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## Today's News... This Morning

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Thursday, September 15, 2022 Athens, Tennessee

### Broadband Expansion Announced

According to a report issued in 2020 by the Federal Communications Commission, one in six rural Tennesseans lacks access to broadband internet service. The Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development has awarded nearly \$120 million in broadband grants over the past few years to expand broadband in rural areas of the state. Now, almost a half-billion dollars will be awarded in new grants to provide broadband to more than 150,000 underserved homes and businesses across 58 Tennessee counties. In Southeast Tennessee, grants have been awarded to:

- Charter Communications, Inc.**  
\$20,429,809 to serve parts of McMinn, Meigs, and Loudon Counties.
- Tellico Telephone Company**  
\$12,958,999 to serve parts of Monroe County
- Volunteer Energy Cooperative**  
\$15,397,512 to serve parts of Bradley and Polk Counties

### Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Ingleside school students will not report to school today due to plumbing problems. Staff will report at their regular time.
- ✓ MEDIC Blood Center is teaming up with Eddie Check again this year to offer free PSA testing to men over 40 this Thursday and Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup>. MEDIC will compete against LifeSouth Blood Center from September 19<sup>th</sup> through the 23<sup>rd</sup> in the annual blood drive competition. All donors will receive a special edition tie-dye orange t-shirt and coupons for Texas Roadhouse, Salsarita's, Papa John's, Smoothie King, and Dunkin'. All donors are automatically entered to win a tailgate basket. Appointments are always encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome. MEDIC staff does anticipate a wait for donors during the promotion week. Appointments can be made by calling 865-524-3074. MEDIC is an independent, nonprofit organization. Products donated through MEDIC truly help community members in East TN and Southeastern Kentucky. MEDIC of Athens is located at 213 E. Washington Avenue. They are open Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Visit their website at [www.medicblood.com](http://www.medicblood.com)

## 70th Annual Athens Kiwanis BBQ Sale

**Friday, September 16 • 11am to 7pm (or until sold out)**  
 Two Locations: Market Park Pavilion in Downtown Athens and Simmons Bank on Congress Parkway

\$12 Tickets good for one package\* of BBQ or two bottles of Gus Bagley's Famous BBQ Sauce  
 Proceeds benefit the Youth of McMinn County.  
 \*packages are approximately 1lb each.

**McMinn County Living Heritage Museum**  
**Upcoming Events**

Saturday, September 17, 11 AM  
 Cemetery Preservation with Graham Perry. Free for members/\$5 for non-members.

Thursday, September 22, NOON  
 Bring your lunch and enjoy an interview with the interesting Grubb Brothers as they share their entertaining stories about growing up and playing sports in Athens.

Saturday, September 24, 11 AM  
 Heritage School Macrame with Jennifer Freeman. Call to Register.

Thursday, September 22 - Saturday, September 24  
 Quilt receiving for The Annual Quilt Show - Celebrating 40 Years of History.  
 Programs sponsored by C. Scott & Muriel S. Mayfield Family Foundation, Tennessee Arts Commission, Hugh M. Wilson Family Foundation, and City of Athens

Hours	Admission
Tuesday - Friday: 10 AM - 5 PM	\$5.00
Saturday: 10 AM - 4 PM	\$3.00
Sunday - Monday: Closed	\$1.00

**More Information**  
 522 W Madison Ave.  
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[www.livingheritagemuseum.org](http://www.livingheritagemuseum.org)

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 All proceeds support **BSA Troop 118** for the upcoming fiscal year's programs & activities.

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Athens, Tennessee

## Wednesday's Market Report

Stocks finished higher after Wednesday's sizable sell-off. Technology names were the hardest hit by the news that inflation remains higher than the Fed's 2% target. Ten-year Treasury yields moved higher to around 3.4%. Oil traded around \$88/barrel. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 30.12 to 31,135.09. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 13.32 to 3,946.01, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 86.10 to 11,719.68.

### ◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE

Weekly Summary: 09/04/22 - 09/10/22

There were 1,584 cases (per day) and 2 deaths (per day) last week

**Tennessee:** 2,319,715 Total Cases 27,538 Total Deaths

COUNTY	CASES	DEATHS
McMinn	18,793	274
Meigs	3,887	60
Monroe	16,652	252
Polk	5,266	85
Bradley	36,903	430
Rhea	11,105	164

Covid-19 update information from the Tennessee Department of Health is updated on Saturday and posted to their website each Wednesday.

## Today in History

**1789** - American novelist James Fenimore Cooper was born. He wrote "The Last of the Mohicans."

**1821** - Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and El Salvador became independent from Spain.

**1857** - Our 27th President, William Howard Taft, was born. He did not enjoy being president and called the White House "the loneliest place in the world."

**1885** - The world-famous elephant "Jumbo" died after being hit by a train. He had performed in P.T. Barnum's circus all over the world.

**1916** - Tanks were used in war for the first time. The Allies used them on the Western Front during World War One.

**1917** - Russia was proclaimed a republic by Alexander Kerensky, the head of a provisional government.

**1963** - Four black girls were killed when a bomb exploded during Sunday services at a Baptist church in Birmingham, Ala., in one of the deadliest acts of the civil rights era.

**1973** - Secretariat won the Marlboro Cup and set a world record for the 1-1/8 mile event. The legendary thoroughbred won in 1 minute, 45-2/3 seconds and earned \$250,000.

**1982** - The first edition of the USA Today newspaper was published.

**2000** - The Summer Olympics opened in Sydney, Australia.



October 8

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