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Friday, February 5, 2021

Athens, Tennessee

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Due to the current COVID situation,, the Annual Etowah Chamber of Commerce Banquet has been temporarily postponed. Executive Director Durant Tullock says they are considering moving the banquet to September.
- ✓ Broadband internet service is on its way to currently unserved parts of McMinn, Meigs, Monroe, Polk, & Bradley counties. Senator Mike Bell and Rep. Mark Cochran say Charter Communications will invest \$5.2 million to expand access to 3,665 households in McMinn County, \$1.6 million to expand access to 1,567 households in the Cottonport area of Meigs County, \$4.4 million to expand to 1,659 homes in the Reliance, Greasy Creek, & Ducktown areas, \$1.25 million to expand access to 1,000 households in the Northeast & Southeast parts of Bradley County, and \$2.2 million for 2,154 homes in Monroe County.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Thursday P.M.

Tennessee: 736,370 cases, up 3,154. 10,202 deaths, up 169.

COUNTY	CASES	RECOVERED	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	5,454 up 21	5,125	247	82 up 2
Meigs	1,235 up 5	1,167	50	18
Monroe	4,935 up 23	4,616	244	75 up 3
Polk	1,589 up 11	1,475	93	21 up 2
Bradley	11,770 up 74	11,100	546	124 up 2
Rhea	4,022 up 11	3,841	118	63

New President for Quilt Guild

The McMinn County Heritage Quilt Guild has chosen its new president for 2021. At a meeting this past Tuesday night, Linda Mary Basket of Tellico Plains accepted the 2021 president's gavel from Janet Meek of Englewood, who served as the Guild's president for two years. The Quilt Guild meets the second Tuesday of each month. For more information, call Nancy Dalton at 263-7232. Pictured below is Linda Mary Basket on the left and Janet Meek on the right.




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The Grace House, a homeless shelter for addicted men, was founded as a community outreach effort by St. Paul's Episcopal Church. It consists of two homes in downtown Athens that can house up to 14 residents. The Grace House has always been a beacon of hope for those in need.

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

♦ **Larry Bron Wood**, age 68, of Athens, died Wednesday at his home. He had worked at Pioneer Furniture. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. on Sunday at Ziegler.

♦ **Dorothy Marie Van Meter Clark**, age 90, of Athens, died Wednesday at Starr Regional. She had worked at Riddle & Wallace Drug Store. A Memorial Service will be at 12 noon Saturday at Fairview Baptist Church with visitation beginning at 10 a.m. Ziegler is in charge.

♦ **Larry Eugene "Butch" Wheaton**, age 70, of Niota, died Thursday at his home. He had worked at Vulcan Materials. Funeral services will be 7 p.m. Saturday at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation starting at 5 p.m.

♦ **Arnold R. Tallent**, age 85, of Etowah, died Thursday. He had served in the National Guard and was retired from Bordwine Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Friday at 7 p.m. at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

♦ **Wanda Wilson**, age 81, of Etowah, died Thursday. Arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.

A MOMENT OF BLACK HISTORY



Frances Durethia Williams was born March 8, 1950, to Dupree and Helen Queener Williams of Knoxville. She graduated high school in McMinn County in 1968 and obtained her Masters from the University of Tennessee. She taught kindergarteners at Calhoun Elementary School for 34 years. She was a member of the St. Mark A.M.E. Zion Church where she served on the Trustee Board, Usher Board, and the Women's Missionary Board. She was also chairman of the Athens Housing Authority, a member of the NAACP, and a member of the J.L. Cook Reunion Committee.

Church News & Events

• If you or someone you know is battling addiction, struggling with anger, or other life issues, Planted In Christ Outreach Fellowship, 317 Maple Street, invites you to attend free Outreach Deliverance Classes every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Call: 423-435-8986.

• You are invited to Celebrate Recovery at Jones Chapel on Sunday night, February 7th, from 6 to 8 p.m. You will be blessed with worship, groups, and a to-go meal. Groups are for anyone, including family members of anyone dealing with hang-ups, hurts, life challenges, loss and distractions. Everyone is welcome at Jones Chapel, 590 County Road 778.

• Valley Christian Academy is selling Valentine Cookie gifts. To place an order, call 462-3008.

• Transformation Project, a 12-month non-residential discipleship and recovery program, is underway at Athens First Baptist Church. The program is for anyone with a life-controlling problem. It can also serve as an alternative sentencing program. For more details, call Sarah Kite, director, at 745-5441.

• The annual singing and fund-raiser for Burke's Gospel Jubilee radio program will not be held this year due to COVID-19. If you would like to make a donation, contact Stanley Blair at 507-4452.

NOTE: If you have church news or church events you would like us to include in this Friday column, email them to us at:

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