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Monday, May 11, 2020

Athens, Tennessee

COVID-19 Virus Update

The Sunday afternoon report from the TN Dept. of Health says McMinn County has now had 117 cases of the coronavirus. Five of the patients have died. Twenty-eight have recovered. State-wide, Tennessee has 14,985 cases with 243 deaths.

The latest information from Life Care Center of Athens is that eight residents have now died from the coronavirus. Three others are hospitalized. Life Care officials say 71 residents and 46 associates have tested positive for coronavirus. That is a total of 117 cases of the virus among residents and workers.

◆ MORE VIRUS-RELATED NEWS

✓ Effective immediately, The Good Faith Clinic will operate under new hours and guidelines. Clinics will be held Tuesday, May 12th, and Tuesday, May 26th. The Clinic will be open from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. for refills only (drive through). Stay in your car and bring a list of needed refills. At 3:30 p.m. sign-ins will take place under the tent for physician visits. Priority will be new patients, acute illness/new medical issues, uncontrolled blood pressure or diabetic issues. If time allows, patients with chronic conditions that require follow-up will be seen. Patients should have a face covering and family members should remain in their car. Church facilities will not be used. Patients will go from vehicle to clinic. There will be NO screening or treating patients with COVID-19. Those concerns should be addressed through the county Health Department or the Emergency Room.

Local News

◆ An Athens woman is in custody after allegedly stabbing a man late last Thursday night. McMinn County Sheriff Joe Guy says the stabbing occurred at a residence on County Road 110. The victim was Schon Pilcher, 32. Pilcher told deputies he had been stabbed by Tiffany Howard, 26, of CR 108. Howard arranged to surrender to officers at the Athens Walmart. She has been charged with Aggravated Assault.

◆ The Athens City School Board will meet this evening at 4:30 p.m. The meeting is not open to the public due to the coronavirus. The public can access the meeting via live streaming on the Athens City Schools Facebook page.

◆ Aircraft from the Tennessee Air National Guard will salute the state's medical professionals and first responders during a state-wide flyover Tuesday, May 12. Planes from the 164th Airlift Wing in Memphis and the 134th Air Refueling Wing in Knoxville will fly over dozens of hospitals and healthcare facilities throughout the state. Folks in Athens will be able to see a KC-135 from Knoxville fly over at 12:15 p.m. The plane will overfly Bradley County at 12:20 and Hamilton County at 12:25.

LISTENING REMINDER: The Main Street Athens radio show, "Main Street Moments," this week will feature Rob Preston, CEO of the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce, as the guest. You can hear the program each Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI Radio, FM 94.5 and AM 1390 or online at wxyi.com

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- Monday-Sweetwater-Little Drugs-10:30 - 2:30
- Tuesday-Athens-PaPaw's Place -10:30 - 2:30
- Wednesday-Etowah-10:30 - 2:30 (across from Johnson's Dept Store)
- Thursday-Loudon -11:00 - 2:30
- Friday-Sweetwater-Little Drugs-10:30 - 2:30
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Obituaries - continued

♦ **Carl Harris**, age 72, of Etowah, died Saturday at his home. He was a professional drag racer and broke over 12 world records for speed. He also owned the Highway 411 Amoco service station and Harris Machine Shop in Etowah. Funeral services will be 7 p.m. Monday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

♦ **Phillip Augustus Stanley**, age 85, of Athens, died Friday at Grace Healthcare in Decatur. He was a native of Due, Georgia, but grew up in Bradley County. After joining the Marines, he moved to Nashville. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Central Time Thursday, May 14th, at Woodlawn Cemetery in Nashville. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

Obituaries

♦ **Julia Annalee Grindell Freeman**, age 90, of Athens, died last Thursday at Life Care Center of Athens. A Memorial service will be held at a later date. Ziegler Funeral home is in charge.

♦ **Ruth Alice Ward Walsh**, age 95, of Athens, died last Thursday at her residence. A private graveside service will be held Monday at Cedar Grove Cemetery. A Celebration of Life Service will be held at a later date. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **Sarah Inis Crabtree**, age 88, of Decatur, died Friday at her home. A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at Pisgah Cemetery, with visitation from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Bowers Funeral Home.

♦ **Michael Dewayne McMillan**, age 52, of Athens, died Saturday at his home. He was a former manager of the Waffle House. Graveside services will be Tuesday in Cedar Grove Cemetery, with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday at Laycock-Hobbs.

SECOND ARREST MADE IN WOMAN'S MURDER

Athens police have made a second arrest in the murder of 27-year-old Layla Long last Tuesday morning at the Clem Jones Housing complex. Joseph Kibodeaux, 28, was arrested early Sunday morning at a residence on Breckenridge Street. Earlier in the week, police arrested Johnathan Clayton on murder charges. They had been seeking Kibodeaux since the shooting. They developed information that he was at the house on Breckenridge. Officers surrounded the house and used loudspeakers to order Kibodeaux to come out. Kibodeaux, by the way, was arrested in 2019 on charges of attempted first degree murder in a shooting that left a woman injured by flying glass and resulted in the Ingleside School being locked down. A jury acquitted Kibodeaux this past January.



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