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Fuel Delivery Problems Noted

The price of gasoline is expected to go up this week as a result of a ransomware attack that halted all operations of the Colonial pipeline over the weekend. Colonial delivers 45% of the fuel consumed along the east coast. A branch of the pipeline goes through Athens and McMinn County. Ransomware attacks are typically carried out by criminal hackers, who demand a large payment to remove it. Colonial says the attack affected some of its information technology systems and that the company immediately halted pipeline operations. The Alpharetta, Georgia-based company transports gasoline, diesel, jet fuel, and home heating oil from refineries on the Gulf Coast through pipelines running from Texas to New Jersey. Oil industry experts say an outage of several days could cause shortages and price hikes, particularly in an area stretching from central Alabama to the Washington, D.C., area. That would include the Athens area.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Monday 5/10

Tennessee: 854,360 cases, up 382. 12,276 deaths up 19.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	6,518	63	98
Meigs	1,390	15	25
Monroe	5,855	58	95
Polk	2,082	46	24
Bradley	15,062	191	150
Rhea	4,353	25	75

Highway 30 Wreck Injures One

A 2004 Ford Edge and a 2006 Dodge Dakota collided at the intersection of Highway 30 and County Road 527 near Etowah last Saturday around 6:30 p.m. One driver was slightly injured. The Englewood and Etowah Rural Fire Departments responded. THP Trooper Jack Ghazi investigated the accident.

(Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Dept)



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WEATHER FORECAST

Tuesday: Sun mixed with clouds. High 70.
Tue Night: Occasional rain. Low 49.
Wednesday: Partly sunny & cooler. High 58.
Wed Night: Cloudy & chilly. Low 45.
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Obituaries

♦ **Neva Sue Hammons**, age 99, of the New Zion Community, died Monday. Her first job was checking airplane lights during the war. She then was a CNA at Woods Memorial Hospital, Etowah Healthcare, and Etowah Home Health. Her last job was with the Signal Center in Athens for 16 years until retirement at age 89. Funeral services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

♦ **Beverly Ann Lindsey Swafford**, age 86, of Athens, died Saturday. Funeral services will be Wednesday at 3 p.m. at Decatur Funeral Home.

♦ **Lois Jane (Moore) Haynes**, age 54, formerly of Morristown, died May 5th. She has family living in Niota and Decatur. A memorial service will be announced later on Facebook. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is assisting with arrangements.

COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

✓ More details are being announced about MooFest which will be held this year on June 5th in Downtown Athens from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event will include the Athens Soap Box Derby race, the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast, the Athens Pilot Club Bike Rodeo, entertainment by Kinslee Melhorn, Jim Brooks, and others, and lots of food and craft vendors. And to top off the day, the 9th Annual Sounds of Summer Concert Series will kick off at 7 p.m. at Market Park Pavilion.

Learning About Radio

Members of this year's Leadership McMinn class recently visited the studios of WYXI Radio & The Morning Fax office during Media Day. Shown left to right, front row: Adrian Lambert, Tiffany Wilson, Traci White, Jason Watson, Bob Ketchersid (WYXI), Karmen Miller, Sharon Webb, Brandi Armstrong, Kimberly Anderson, Madison Johnson. Back row: Mark Reedy, Katherine Davis, Doug Baily, Tim Tatum, Chris Ryan, Jarah Mack, Matthew Holden, Christina Jaeger, & Mark Lefler (WYXI).

(Photo by Julie Simbeck, Athens Chamber of Commerce)



Athens Lions - 12th Annual Moooooo Run!!!



Sat. June 5 2021 - Eureka Trail - Athens TN

6:30am Sign-In - 7:30am Start

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