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Tuesday, December 15, 2020

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Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Due to an increase in COVID-19 cases, the Athens City Schools will go to all-virtual classes beginning Wednesday, Dec. 16th, and continuing through December 23rd. Also, Kids Connection will be closed from December 16th through the 23rd.
- ✓ Country singer Charlie Pride has died from complications of COVID-19. He was 86. Pride was the first black man to become a country star. His hits include "Kiss An Angel Good Morning" and "Is Anybody Goin' To San Antone."
- ✓ The Athens City Council holds its monthly meeting tonight, Tuesday, at 6 in the Burkett Witt Council Chambers at the Municipal Building.
- ✓ The McMinn County Health Department continues to offer free drive-thru COVID-19 testing Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. No appointment is needed.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE MONDAY P.M.

Tennessee: 464,624 cases, up 10,319. 5,541 deaths, up 79.

COUNTY	CASES	RECOVERED	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	3,504 up 122	2,823	621	60
Meigs	726 up 36	531	182	13
Monroe	2,904 up 83	2,379	477	48
Polk	892 up 27	709	168	15
Bradley	7,106 up 252	5,805	1,251	50 up 2
Rhea	2,355 up 64	1,891	424	40 up 1

Starr Regional Gets an "A"

Starr Regional Medical Center has been awarded an "A" in the fall 2020 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, a national distinction recognizing Starr Regional's achievements in protecting patients from harm and providing safer health care.

The Leapfrog Group is an independent national watchdog organization committed to health care quality and safety. The Safety Grade assigns a grade between "A" and "F" to all general hospitals across the nation and is updated every six months. It is based on a hospital's performance in preventing medical errors, injuries, accidents, infections, and other harm to patients in their care.

POWER OUTAGE IN NORTH ATHENS

Electricity in parts of North Athens was knocked off for over an hour Monday morning after a tree fell across power lines, opening all three phases. The photo shows AUB crews stringing new wire.

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Merry Christmas! & Happy New Year

We will be closed December 21 - January 1, 2020! REOPEN January 4 REGULAR HOURS. We hope you and your family have a Merry Christmas as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior. The year 2020 has brought about chaos and challenging times for many of us. May we take time to reflect on Jesus the real reason for the season! He is our true help and comforter in times like these. Thank you to ALL of our customers for your business in 2020. It is greatly appreciated! We look forward to serving you in 2021! We are here to serve and help you in any way that we can with your home or business exterior needs. Our prayer for each person is that God blesses and prospers you greatly in 2021!

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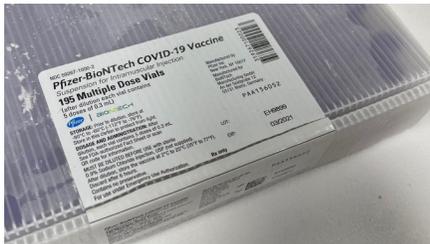
♦ **William Pierce Mozley**, age 76, of Athens, died Saturday. Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday in McMinn Memory Gardens. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **Terry Ray Cavender**, age 69, of Athens, died last Thursday, December 10th at Sweetwater Hospital. He worked and retired from A.E. Staley Company in Loudon with 32 years of service. In honor of his wishes and CDC guidelines, there will be no formal services at this time. Companion of Athens is in charge.

COVID-19 ARRIVES IN TENNESSEE

The Tennessee Department of Health has received its first shipment of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine.

The state got an early shipment of 975 doses to hold as an emergency backup supply should any receiving hospital's supply be damaged.



Tennessee anticipates receiving 56,550 doses on Thursday to be sent to 74 hospitals. A second shipment of 56,500 doses is expected about three weeks later. The vaccine will go to front-line health care workers and long-term care facility residents and staff.

Head-on Crash Injures 3

Three young people from Athens were injured in a head-on crash on Highway 305 this past Friday afternoon. Two of the victims were airlifted from the scene. All three were treated for a variety of injuries, including broken bones, bruises, and cuts. They were later released from the hospital. The photo below (from Facebook) shows one of the cars involved in the wreck. The 19-year-old driver of this car suffered a shattered wrist and a broken arm.



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