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Today's News... This Morning

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**Etowah Amvets Post 100  
 Turkey Shoot**  
**Every Saturday from  
 Sept 26 until Dec 5th**  
**930 Breakfast 10 Shoot**  
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**Etowah**  
**Use your 12 GA or ours**  
**No Modified Barrels**  
**Stock chokes allowed.**  
**Lots of Prizes!!**

Friday, September 18, 2020

Athens, Tennessee

## Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Athens Utilities Board says the fall season will bring the power rates down a bit more. October ushers in the fall season with base power rates that are the lowest of the year.
- ✓ The McMinn County Living Heritage Museum is currently collecting items for an exhibit on the history of local emergency services (police and fire departments, sheriff, rescue squads, etc). The museum is interested in items such as uniforms, badges, fire-arms, equipment, etc.
- ✓ High school football tonight: The McMinn Cherokees play at William Blount...and Meigs County hosts Rockwood. McMinn Central has the night off.

**CORRECTION:** In Thursday's **Morning Fax** we reported that there are currently six vacancies at the Athens Police Department. That is incorrect. There are three vacancies. Two are patrol officers and one is a detective position.

### ◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Thursday P.M.

Tennessee: 178,140 cases, up 1,053. 2,164 deaths, up 13.

COUNTY	CASES	RECOVERED	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	1,007 up 13	863	120	24
Meigs	208 (no change)	175	30	3
Monroe	975 up 13	866	93	16
Polk	369 - 1	343	15	11
Bradley	2,779 up 12	2,600	163	16
Rhea	754 up 3	683	60	11

## Supporting Our Police

A McMinn County woman, Brenda Wallot, is selling "We Support Our Police" yard signs and decals to raise money to assist the police departments in the county. The cost is \$10 for decals and \$20 for yard signs. Proceeds will be used to buy a vest for the Etowah Police Department's new K-9 officer. Englewood's portion will go toward the historic water tower. Brenda also hopes to raise enough money to provide medical supplies to the Etowah police and fire departments. For information about purchasing a sign or decal, you can go to her "Cards For Caring Hands" Facebook page.



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**WEATHER FORECAST**  
**Friday** - Sun mixed with clouds. High 78.  
**Fri Night** - Partly cloudy. Low 57.  
**Saturday** - Sunny, some clouds. High 74.  
**Sat Night** - Mainly clear. Low 54.  
**Sunday** - Nice with sunshine and patchy clouds. High 77.  
 More Weather at: [wxyi.com](http://wxyi.com)

# 68th Annual Athens Kiwanis BBQ Sale

Drive-through only at both locations to help with physical distancing.

**Friday, September 18 • 11am to 7pm**

Market Park Pavilion in Downtown Athens and

Simmons Bank/VIP Promotional Products on Congress Parkway in Athens



Tickets are \$12 each and good for 1lb of BBQ or two bottles of Gus Bagley's Famous BBQ Sauce

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## Obituaries

♦ **Thomas Cleveland Watson**, 85, of Athens, died Wednesday at Starr Regional Medical Center. He was an auto body repairman at Adams Oldsmobile. Graveside services will be 10 a.m. Saturday at McMinn Memory Gardens. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.

**THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT:** U.S. equities ended the day lower. Jobless claims were down more than expected, but employment growth continues to slow. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 130 points or 0.5% to 27,902. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 28 points or 0.8% to 3,357, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 140 points or 1.3% to 10,910.

### IT'S MEDIC REGIONAL VS. LIFESOUTH

MEDIC Regional Blood Center and LifeSouth Blood Centers are keeping the annual UT vs. FL blood drive competition from Sept. 21st through Sept. 25th. The game may have moved to December, but the two blood centers battle year after year to see who can collect the most blood and blood-related products. MEDIC won the trophy last year. Donors can visit any one of the four MEDIC donor centers or any blood drive to donate. All donors will receive a special edition T-shirt and coupons for Salsarita's and Texas Roadhouse. Donations continue to be screened for COVID-19 through September 30th. In Athens, you can donate at MEDIC's Blood Center, 213 E. Washington Avenue.

## Church News & Events

- Jones Chapel UMC will be starting a Celebrate Recovery ministry on Sunday nights. The service will be livestreamed on Facebook at Celebrate Recovery at Jones Chapel starting at 6 p.m. this Sunday, September 20th. In-church groups will start up on October 4th at 7 p.m. Celebrate Recovery is for anyone dealing with chemical addiction, compulsive behavior, or other life challenges. Everyone is welcome. Jones Chapel is located at 590 County Road 778, Athens.

- The Athens First Baptist Church Sunday morning worship service now begins at 9:30 a.m., with Sunday School at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday night activities have also resumed, starting with a Family Meal at 5 p.m.

- Union McMinn Baptist Church will have a one-day Bible School for all ages on Saturday, September 26th, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with lunch served.

- Athens Church of Christ will be offering the Dave Ramsey Financial Peace course virtually beginning September 21st. The cost is \$50. Call the church at 745-0554 for information.

- St. Mark A.M.E. Zion Church will give away free food on Saturday, September 19th from noon to 2 p.m.

- New Beginnings Baptist Church on County Road 48 in Calhoun will have a revival September 18th - 22nd. The preachers will be Health Pickel, Travis Shaver, and Greg Charles. There will be special singing at each service.

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