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Monday, June 8, 2020 Athens, Tennessee

COVID-19 Virus Update

As of Sunday, June 7, Tennessee has had 26,381 cases of COVID-19, with 17,222 recoveries and 418 deaths. McMinn County reports 150 cases with 110 recoveries and 14 deaths. Rhea County shows 218 cases, with 171 recoveries. Meigs County reports 27 cases, with 22 recoveries. Monroe County's total is 75 with 60 recoveries and 4 deaths. Bradley County has 199 cases, 121 recoveries, and 2 deaths. Polk County reports 21 cases with 16 recoveries.

- ◆ **COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:**
 - ✓ The Athens City Schools Board of Education will hold its monthly meeting today, June 8th, at 4:30 p.m. The meeting can be viewed online at the Athens City Schools website. The 4:30 p.m. start time will allow Dr. Melanie Miller, School Director, to attend the Athens City Council Study Session at 5:45 p.m.
 - ✓ Registration has begun for the Etowah Carnegie Library's Virtual Summer Reading Program. Participants may stop by the library to pick up their reading packet after registering on the library's website at www.etowahlibrary.com or at the library. The program will be offered Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays through the library's Facebook page beginning June 16th.
 - ✓ CAGE announces that *Englewood Celebrates* will take place the last weekend of June. The decision to hold the event comes after the state released its guidance for festivals and outdoor events. More details on the celebration will be released soon.

Local & State News

◆ **COCHRAN ANNOUNCES RE-ELECTION BID**
 Republican State Rep. Mark Cochran of Englewood has announced he is seeking re-election to the Tennessee House of Representatives. Cochran was first elected to serve the citizens of McMinn and Monroe counties in 2018. He served as Majority Treasurer for the 111th General Assembly. He also fought to reduce burdensome taxes and regulations on Tennessee businesses and their employees. He has been a powerful voice for the unborn and is working to enact constitutional carry in Tennessee. During his first term, he was a member of the House Consumer & Human Resources and the House Education Committees.



LISTENING REMINDER: The Main Street Athens radio show, "Main Street Moments," this week will be Anne Montgomery discussing the SPARK Summer Camp. 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

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Don Alan Peterson**, age 70, of Etowah, died May 31st at his home. He served in the Army during Vietnam and was retired from CSX Railroad. Graveside services were held this past Saturday. Serenity Funeral Home was in charge.
- ♦ **George William Golden, Jr.**, age 84, of McMinn County, died June 3rd. He was retired from Yellow Freight after more than 20 years of service. Graveside services were held this past Saturday. Serenity Funeral Home was in charge.
- ♦ **Carolyn "Nadine" Haney**, age 73, of Englewood, died Friday at UT Medical Center. A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, June 8th, at McMinn Memory Gardens. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.

◆ **MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:**

- ✓ The Good Faith Clinic will be open Tuesday, (June 9th) with drive-thru refills from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. At 4 p.m., you can sign in for physician visits. Priority will be new patients, acute illnesses, new medical issues, uncontrolled blood pressure, or diabetic issues. The Good Faith Clinic is located at 18 South Congress Parkway on the campus of Christ Community Church. It is for uninsured residents of McMinn and Meigs counties.
- ✓ Free testing for the coronavirus continues daily from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the McMinn County Health Department off Highway 30 behind the National Guard Armory. The tests take place in the parking lot while you remain in your vehicle.

Statement from Ministerial Assoc.

The Athens Area Ministerial Association has issued a statement against racism. Here is part of the statement:

As people of Christ, we believe that we are to proclaim Good News, hope to the world, and the words of love that state that we are each other's neighbor. We continue to hear and affirm Christ's call upon us that we are to be a light to the world.

Therefore, we stand together. We recognize our skin color and our backgrounds are often different. But we also recognize that those differences should never be the basis for de-humanizing another person. We come together to bear witness that we cannot, as people of faith, abide any system or ideology that views people through racist lenses.

As followers of Jesus Christ, we cannot accept these actions that resulted in the death of George Floyd, nor can we accept the violence perpetuated in his name. His death does not deserve violence, it deserves justice.

We painfully admit that throughout the history of this country, people of color have been treated as "less than" by means official and unofficial. With repentance, we have to acknowledge that changes have to be made in our country on a fundamental level--we have to learn and teach that all people are people of Divine worth. We stand with the men and women, police and protester alike, who recognize George Floyd's death is an atrocity. We add our voices and prayers to those around the country who want a better day for our country.

TODAY IN HISTORY - JUNE 8th

1783 - Iceland's Laki volcano blew its top and continued to spew lava for eight more months. This was one of the most violent of volcanic eruptions which killed 9,350 people and caused a famine which lasted until 1790.

1786 - Commercial ice cream was manufactured for the first time -- in New York City.

1808 - The *Phoenix*, the largest ocean-going steamboat in the world, left New York Harbor for Philadelphia, PA. It was the first ocean voyage ever taken by a steamboat. John Stevens built the mammoth boat.

1872 - U.S. Congress authorized the penny postal card.

1951 - Paul Bobel, Werner Braune, Erich Naumann, Otto Ohlendorf, Oswald Pohl, W. Schellenmair & Otto Schmidt, the last Nazi war criminals, were hanged by U.S. officials at Landsberg Fortress (prison).

1969 - NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle announced that a single-league schedule would replace the separate NFL and AFL schedules in 1970.

1982 - On his visit to England, Ronald Reagan went horseback riding with Queen Elizabeth II, lunched with Prime Minister Thatcher, and became the first U.S. President to address the British Parliament.



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