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- ✓ A change has been made in procedures for testing and vaccination at the McMinn County Health Department. Effective immediately, drive-through testing will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 to 9 a.m. (no appointment needed). Self-testing will be M-F, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Covid-19 vaccine will be given M-F, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. by appointment. (Call 745-7431).
- ✓ The Etowah Senior Center will be providing free at-home COVID vaccinations to those who are homebound. You must be at least 18 and live in McMinn, Meigs, or Monroe counties. To sign up, call 781-7632.
- ✓ The small and large dog parks located at Prof Powers Park will be closed today, Sept. 29th, and tomorrow for installation of benches. The dog parks will reopen on Friday, Oct. 1st.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Tuesday 9-28

Tennessee: 1,220,784 cases up 3,390. 15,055 deaths up 103.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	10,046 up 23	389 down 74	117 up 2
Meigs	2,079 up 5	67 down 11	25
Monroe	9,247 up 38	343 down 36	114 up 1
Polk	3,011 up 12	117 down 5	27 up 2
Bradley	21,316 up 48	802 down 79	170
Rhea	6,648 up 26	310 down 44	89

Beauty & the Beast Opens Thurs.

The Athens Community Theatre presents "Beauty and the Beast" September 30-October 10 at The Arts Center. The classic story tells of Belle (played by Miriam Offutt), a young woman in a provincial town, and the Beast (played by Jacob Efav), who is really a young prince trapped under the spell of an enchantress. Shows are Thursday-Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Masks will be required for all shows and the actors will also be masked. Proof of vaccination will be required for the 10/3 & 10/7 shows.

ATHENS RESTAURANT OWNER ARRESTED

Special agents from the TN Department of Revenue have arrested Jesus Sanchez, co-owner and manager of Mexi-Wing II on Decatur Pike, Athens, for felony tax evasion and theft. A McMinn County Grand Jury indicted him on charges of theft of property over \$10,000, filing false sales tax returns, and tax evasion. The TN Department of Revenue says Sanchez attempted to evade sales tax through falsely filed tax returns from March 2015 to November 2017.

CORRECTION: In the story in Tuesday's Morning Fax about an Etowah City School teacher being suspended, we said he was suspended **without** pay. Actually he was suspended **with** pay.

✓ The guest on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be Dr. Mike Womack. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5 or [ONLINE](#).

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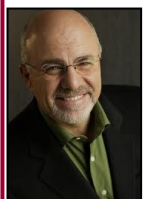
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WEATHER FORECAST
Wednesday - Mostly sunny & pleasant. High 84.
Wednesday night - Partly cloudy. High 59.
Thursday - Pleasant with sun and some clouds. High 84.
Thursday night - Partly cloudy. Low 60.
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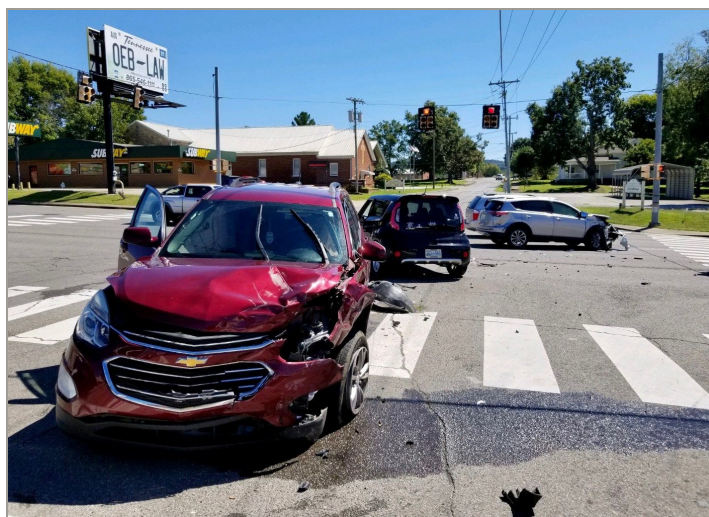
Obituaries

- ♦ **Michelle Leigh Garrison Carpenter**, age 45, of Decatur, died last Thursday, Sept. 23rd, at Sweetwater Hospital. A graveside service was held Tuesday, September 28th, at Foster Cemetery. Ziegler Funeral Home was in charge.
- ♦ **George Stanley Cansler**, age 71, of Niota, died Monday at Sweetwater Hospital. He worked as an asphalt plant operator for 45 years, retiring from Harrison-Apac Construction in Knoxville. Funeral services will be held at Good Samaritan Funeral Home on Wednesday, September 29, at 2 p.m., with visitation from noon to 2 p.m. Burial will follow at Clearwater Cemetery.
- ♦ **Cory Lashawn McGaughey**, age 41, formerly of Sweetwater, died Wednesday, September 22nd, at Vanderbilt Medical Center. For the last five years, he worked as a master carpenter. Funeral services will be Saturday, October 2nd, at 1 p.m. at M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home in Athens, with visitation from noon to 1 p.m. Interment will follow at West End Cemetery in Sweetwater.
- ♦ **James "Ben" McKenzie**, age 63, of Decatur, died Monday, September 27th, at Tennova Healthcare of Cleveland. He was a Navy Veteran and worked at Whirlpool. No formal funeral service will be held per his wishes. The family will receive friends on Thursday, September 30, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Decatur Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Betty Faye (Tay) Burgess**, age 84, of Chattanooga, died Tuesday at Signature Healthcare in Cleveland. A Graveside service will be at 4 p.m. Friday at Foster Cemetery with visitation from 2 to 3 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home prior to the service.
- ♦ **Skylar Hawn**, age 24, of Etowah, died Saturday. A memorial service will be Friday at 7 p.m. at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the service.

One Injured in 3-Car Wreck

A three car accident happened last Friday afternoon around 1:30 at the intersection of Amhurst Place and Englewood Avenue in Englewood. The wreck involved a 2016 Chevy Equinox, a 2016 Toyota RAV4, and a 2017 Kia Soul. There was one minor injury. The Englewood Fire Department and AMR responded. Englewood Police Officer Bryan Godsey investigated.

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