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## Today's News... This Morning

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Tuesday, July 28, 2020

Athens, Tennessee

### Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The Athens City School Board will have a called meeting Wednesday (July 29th). One of the items on the agenda is the Athens City Schools Reopening Plan for the 2020-2021 school year. The School Board will have a work session at 5:30 p.m. and immediately following the work session, the School Board will hold a called meeting.
- ✓ The McMinn County Board of Education will have a called meeting on Wednesday (July 29th) at 5:30 p.m. MCS-Virtual Teaching is the only item on the agenda.
- ✓ The Good Faith Clinic will be held this afternoon at 18 South Congress Parkway in Athens. From 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. it will be drive-through refills only. Stay in your car and bring a list of needed refills. At 4 p.m. you can sign in for physician visits. Patients should have face coverings and remain in their car until escorted to the clinic. The Good Faith Clinic is for residents of McMinn and Meigs Counties who have no health insurance.
- ✓ First Baptist Church of Niota has decided to cancel their Vacation Bible School that had been scheduled for July 31st-August 2nd due to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic.
- ✓ The UT Extension-McMinn is offering a free Living Well with Chronic Conditions online workshop. The 6-week course starts August 18th. The course will deal with such topics as finding effective ways to deal with pain, managing side effects, & better nutrition. For information, call 745-2852.

### Unemployment Down in Area

Unemployment rates dropped in June in 74 of Tennessee's 95 counties, including counties in the Athens area. Williamson County recorded the lowest unemployment, 6.7% Shelby County had the state's highest unemployment rate in June, 13.2%.  
**McMinn County:** The June jobless rate was 9.9%, down from 11.5% in May.  
**Monroe County:** Unemployment in June was 9.9%, down from 12.4% in May.  
**Meigs County:** The June unemployment rate was 10.7%. That was down from 11.5% in May.  
**Bradley County:** The June unemployment rate was 8.5%, down from 9.3% in May.  
**Polk County:** The Unemployment rate for June was 8.3%, down from 9.5% in May.

#### THE LATEST COVID-19 REPORT

Tennessee's COVID-19 cases continue to surge. There are now 96,489 cases to date, up 2,553 since Sunday. The deaths stand at 978, up 11 from yesterday.  
**McMinn County:** 430 cases, up 7...148 active...20 deaths  
**Meigs County:** 81 cases to date, 45 active (not recovered yet)  
**Monroe County:** 271 cases to date...113 active...7 deaths  
**Polk County:** 110 cases to date, with 55 still active  
**Bradley County:** 1,492 cases to date...508 are active (not recovered)...10 deaths (up one from Sunday)

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**WEATHER FORECAST**  
**Tuesday:** Some sun. Cloudy & humid. T'storm in p.m. High 89.  
**Tue Night:** Cloudy & humid. Possible t'storms. Low 71.  
**Wednesday:** Mostly cloudy & humid. High 87.  
**Wed Night:** Cloudy & humid. Low 71.  
 More Weather at: [wxyi.com](http://wxyi.com)

## MOVIE NIGHT

Thursday, July 30 | Movie to Start at Dusk  
 Swingin' Midway Drive-in Theatre



Join TVFCU for Community Movie Night!

*Secret Life of Pets (2016)*  
 Free Admission for first 250 cars  
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## Obituaries

♦ **Shirley Roderick**, age 73, of Athens, died Monday. Arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.

## Earthquake in McMinn County

The U.S. Geological Survey reported a 2.9 magnitude earthquake on Monday around 12:23 p.m. The earthquake was 3.2 miles ENE of Calhoun and 11.0 miles SSW of Athens. The area affected was about 1.2 miles by 3 miles and was about 3.72 miles underground. No damage or injuries were reported.

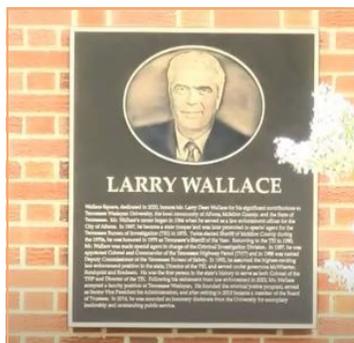
## WALLACE HONORED BY TWU

Tennessee Wesleyan University has honored Larry Wallace by naming the newly renovated University Square portion of the campus after him.

The new name is "Wallace Square." A ceremony was held last Friday. Wallace was not aware that it was going to be named for him. The ceremony was attended by TWU officials, State Sen. Mike Bell, State Rep. Mark Cochran, and Athens Vice



Mayor Bo Perkinson. Wallace was a former McMinn County Sheriff, served on the Tennessee Highway Patrol, and was director of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation. He also founded TWU's Criminal Justice Program and is currently a member of the TWU Board of Trustees. A surprised Wallace is shown above. The photo on the left shows the new plaque which is now posted at Wallace



Square.

(Photos from [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) courtesy of TWU)

## First School at FBC

First School, a Christ-centered preschool experience for 3 and 4 year olds, will be held at First Baptist Church of Athens. Register now for the fall semester. Three or five days are available. Parents' Day Out also available on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For information, call 745-5441.

## E&E Manufacturing is HIRING!



**Please join us for our Open Hiring Event Wednesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>!**

**Please wear a mask!**

An automotive supplier of specialty metal stampings, stamped metal fasteners and assemblies is seeking qualified individuals to submit resumes.

**Where:** E&E Manufacturing  
2000 Tellico Avenue  
Athens, TN 37303

**When:** Wednesday July 29th  
Session 1-10:00am-12:00pm  
Session 2- 3:00pm-5:00pm

**What can I expect?** E&E Manufacturing's Human Resources team will be conducting on the spot interviews as well as hosting information sessions regarding benefits and employment perks over refreshments and light snacks.

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