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Athens, Tennessee

Virus Update

The Tennessee Department of Health reports 4,634 cases of the coronavirus statewide as of Thursday afternoon. There have been 94 deaths in Tennessee. That's up from 79 on Wednesday. The number of coronavirus cases in McMinn County has been holding steady at 3 for 16 days. 271 people in McMinn County have been tested, and 268 of the tests were negative. Monroe County has 7 cases, Meigs County has 3, Polk County has 3, and Bradley County has 28.

WHEN TO CLEAN & WHEN TO SANITIZE

Sarah Kite from the UT Extension-McMinn County office explains the difference between cleaning and sanitizing. She says both are important to help prevent the spread of harmful germs. **Cleaning** works by using soap or detergent and water to physically remove germs from surfaces, but does not necessarily kill germs. **Sanitizing** lowers the number of germs on surfaces.

She says you should **clean** to remove dried food and spills from countertops, to remove food from a stove top, and to wipe down interior refrigerator surfaces with hot water and soap.

You should **sanitize** when someone sneezed all over your countertop, when someone sick touched your refrigerator door handle or faucet, when raw meat juice spilled on the countertop, stove, sink, floor, or in the refrigerator, and when raw meat touched a countertop, stove top, sink, utensil or cutting board or shelf in your refrigerator. You can make a safe and effective sanitizing solution by combining 1 tablespoon of liquid chlorine bleach and 1 gallon of water.

Protecting Shoppers & Workers



The United Grocery Outlet has installed plexiglass shields at the checkout locations to help protect both cashiers and shoppers from the coronavirus. They are also providing bleach and wipes for sanitizing their shopping carts.

(Photo courtesy of Janella Robison with UGO)

HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE STAYING INSIDE?

A data company is using cell phones to see how many people are really staying in their homes. The data shows whether the cell phone is being used outside of a building versus inside. A company called Unacast compiles the data and issues a rating on how well a state or county is doing with social distancing. Overall, Tennessee gets a C grade. Knox County also gets a C, while Monroe County got only a D. No data was shown for McMinn or Meigs counties.

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WEATHER FORECAST

Friday - Mostly sunny and cool. High 57.

Fri. Night - Clear & chilly with a freeze. Low 32.

Saturday - Mostly sunny & a little warmer. High 68.

Sunday - 70% rain with strong thunderstorms. High 63.

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

- Rev. Dallas Arthur Nance, age 68, of Athens, died Thursday. Arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.
- Ivy Roberts, age 70, of Sweetwater, died Wednesday at U.T. Medical Center in Knoxville. Private graveside services will be Friday at Roberts Cemetery. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- Andree Michelle Gaston Falgout, age 49, of Vonore, died Tuesday at Blount Memorial Hospital, There will be no formal services or visitation. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- John N. Edwards, Jr., age 65, of Sweetwater, died Tuesday after a short illness. There will be no funeral services. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

HAND SANITIZER FOR OUR OFFICERS

Madison Avenue Pharmacy has donated 3,000 milliliters of hand sanitizer to the Athens City Police Department. Compounding Technicians Brittany Moreno and Hannah Stafford have been working diligently every day to produce a product they never imagined would be in such high demand.



Church News & Events

- Virtually all churches have cancelled their worship services and other activities until further notice due to the coronavirus outbreak. Check with your church. Many churches are streaming their services on the Internet. The Home Service Class from Keith UMC will be broadcast live on WYXI Radio (FM 94.5/AM 1390) at 10 a.m. Sunday. The Fairview Baptist Church service is from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. You can also listen to our stream ONLINE.
- The Athens-McMinn Ministerial Association has cancelled the Community Midday Holy Week services Monday through Friday, April 6th-10th, at 12:05 p.m. However, WYXI Radio (AM-1390/FM 94.5) has been airing a daily five-minute message from the pastors each morning this week at 11:52 a.m. The speaker on Friday will be Rev. Dr. Ford King, Interim Pastor, Mars Hill Presbyterian Church.
- Family Worship Center at 250 County Road 378, Athens, is holding their regular church services, Sundays at 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. and Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
- Applications and all required submissions for the St. Mary Church Scholarship will be accepted through April 30th. Application forms and rules can be obtained on the St. Mary Catholic Church website. The scholarship program is open to college students from Meigs, McMinn, Monroe, and Polk counties.

TODAY IN HISTORY - APRIL 10TH

1866 - The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was incorporated.

1912 - The luxury liner Titanic set sail from Southampton, England, on its ill-fated maiden voyage. It stopped first in Cherbourg, France, and then Queenstown, Ireland, the next day, to pick up additional passengers before heading into the open sea.

1947 - Brooklyn Dodgers president Branch Rickey announced he had purchased the contract of Jackie Robinson from the Montreal Royals, paving the way for Robinson to become the first black to play in the major leagues.

1971 - A table tennis team from the United States arrived in China at the invitation of the communist government for a goodwill visit that came to be known as "ping-pong diplomacy."

1992 - Financier Charles Keating Jr. was sentenced in Los Angeles to nine years in prison for swindling investors when his Lincoln Savings and Loan collapsed. (The convictions were later overturned)

2001 - The Netherlands legalized mercy killings and assisted suicide for patients with unbearable, terminal illness.

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