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Wednesday, May 5, 2021

Athens, Tennessee

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The Athens Soap Box Derby WILL take place this year, after being cancelled last year due to COVID-19. The derby this year will be held June 5th in Downtown Athens as part of MooFest. Keith Lane cannot be used this year due to the school construction project.
- ✓ Sunset Drive will be closed all week until 7:30 p.m. on Friday from Green Street to Cesar Street for the demolition and cleanup of an old building.
- ✓ The Etowah Arts Commission says artwork by local artist Barbara Ensley is on display at the Nancy Cantrell Dender Gallery through the end of May. The Gallery now has Sunday hours between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. during which times the gallery will also be providing kids arts and crafts time.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Tuesday 5/4

Tennessee: 849,978 cases, up 542. 12,217 deaths up 12.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	6,489 up 1	81	98
Meigs	1,383 up 1	21	25
Monroe	5,820 up 6	68	95
Polk	2,062 up 5	56	24
Bradley	14,983 up 13	295	149
Rhea	4,340 up 3	23	75

Left or Right?

Big changes have been made for motorists traveling through Chattanooga coming from the south on I-75. At the I-75 split for years, motorists have stayed in the right lanes to go north on I-75. They stayed in the left lanes to go to I-24. That is now reversed, as the diagram below shows. If you're not careful, you may find yourself headed to Nashville instead of Knoxville!



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Obituaries

♦ **Betty Ann McMahan McKenzie**, age 87, of Knoxville (and formerly of Athens) died Monday at her home. She and her family moved to Athens in 1947, where she soon met her future husband, John McKenzie. They married in 1954 and moved away to pursue his medical degree and training. They returned to Athens in 1965 where they lived until 2013. Funeral services will be held Thursday at 2:30 p.m. at Athens First Baptist Church (note change in location), with visitation from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at the church. A graveside service will follow the funeral service at Cedar Grove Cemetery. Smith Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **Carrie Queen Moore Hashe**, age 83, of Niota, died Tuesday at a Knoxville hospital. Arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral Home.

♦ **Mary Elizabeth "Lisza" Beach**, age 73, of Athens, died on April 21st. She was born in Minnesota, but lived in Athens for the last 30 years. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge.

TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: Equities were broadly lower with the S&P 500 falling 0.7%, and the Dow adding 20 points. International equities were mixed. The bond market was quiet as well. The 10-year Treasury rates dropped slightly below 1.60%. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 19.80 to 34,133.03. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 28.00 to 4,164.66. and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 261.61 to 13,633.50.

Barrel Burn Becomes Brush Fire

Last Saturday afternoon, occupants of property on County Road 490, Etowah, were burning in a barrel when it spread to brush near an outbuilding. Members of the Englewood and Etowah Rural Fire Departments were able to extinguish the fire before it reached the outbuilding.



(Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Department)

♦ The guest on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be Anna Phillips. "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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TODAY IN HISTORY - May 5th

If you are Mexican or of Mexican descent today, Cinco de Mayo, is the day to celebrate the anniversary of the 1862 Battle of Puebla. General Ignacio Zaragoza's troops were outnumbered three to one as they battled the invading French army. They may have been outnumbered but they had the will to win. The Mexican forces defeated Napoleon III's army and Puebla stood.

1818 - The father of Communism, Karl Marx, was born.

1821 - Napoleon Bonaparte died in exile on the island of St. Helena.

1891 - Carnegie Hall (then named Music Hall) opened in New York City.

1925 - John T. Scopes was arrested in Tennessee for teaching Darwin's theory of evolution.

1955 - West Germany became a sovereign state.

1961 - Astronaut Alan B. Shepard Jr. became America's first space traveler as he made a 15-minute suborbital flight in a capsule launched from Cape Canaveral, Fla.