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Monday, June 22, 2020

Athens, Tennessee

COVID-19 Virus Update

As of Sunday, Tennessee has had 35,102 cases of COVID-19 (up 656), with 23,067 recoveries and 526 deaths. McMinn County reports 173 cases with 138 recoveries and 15 deaths. Rhea County shows 256 cases, with 227 recoveries. Meigs County reports 31 cases, with 25 recoveries. Monroe County's total is 108 with 82 recoveries and 4 deaths. Bradley County has 338 cases, 244 recoveries, and 3 deaths. Polk County reports 32 cases with 26 recoveries.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Meigs County Fair for this year has been canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- ✓ The Good Faith Clinic will be open Tuesday, June 23rd, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. for drive-through refills. Sign-in for physician visits at 4 p.m.
- ✓ The Athens Parks Foundation has decided to name the annual July 4th fireworks display at Athens Regional Park after the late Buddy Liner. Liner was a former Foundation trustee and one of the major fundraisers for the annual fireworks show. He was also a fundraiser for many other projects in Athens over the years.

LISTENING REMINDER: The guest on the Main Street Athens radio show, "Main Street Moments," this week will be Acacia Stillwell, coordinator of the Celebration of Nations Festival. You can hear the program each Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI Radio, FM 94.5 and AM 1390 or online at wysi.com

They Made It, Despite It All!

Despite the unexpected closing of school due to the coronavirus pandemic, the graduating seniors at Meigs County High School finally got their diplomas. The 2020 graduation ceremony was held this past Saturday night on the school's football field. The seniors were seated six feet apart on the field. Their family members watched from the stands, also separated from other families by six feet. Brian Vincent sent us the photo below.



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To our loyal customers: We had planned to open June 1st, however, with the current meat situation we are unable to get the meat shipments required until the meat processing issues are resolved. With that said, we will have to delay the opening. At the present time, we do not have an anticipated opening date. **Western Sizzlin.**

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

♦ **Michael "Mike" Alan Glover**, age 59, of Athens, died Thursday at his residence. He was an employee of Ag-Central as a truck driver. Funeral services will be 7 p.m. Tuesday at Mt. Verd Baptist Church, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at the church. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **Betty Marie Stafford**, age 77, of Etowah, died June 15th at her home. The family will receive friends Monday and Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Athens Chapel of Companion Funeral Home, with the funeral service at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

♦ **William Don Burke**, age 68, of Cleveland, died June 15th. He grew up in Athens and was a member of the MCHS Class of 1969. He served as the golf coach at Bradley County High School for the past 7 years. The family has chosen not to have any public gatherings at this time due to COVID-19. Companion Funeral Home of Cleveland is in charge of arrangements.

♦ **Ruth McNabb Moses**, age 87, of Athens, died Saturday at Starr Regional Health and Rehab in Etowah. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m.

♦ **Robert "Bobby" Williamson**, age 70, of Niota, died last Friday at his residence. He served for 7 years on the Union Grove Volunteer Fire Department. The family will have a private Celebration of Life at a later date. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge.

Fire Destroys Car

The Etowah and Englewood Rural Fire Departments were dispatched when this 2001 Mercury Grand Marquis caught fire on County Road 609 last Thursday morning. The car was destroyed by the fire. (Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Dept)



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