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Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Next week is Thanksgiving week. The Etowah City and Meigs County schools will be out the entire week. The McMinn County and Athens City Schools will be out from Wednesday through Friday.
- ✓ The Athens Public Works Department announces that Thompson Street will be closed from Shoemaker Street to W. Madison Avenue on Thanksgiving Day from 6:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. for the Keith Methodist Church Turkey Trot 5K Run/Walk.
- ✓ The Etowah Arts Commission will host an artist meet and greet for Barbara Ensley and her exhibit, "The Invisible Thread" this coming Sunday, Nov. 21st, from 2 to 4 p.m.
- ✓ The McMinn County Historical Society will be moving from the basement of the Courthouse to the old McMinn County Health Department and Agriculture Building on West College Street in the next few weeks.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Thursday 11-18

Tennessee: 1,302,201 cases up 1,749. 16,796 deaths up 7.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	10,659 up 4	68	137
Meigs	2,215 up 2	16 up 2	30
Monroe	9,870 up 13	83 up 11	126
Polk	3,229 up 3	22 down 2	31
Bradley	22,463 up 24	168 up 15	212
Rhea	7,059 up 8	40 up 4	97

Students Win Awards

Each year, the Optimist Club of Athens recognizes two students from each of the schools in McMinn County with the Student Achievement Award. This year's recipients are shown below.

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Peggy Ann (Norton) Sturgill**, age 83, of Athens, died Monday, Nov. 15th. Funeral services will be Friday, Nov. 19th, at 7 p.m. at Fairview Baptist Tabernacle in Sweetwater, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Pisgah Cemetery. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge.
- ♦ **Wanda Neely**, age 76, of Decatur, died Thursday. Graveside services will be held on Saturday, Nov. 20th, at 2 p.m. at Grasshopper Cemetery, with visitation at Decatur Funeral Home from noon to 1 p.m., prior to the graveside service.
- ♦ **Martha Evelyn Cockrell Graham**, age 79, of Etowah, died Wednesday. She was a local hairdresser for many years. Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Green Hill Cemetery. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.
- ♦ **Gerald "Jerry" Poats**, age 91, of Elizabethton, and formerly of Athens, died Wednesday at Hillview Health and Rehab. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.

THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT: Equity markets traded in a narrow range, with gains in the tech sector helping the S&P 500 and NASDAQ finish modestly higher. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 60.10 to 35,870.95. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 15.87 to 4,704.54, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 72.14 points to 15,993.71.

Church News & Events

- The Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot is back for 2021. The Turkey Trot is sponsored by Keith Methodist Church and starts at 8 a.m. on November 25th. Register online at keithumc.org.
- RTTN Church of Athens will distribute boxes of Thanksgiving Food on Saturday at 10 a.m. The church is located on Clearwater Road at South Congress Parkway.
- Boyd Memorial Church of God will have their annual Community Thanksgiving Meal Saturday, Nov. 20th, from 4 to 6 p.m. or until the food runs out. It will be "drive-through" only.
- The St. Mark AME Zion Church Food Pantry Ministry will have a food giveaway Saturday, Nov. 20th, starting at 1:30 p.m. until the food is all gone. The church is located at 707 N. Jackson St., Athens.
- The GriefShare support group at Mars Hill Presbyterian Church will meet this Sunday afternoon at 2. Anyone dealing with grief recovery is invited to attend.
- Celebrate Recovery meets every Sunday at 6 p.m. at the Englewood Church of God.
- The Cooke Ministry Center Friday night singing tonight features the Sunrise Trio. The singing starts at 7 p.m.
- If you or someone you know is battling addiction, struggling with anger, or other life issues, Planted In Christ Outreach Fellowship, 317 Maple Street, in Athens, invites you to attend Outreach Deliverance Classes every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

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