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Monday, March 9, 2020 Athens, Tennessee

Area Grant Checks Delivered

Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development Commissioner Bob Rolfe was in Athens on Friday, along with local elected officials and members of the Tennessee General Assembly, to present five checks for rural development grants totaling nearly \$4 million. Two of the checks were for broadband accessibility which will serve about 1,600 citizens in rural McMinn and Monroe counties who do not have access to internet service. Three checks will go to Monroe County, Englewood and Tellico Plains, which will assist those areas with infrastructure improvements, and health and safety initiatives. In the photo: (L-R) McMinn County Mayor John Gentry, Englewood City Manager Richard Clowers, Englewood Mayor Jason Hitt (holding check), Southeast Tennessee Development District Representative Chuck Hammonds, Assistant Commissioner of Rural Development Sammie Arnold, Grants Director Kent Archer, State Senator Mike Bell (holding check), Commissioner Bob Rolfe, and State Representative Mark Cochran. Photo submitted by Jennifer McEachern, with TNECD.



National and World News

~ A hospital in Cookeville, Tennessee hospital won't charge any medical fees for the dozens of patients who were affected by last week's deadly tornadoes. Cookeville Regional Medical Center reported that 82 people were treated for injuries after Tuesday's storms that ripped through Nashville and other Middle Tennessee counties. The hospital will bill each patient's insurance company and will accept the insurance payment as payment in full.

~ Passengers on board a cruise ship hit by the coronavirus will be flown to Georgia in the next two days. Georgia Governor Brian Kemp said that 34 Georgians and additional American citizens from the eastern United States, who are currently on the Grand Princess cruise ship off the California coast, will be securely transferred to Dobbins Air Reserve Base in Marietta. The passengers will undergo testing and be quarantined for possible exposure to COVID-19. They are expected to arrive at Dobbins late Monday or early Tuesday.

~ In Chicago, an off-duty police officer is under investigation after allegedly leaving a gun behind in a school bathroom that was discovered by three young students. The incident happened at Catherine Cook School when three young girls told their teachers that they found a gun when they were inside a girl's restroom.

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Monday - Mostly sunny with increasing clouds. High 64.
Mon. night - Cloudy. Some late night showers. Low 54.
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Obituaries

- ♦ **Sandra Moore Mosier**, age 69, died Friday night at her home. The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 p.m. on Monday at Ziegler Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Aldeana Shelton Stafford**, age 56, of Athens, died early Sunday morning at her home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.
- ♦ **David T. Tacker**, age 56, of Cleveland, and formerly from Athens, died Friday at his residence. Arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens.
- ♦ **Catherine "Cathy" Sue Knox**, age 71, of Niota, died Saturday in Sweetwater Hospital. She was a resident of McMinn County for 48 years. A funeral service will be 7 p.m. Monday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation beginning at 5 p.m.
- ♦ **Amber Allen**, age 43, of Englewood, died Friday at her residence. She was a former dental assistant. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Sunrise Cemetery. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- ♦ **Lucille Belcher Mayfield**, age 86, of Etowah, died Friday. Funeral services were held Sunday at Bordwine Funeral Home. A committal service will be held Monday at 11 a.m. at Green Hill Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.
- ♦ **Amanda Elizabeth Lingerfelt Knox**, age 95, of Niota, (Clearwater Community) died Friday in Life Care of Athens. She formerly owned and operated Clearwater Market and was a Charter Member of Clearwater Baptist Church. Funeral services were held Sunday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home. Interment will be 11 a.m. Monday in Clearwater Cemetery.

Community News You Can Use

- ♦ The Good Faith Clinic will be open Tuesday, March 10th, beginning at 2:30 p.m. The GFC is for medically uninsured residents of McMinn and Meigs Counties. The clinic is located at 18 South Congress Parkway, Athens.
 - ♦ **Reminder:** The Hiwassee Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution will have a meeting tonight at 6:15 at Mexi-Wing Downtown. Gary Drinkard, Ph.D. will present a discussion about the beginning of Rhea County government and the founding of Old Washington in 1812 and the Rhea County seat.
- FRIDAY'S MARKET REPORT:** U.S. stocks closed down as countries continued to battle the corona virus epidemic. All sectors were lower. The energy sector performed the worst as oil prices. The Commerce Department reported that the U.S. foreign-trade gap in goods and services fell 6.7% from the prior month to \$45.34. The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 455 points, or 1.79%, for the week. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 257 points or 1.0% to 25,865. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 52 points or 1.7% to 2,972, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 163 points or 1.9% to 8,576.
- LISTENING REMINDER:** The Main Street Athens radio show, "Main Street Moments," this week will feature Erica Peden with the Athens-McMinn Family YMCA. You can hear the program each Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI Radio, FM 94.5 and AM 1390 or online at wysi.com

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