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## Today's News...This Morning

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Friday, February 19, 2021

Athens, Tennessee

### Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Due to the fire at the Athens Housing Authority, the administrative offices have been moved to 424 Old Riceville Road, the former Dakota Place building that is part of the Forrest Hills Development. The office should be open for normal business on Monday, February 22nd. Due to COVID-19, the office will be closed to the public without a prior appointment. A dropbox will be located at the main entrance for payments and paperwork drop-offs. Housing Authority staff will be able to provide assistance by telephone (745-0341) once the systems are functional.
- ✓ The McMinn County Commission's Emergency Services Committee will meet on Monday, Feb. 22nd, at 6 p.m. in the Blue Room of the Courthouse. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss fire hydrant requests, truck replacement, communications update, and the AMR contract.

### ◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Thursday 2-18

Tennessee: 761,301 cases, up 998. 11,057 deaths, up 72.

COUNTY	CASES	RECOVERED	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	5,801 up 14	5,521	192	88
Meigs	1,245 up 2	1,202	23	20
Monroe	5,190 up 22	4,943	159	88 up 1
Polk	1,703 up 9	1,585	97	21
Bradley	12,530 up 22	11,910	485	135 up 3
Rhea	4,082 up 3	3,928	84	70 up 2

### State Headlines

- ✓ Dolly Parton has asked state leaders to withdraw a bill to have a statue of her placed on the Tennessee State Capitol ground. Dolly says she is "honored and humbled" by the intention of lawmakers, but believes the move is not appropriate at this time. The country legend says years from now if the Legislature feels she still deserves the honor, she would stand proud as a grateful Tennessean in the Capitol.
  - ✓ More than one million unemployment claims have been filed in Tennessee since the pandemic broke out in March of last year. The latest week-to-week Tennessee unemployment claims and continuing claims have decreased slightly. Last week, the Tennessee Department of Labor reported 8,110 new claims were filed in the state. That's the lowest number of new claims since December 26th.
  - ✓ A nine-year-old boy has died after a sledding accident in Brentwood. Police say the child was riding on a tube, along with three other children, being pulled down a road by an ATV that was driven by the boy's father. As the tube was sliding through the snow and ice, it collided with a mailbox, critically injuring the nine-year-old. He died at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. The three other children were not hurt.
- JUST FOR THE RECORD: Spring officially starts in 28 days.**

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**Friday:** Partly sunny and cold. High 42.  
**Fri Night:** Mostly clear and very cold. Low 19.  
**Saturday:** Mostly sunny and chilly. High 45.  
**Sat Night:** Clear and very cold. Low 21.  
**Sunday:** Sunny. High 56.  
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## Obituaries

♦ **Brenda Ann Roberts**, age 74, of Englewood, died Monday at her home. There will be no public services at this time in honor of her wishes. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of the arrangements.

♦ **Lester (Dale) "Cowboy" Corbitt**, age 61, of Niota, died Tuesday at Turkey Creek Medical Center. A graveside service and interment will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Niota Cemetery. Those attending are asked to wear masks and practice social distancing. The family will receive friends from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. at Bireley-Hale Funeral Home in Madisonville.



## 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 Outreach Deliverance Classes every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Call: 423-435-8986

- Ascension Life Church has moved to two services on Sunday mornings. The first service starts at 9 a.m. and the second service will begin at 11 a.m. They will be identical, with the same worship songs, the same speaker, and the same message. However, there will be no nursery or children's church offered for the 9 a.m. service.

- Cedar Springs Methodist Church is having its spring bake sale on Saturday, March 27th, at 1326 Cedar Springs Road. Just like November, it will be phone-in orders only. Call 649-3773 to place your order between now and March 5th. Then come by the church between 8 and noon on the 27th to pick up the items.

- Athens Lutheran Church will be having Wednesday Lenten Services starting February 24th at 7 p.m. The church is located at 10 Forrest Avenue.

- 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.

- Jones Chapel UMC invites you to Celebrate Recovery Sunday nights from 6 to 8 p.m., with worship, groups, and a to-go meal. Groups are for anyone dealing with hang-ups, hurts, life challenges and loss.



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