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Athens, Tennessee

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The E.G. Fisher Public Library in Athens is offering one-on-one technology help sessions each week. At the sessions, you can learn such things as how to fill out an online job application or post an item to Facebook Marketplace. Or maybe you have questions about using a new phone. All sessions are free. Call the library at 745-7782 for more information. All library patrons ages five and up and required to wear a mask. One-on-one Technology help sessions are offered Mondays and Fridays between 10 a.m. and 12 noon. Spanish language technology help sessions are Wednesdays between 2 and 4 p.m.
- ✓ The United Way of McMinn and Meigs Counties will be hosting their annual Power of the Purse fundraiser next week. This year it will be an online auction that begins on Wednesday, September 23rd at 8 a.m. and concludes on Thursday, September 24th at 11:59 p.m. Watch for links to the auction in the Morning Fax this coming Friday and Monday.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE TUESDAY P.M.

Tennessee: 175,231 cases, up 957. 2,127 deaths, up 30.

COUNTY	CASES	RECOVERED	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	962 up 8	836	102	24
Meigs	207 up 3	171	33	3
Monroe	955 no change	838	101	16 - 1
Polk	367 up 1	339	17	11
Bradley	2,747 up 7	2,555	176	16
Rhea	745 up 13	674	62	9 +1

AFD Gets New Rescue Truck

The Athens Fire Department recently took delivery of a new Rescue Truck. The truck is pictured below, along with a group of city officials to the left and a group of firefighters along the side of the new truck.

(Photo courtesy of the Athens Fire Department)



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WEATHER FORECAST
Wednesday - Nice. Periods of sun. High 82.
Wednesday night - Overcast. Low 66.
Thursday - Rain. High 74.
Thursday night - Rain. Low 63.
 More Weather at: wysi.com

68th Annual Athens Kiwanis BBQ Sale

Drive-through only at both locations to help with physical distancing.

Friday, September 18 • 11am to 7pm

Market Park Pavilion in Downtown Athens and

Simmons Bank/VIP Promotional Products on Congress Parkway in Athens



Tickets are \$12 each and good for 1lb of BBQ or two bottles of Gus Bagley's Famous BBQ Sauce

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Obituaries

♦ **Margaret Lamb Goins Flatt**, age 81, of Athens, died Tuesday at her home. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Friday with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home.

♦ **Polly Edith Anderson Dotson**, 96, of Niota, died Tuesday at her home. Graveside services will be 1 p.m. Thursday at Foster Cemetery. In the event of heavy rain, the service will be held at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home instead of the cemetery. There will be no visitation.

◆ TENNESSEE HEADLINES

✓ The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency says the “tiger” spotted in Knoxville last week may have been a case of mistaken identity. TWRA says it may have been a bobcat. Bobcats are about the same size as a tiger cub and from a distance the markings look similar.

✓ The Cleveland couple who went for a drive to Gatlinburg last week and failed to return home apparently took a wrong turn in the rain. They wound up in Brookhaven, Georgia, near Atlanta. They were safe and sound. The 82-year-old driver is said to be suffering from Alzheimers.

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

4-year-old Girl Fights Brain Cancer

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. Jessica McCosh, Media & Communications Coordinator for TVFCU told us about a family in Monroe County whose 4-year-old daughter is battling terminal brain cancer. Ciara and Joey Lanham's world was shattered in February when they got the diagnosis about their daughter, June. Tests confirmed that June has a rare brain cancer called Choroid Plexus Carcinoma and Leptomeningeal Disease. To make matters worse, Joey lost his job at a boat company after running out of unpaid, job-protected leave under the Family Medical Leave Act. Losing his job also meant losing their insurance and the medical expenses have wiped out their savings. The family has created a GoFundMe page to help cope with their growing medical expenses. June is currently undergoing treatments at East Tennessee Children's Hospital. She has undergone several tumor removal surgeries and has been through five unsuccessful cycles of chemotherapy. The family is praying for a miracle.



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