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Tuesday, May 19, 2020

Athens, Tennessee

COVID -19 Virus Update

The number of coronavirus cases in McMinn County has remained unchanged for five days at 123. Of those, 84 patients have recovered. There have been 12 deaths, all at Life Care Center of Athens. Monroe County has 49 cases, 24 recovered, and 1 death. Bradley Co. has 83 cases, 67 recovered, and 1 death. Meigs Co. has 22 total cases with 19 recovered. Tennessee has now had 18,011 cases with 9,886 patients recovered, and 301 deaths.

MORE VIRUS-RELATED NEWS

- ✓ Loudon County Mayor Buddy Bradshaw says 57 employees at Monterey Mushroom have tested positive for COVID-19. The mayor says most of the employees are asymptomatic. He says you cannot catch the virus from the mushrooms themselves. But he recommends you wash your hands after removing the mushrooms from the package.
- ✓ In Gatlinburg, the Skylift Park will open this Friday, May 22nd. The Park says they are limiting the number of guests, cleaning surfaces periodically, and employees will wear face coverings. If you plan to visit, you are asked to maintain your distance, limit your visit to one hour, and wear a face covering.
- ✓ The Transformation Project resumes in-person classes at Athens First Baptist Church. The classes are for anyone with a life-controlling problem. The 12-month program also can serve as an alternative sentencing program. For information, call Sarah Kite at 745-5441.

Beats Walking in the Street

The Athens Public Works Department is putting the finishing touches on a much-needed sidewalk on Cook Drive from Frye Street to West Madison Avenue. The new sidewalk will make it much easier for residents of McMinn Villa to walk to the convenience store at Cook and West Madison. For years, people have had to either walk on the edge of the street or on the sloping embankment. (Staff Photo)



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Tuesday: Mostly cloudy. Possible t'storms. High 72.

Tue Night: Mostly cloudy. Low 54.

Wednesday: Possible rain. High 70.

Wed Night: Mostly cloudy. Possible rain. Low 56.

Thursday: Mostly cloudy. Possible t'storm. High 73.

More Weather at: wysi.com

TODAY IN HISTORY - MAY 19th

1536 - Anne Boleyn, the second wife of England's King Henry VIII, was beheaded after being convicted of adultery.

1921 - Congress passed the Emergency Quota Act, which established national quotas for immigrants.

1935 - T.E. Lawrence, also known as "Lawrence of Arabia," died in England from injuries sustained in a motorcycle crash. He was a British soldier in World War One who fought for Arabia.

1940 - Singer and songwriter Mickey Newbury (Newberry) was born. His most popular song was his arrangement of three songs—"Dixie," "All My Trials," and "Battle Hymn of the Republic"-into a song he called "An American Trilogy.

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Billie Ruth Bowers Poteet Shadden**, age 83, of Englewood, died Saturday. A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at McMinn Memory Gardens. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.
- ♦ **Diane James Colbaugh**, age 68, of Decatur, died April 17th at her home. A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, May 23rd, at 1 p.m. at Bowers Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Daryl Anderson Lee**, age 67, of Madisonville, died Saturday at Parkwest Medical Center. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Companion Funeral Home of Athens, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- ♦ **Junior R. Allman**, age 78, of Athens, died Sunday. A graveside service will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at McMinn Memory Gardens. There will be no formal visitation. Bordwine is in charge.
- ♦ **Randal Eric Keaton**, age 57, of Athens, died Friday at U.T. Medical Center in Knoxville. He served in the U. S. Army. A memorial service will be held at a later date. There will be no formal visitation. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services is in charge.

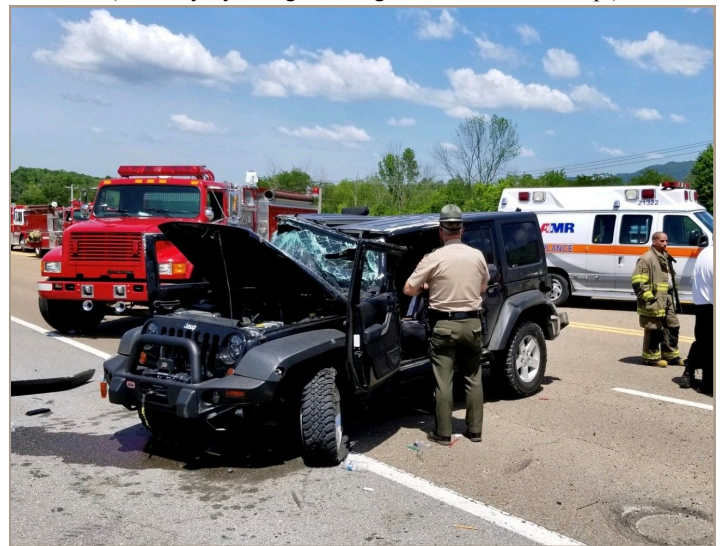
◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Athens City Council holds its monthly meeting at 6 p.m. today. On the agenda is a vote on the first reading of the new budget proposal.
- ✓ The McMinn County Highway Department advises that County Road 20 (Lamontville Road) will be closed between County Road 4 and County Road 2 for road repairs beginning today, weather permitting. That section of County Road 20 will be closed through Wednesday, May 20th.

Driver Hurt in Highway 411 Rollover

The 2011 Jeep Wrangler pictured below overturned Saturday afternoon on Highway 411 south of Etowah. The driver was airlifted by Lifeforce to Erlanger Hospital in Chattanooga. The Etowah and Englewood Rural Fire Departments and McMinn County Sheriff's Department all responded. THP Officer Travis Ryans investigated the accident.

(Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Dept)



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