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Tuesday, August 25, 2020

Athens, Tennessee

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The Athens Parks Department invites you to register for the Co-Ed Adult Kickball League which takes to the field this fall at Athens Regional Park for an 8-game season. Games will be played Thursdays from Sept. 3rd to Oct. 22nd from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 744-2704.
- ✓ The Good Faith Clinic will be open at 3:30 p.m. today for drive-through refills. At 4 p.m., you can sign in for physician visits. The Good Faith Clinic is located on the campus of Christ Community Church at 18 South Congress Parkway. The clinic is for uninsured residents of McMinn and Meigs counties.
- ✓ The McMinn County Health Department continues to do free testing for COVID-19 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Monday through Fridays. The drive-thru tests take place in the parking lot.
- ✓ Starr Regional Medical Center has received Chest Pain Center reaccreditation from the American College of Cardiology. Starr is recognized for its ability to assess, diagnose, and treat patients who may be experiencing a heart attack.

COVID-19 CASE UPDATE:

As of Monday, Tennessee has had 144,604 cases of COVID-19, with 106,041 recoveries and 1588 deaths. McMinn County reports 717 cases with 490 recoveries and 20 deaths. Rhea County shows 616 cases, 510 recoveries, 2 deaths. No change in Meigs County. Monroe County's total is 608 with 378 recoveries and 10 deaths. Bradley County has 2,359 cases, 1,781 recoveries, and 16 deaths. Polk County reports 305 cases, 208 recoveries, 10 deaths.

Apply Today for Leadership McMinn

Applications are still available for Leadership McMinn's Class of 2020-2021. The program is sponsored by the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce. It is a great way to learn about Athens and McMinn County and make personal and business contacts that will last a lifetime. More than 600 people have graduated from Leadership McMinn since the program's inception in 1988. **Morning Fax** editor Bob Ketchersid was a participant in the very first Leadership McMinn class. Anyone interested in applying can contact the chamber at 745-0334 for an application. The photo below shows the 2019 class during their visit to the McMinn County Airport. (Photo from the Athens Chamber)



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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

- ♦ **Beecher Saffles**, age 74, of Athens, died last Friday. He worked with Alfred's IGA for several years and retired from Ingles Supermarket with over 20 years of service. Funeral services will be Tuesday at 3 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 1 to 3 p.m.
- ♦ **Sean Victor Blair**, age 31, of Calhoun, died last Wednesday in a hospital in Nashville. He was an account manager with FreightWise in Brentwood. A memorial service will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Smith Funeral Home, with visitation from 1 to 2 p.m.
- ♦ **Rickey Crisp**, age 63, of Decatur, died Sunday (one day before his birthday) at Parkwest Hospital. Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Bowers Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Due to COVID-19 regulations, you are asked to wear you mask during visitation and services.
- ♦ **Richard Wilson Crabtree**, age 60, of Spring City, died Friday, July 31st, at his home. He was a member of the Plumber and Steamfitters Union Local 43. A memorial service will be held Wednesday at 5 p.m. at Pritchett Cemetery in Evensville. Bowers Funeral Home is in charge.
- ♦ **Carolyn Sue Sloan**, age 65, of Madisonville, died Saturday, August 15th. She was employed at Walmart. The family will receive friends at the family residence, 4017 Highway 411 North in Madisonville, Thursday starting at 7p.m., followed by a memorial service at around 8 p.m. Companion of Athens is in charge.

Drive-by Birthday Party

Ruby Richardson of the Richardson Farm between Etowah and Athens on Highway 30 celebrated her 90th birthday Sunday afternoon. Because of the coronavirus, she was honored with a drive-by celebration by many family and friends. Gene Choate sent us this photo showing folks driving by.



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