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Athens, Tennessee

Latest Update on Coronavirus

McMinn County has reported another case of the coronavirus, raising the total number of confirmed cases to 123. Forty-one of those patients have recovered, and there have been 9 deaths. Bradley County has had 75 cases of the virus, with 51 recovered and one death. Monroe County's total stands at 33 cases with 19 recovered and one death. In Meigs County, there are 22 cases so far and 17 have recovered. Tennessee's total number of cases has now reached 16,370 and there have been 273 deaths.

MORE VIRUS-RELATED NEWS

- ✓ Governor Bill Lee has signed new executive orders extending the state of emergency declaration from May 18th to June 30th to extend certain provisions related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Among them: the motor vehicle registration deadlines are extended until June 30th...drivers license renewal deadlines are extended until June 30th...enhanced handgun carry permits are extended through November 15th...administration of driving tests is suspended...issuance of REAL-ID driver licenses is suspended...and marriage licenses are extended until June 30th to accommodate delayed marriage ceremonies. The extension also gives the ability to get 90-day prescriptions on certain medications that had been limited to a 30-day supply.
- ✓ The Thrift Store at Coordinated Charities has re-opened. Coordinated Charities continues to provide free groceries for those in need.

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The Athens City Council will conduct a budget workshop at 4 p.m. today (Thursday) at the Municipal Building conference room.
- ✓ The McMinn County Commission will meet in regular session next Monday, May 18th, at 7:30 p.m. in the Blue Room of the Courthouse. Seats will be limited due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- ✓ The 2020 National Safe Boating Week is May 16-22. The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency will be participating to promote the wearing of life jackets as the summer boating season starts in full force. TWRA says the single most important action you can take to prevent drowning while boating is to wear a life jacket. Tomorrow, May 15th, is Wear Your Life Jacket to Work Day. TWRA urges you to share a photo of you wearing a life jacket to work on social media. Photos can also be emailed to outreach@safeboatingcouncil.org. Winners will be randomly drawn throughout the day to receive boating prizes such as T-shirts, dry bags, and first aid kits.
- ✓ Starr Regional Medical Center joins the American Hospital Association in celebrating National Hospital Week this week. Starr Regional employs nearly 700 staff and contributed more than \$7,482,959 in taxes to the local and state economies last year. The hospitals in Athens and Etowah provided nearly \$48 million of charity and uncompensated care to patients last year.

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Obituaries

WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. equities ended the day lower. Fed Chairman Jerome Powell warned that this recession could be prolonged and more painful than previously thought if Congress does not approve additional aid. Treasury yields fell.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 517 points or 2.2% to 23,248. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 50 points or 1.7% to 2,820, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 139 points or 1.5% to 8,863.

MEDIC TO HOST PARROT HEAD WEEK

MEDIC Regional Blood Center will host the annual Parrot Head Week next week to celebrate the start of summer and to increase the supply of blood products prior to the Memorial Day holiday. MEDIC is offering a special edition Parrot Head t-shirt, a May-field Ice Cream coupon, a Texas Roadhouse appetizer coupon, and more to anyone who donates a pint of blood next week. You can donate at the MEDIC Regional Donor Center on East Washington Ave. in Downtown Athens. MEDIC continues to follow social distancing guidelines and will continue wellness checks upon entry at all of its locations and blood drives. Donors are encouraged to make appointments. Additionally, they are encouraged to wear their own mask when onsite. The MEDIC Blood Center in Athens is located at 213 E. Washington Ave., and is open Tuesday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 453-5846.

April Home Sales

Tennessee Valley Appraisal Services reports there were 29 sales of single-family homes in McMinn County in April. Here is a listing of some of those: Data Provided by Tennessee Valley Appraisal Services www.tvasinc.com

County Rd 319, Niota -\$525,000 County Rd 110, Athens -\$515,000 County Rd 440, Athens -\$350,000 Deer Path Rd, Englewood -\$349,900 County Rd 130, Athens -\$275,000 Highland Ave., Athens -\$274,328 County Rd 50, Riceville -\$254,000 Co. Rd 876, Englewood -\$249,900 County Rd 82, Athens -\$237,000 Co. Rd 326, Sweetwater -\$219,900 Highway 30 E., Athens -\$187,500 English Lane, Athens -\$187,500 County Rd 534, Etowah -\$175,000 Oak St, Athens -\$171,000 Towanda Trail, Athens -\$169,900 Richardson St., Athens -\$169,000 North Ave., Athens -\$158,900 Guthrie Road, Athens -\$153,000 Highway 39 W., Athens -\$150,000 Sunnyside Ave, Englewood - \$129,900 Wilkins Ave., Etowah -\$115,000 College St., Calhoun -\$109,400

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