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COVID-19 Virus Update

The number of COVID-19 cases in Tennessee stands at 23,554, with 15,564 patients recovered and 367 deaths. McMinn County's total of cases is 142. 106 have recovered and 14 have died. Rhea County has had 214 cases, with 126 patients recovered. Meigs County has 26 cases with 21 recovered. Polk County's total is 18 cases with 14 recovered. Monroe County has 65 cases, 46 recoveries, and 2 deaths. Bradley County has had 146 cases, 99 recoveries, and 1 death.

FACE MASK ADVISORY

The Tennessee Department of Health says County Health Departments have stopped handing out free face masks due to some potential concerns about their safety. That includes the McMinn County Health Department which had been giving masks to individuals, families, and churches. The black masks, which are made by a sock company in Cleveland, were treated with Silvadur, an anti-microbial substance applied to cloth to reduce odor-causing bacterial growth. The EPA in 2017 issued a document saying Silvadur can "cause irreversible eye damage, cause skin burns, and is harmful if swallowed or inhaled." The Health Department is asking the public to refrain from using and distributing the masks until more data is available about the application of Silvadur to these masks. Silvadur says they've used what they call a "safe and trusted" technology to control bacteria that causes odors on fabric for more than a decade with no adverse health effects.

Helping to Feed TWU Students

The Athens Area Chamber of Commerce recently donated \$500 to Tennessee Wesleyan University to help provide food for more than 40 students residing on campus this summer that are having food struggles due to COVID-19. In the photo: (L-R) Tonya Higgs (Athens Chamber), Scott Cass (Chamber Board), Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Scott Mashburn (Chamber Diplomat), Kelly Blassingame (Chamber Board), Julie Simbeck (Athens Chamber), & Karen Raby (Chamber Diplomat)

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Tuesday: Sunny to partly cloudy and warm. High 86.
Tue Night: Clear & Humid. Low 65.
Wednesday: Sunny, Warm & Humid. High 88.
Wed Night: Mostly cloudy & Humid. Possible t'storms. Low 68.
Thursday: Clouds & Sun. Possible rain. High 84.
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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

- ♦ **Jerry Barker**, age 69, of Etowah, died Monday. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Sarah Lou "Bill" Williams Shultz**, age 99, of McMinn County, died Saturday. She worked at Mounger's Café in Etowah for many years and kept the record books at Shultz Farm for years. A graveside service will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Double Springs Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ JOINT STATEMENT ISSUED BY SHERIFF AND ALL MCMINN COUNTY POLICE CHIEFS

The following statement was issued by McMinn County Sheriff Joe Guy and all Police Chiefs in McMinn County: "The McMinn County Sheriff's Office, along with your Chiefs and Police Departments of Athens, Etowah, Englewood, Calhoun and Niota, are united in serving all citizens of McMinn County equally and fairly. It is our commitment as your Sheriff and local Police Chiefs that racism, marginalization, and unethical behavior have no place in professional law enforcement. Please contact any of us at any time with thoughts or concerns. We enjoy serving you." (From Joe Guy Facebook Page)

Saluting the Seniors

There will be parades in both Athens and Etowah this coming Saturday, June 6th, to honor the graduating seniors. The Athens parade will start at 2 p.m. The parade route will follow the usual parade routes, going into Downtown Athens on West Madison Avenue, circling the Courthouse Square, and going out of the Downtown area on West Washington Ave. The organizer, Tony Shirk, says he came up with the idea for a parade to salute the McMinn High School graduating seniors after learning the other cities in the area are also holding parades. The parade is being made possible by donations from several Athens businesses, including All Things Exterior.

Etowah is also holding a parade to honor graduates of McMinn Central. The Etowah parade will start at 11 a.m. this coming Saturday. The parade will form up at 10 a.m. in the parking lot located at Ohio Avenue and 8th. The parade route will travel along 10th Street, turn north on Highway 411, and go to 5th Street.

Meigs County and Monroe County schools have already held parades to honor their graduating seniors.

NOTE: The Athens Area Chamber of Commerce says there are tickets remaining for the 14th annual benefit featuring golfing legend Jack Nicklaus. The event has been rescheduled for October 17th. For ticket information, call the Chamber office at 745-0334.

TODAY IN HISTORY - JUNE 2nd

- 1851** - Maine became the first state to enact a law prohibiting alcohol.
- 1897** - Mark Twain was quoted by the New York Journal as saying "the report of my death was an exaggeration."
- 1924** - Congress granted U.S. citizenship to all American Indians. They pay state and federal taxes, but if they live on a reservation they do not pay taxes on property and reservation lands.
- 1937** - Actress Sally Kellerman was born.
- 1932** - Singer Sammy Turner was born. He had a big hit record in 1959, "Lavender Blue."
- 1944** - Composer and piano player Marvin Hamlisch was born. His biggest hit record was "The Entertainer."
- 1953** - Elizabeth the Second was crowned Queen of Great Britain at the age of 25. Her coronation was the first to be televised.
- 1983** - An Air Canada DC-9 made an emergency landing in Cincinnati after fire broke out in the cabin. Twenty-three of the 46 aboard died in the intense blaze.

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