelines.

♦ **William George Clark, "WG"**, age 77, of Athens, died Friday in a local health care facility. He worked many years as a machinist but was widely known as owner and operator of Liberty Pawn Shop & Trading Post. A private service will be held Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. at M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home.

Obituaries

♦ **Mary Winona "Winnie" Hutsell Axley**, age 94, died Thursday at Life Care Center of Athens. She was employed by Park Avenue Laundry and Cleaners, Citizens Bank, and Chandlers Fabrics. A Celebration of her life will be held at a later date. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

♦ **Wendell Lee Beck**, age 73, of Monroe County, died Tuesday at U.T. Medical Center following a farming accident. Wendell owned and operated Beck's Florist for 40 years, and was an avid farmer and beekeeper. Graveside service and interment were held on Saturday at Chestnut Methodist Cemetery, with Bierley-Hale Funeral Home in Madisonville was in charge of the arrangements.

♦ **Betty Jean Kibble Hicks**, age 89, of Gas City, IN, formerly of Riceville, died Thursday at Colonial Oaks Health & Rehab in Marion, IN. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. on Tuesday at Short Creek Baptist Church. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.

SENIOR PARADE HELD IN DECATUR

A "Drive-By" parade to salute and congratulate the 2020 graduates at Meigs County High School was held Saturday in Decatur. A big crowd was on hand to celebrate the occasion. (FB photo courtesy of Mike Bell)



TODAY IN HISTORY - MAY 18th

1804 - The French Senate proclaimed Napoleon Bonaparte emperor.

1860 - Abraham Lincoln was nominated for the U.S. Presidency by the Republican Party at its convention in Chicago.

1912 - Singer Perry Como was born on this date in Ohio. He started out as a barber, then became one of the top-selling male recording artists in the 1950's and 60's. He died in 2001.

1933 - Congress passed the Tennessee Valley Act, creating the Tennessee Valley Authority for the purpose of flood control and rural electrification.

1942 - Singer Albert Hammond was born. His biggest hit was "It Never Rains in Southern California" from 1972. It hit #5 on the Billboard charts.

1952 - Country singer George Strait was born. He is an American country music singer, songwriter, actor, and music producer. He is known as the "King of Country" and is considered one of the most influential and popular recording artists of all time. His first hit record was "Unwound" in 1981.

1980 - The Mount St. Helens volcano in Washington state erupted, killing 57 people.



IMMEDIATE JOB OPENINGS

The City of Etowah will be accepting applications for (2) Part-Time employees with the possibility of transitioning to Full-Time for the Public Works/Sanitation departments. CDL license required.

Physically demanding. Duties require employees to safely drive garbage truck while others riding along; Lift heavy objects and work in all weather conditions; Operate truck mechanisms for lifting and dumping.

Perform some manual labor for items such as brush piles or furniture that trucks can't lift.

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Physically demanding. Duties require Ride on Sanitation truck; Lift refuse cans and other heavy objects and work in all weather conditions; Operate the truck mechanisms for lifting and dumping, as well as positioning dumpster bins for pick up.

Perform some manual labor for items such as brush piles or furniture that trucks can't lift.

Applicants for all positions must be able to pass a drug test and background check and possess a high school diploma or a GED equivalent

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