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Pilot Club of Athens hosting Bike Rodeo at Moofest June 5th Check-in, 9am Corner of Church St. & E. Madison Ave. Ages: 5-8 FREE helmets to 1st 25 that registers To register, email PilotClubofAthens@gmail.com

Athens, Tennessee

Community News You Can Use

✓ The Tennessee Department of Health says local county health departments in Southeast Tennessee are now offering COVID-19 vaccines with no appointment needed, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

✓ The Etowah Chamber of Commerce is having its 2021 Online Auction through June 8th at 9 p.m. To participate, log into the Etowah Chamber Facebook page. Locate the Auction Post of June 2nd. Arrow through the auction items photo. Stop at a photo item where you wish to place a bid.

 \checkmark In Thursday's Morning Fax, we gave the wrong number to call for information about Morning Pointe Assisted Living's upcoming Classic Car Show. The correct number is 745-0608.

 \checkmark AUB reports the rainfall in May totaled 3.47 inches. The highest 24-hour rainfall was 1.49 inches, on May 5th. The high temperature in May was 91 and the low was 42.

■◆COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Thursday 6-03

Tennessee:	863,620 cases, u		deaths up 7.
COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	6,597 up 3	30	101
Meigs	1,408	9	25
Monroe	5,930 up 4	23	97
Polk	2,109 up 3	12	25
Bradley	15,211 up 23	54	153
Rhea	4,383 up 3	9	75



Sharing Secrets of Success

Main Street Athens recently hosted staff members from the Upper Cumberland Development District who wanted to learn more about what has made Main Street Athens successful. The group spent the day meeting with local leaders and touring Athens. The photo below shows: (L-R) Lisa Dotson (Main Street Director), Lauren Brown Shepherd, City Manager C. Seth Sumner, Matt Billings, Virginia Alexander, Megan Templeton, and Mandy (Photo by Leslie Claire Photography) Eller.



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Obituaries

• **Don Ray Watkins**, age 71, of Maryville (and Niota), lost his battle to cancer on December 14th, 2020. He worked for Alcoa Aluminum for 35 years. A Celebration of Life gathering is planned for Saturday, June 12th, from 4 to 6 p.m. at Wesleyanna United Methodist Church on County Road 609. Companion Funeral Home is in charge.

• Verlin Edgar Harris, age 84, of Etowah, died Thursday. Arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.

THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT:

Equity markets finished lower amid strong hiring data reported by ADP. The Technology and Communication Services sector lagged while energy led. At the closing bell, The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 23.34 to 34,577.04. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 15.27 to 4,192.85, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 141.82 points to 13,614.51.

GRAB YOUR FISHING GEAR

A boat dealer in Bluff City, TN, is offering a \$100,000 prize to whoever can catch a specific smallmouth bass later this month. According to Watson's Marine, the contest will take place on June 12th and 13th. A tagged smallmouth Bass named "Ol Walter 2.0" will be swimming in South Holston Lake. If you catch the tagged bass during the two-day time period using a rod and reel, you will win \$100,000. No registration is necessary and any baits can be used.

Church News & Events

- Union McMinn Baptist Church will have Vacation Bible School titled "Concrete Cranes" June 6-11 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Supper served nightly. See their ad at bottom left. Info: 568-2395.

- Everlasting Life Christian Center will sponsor their 2nd annual Fishers of Men conference on Saturday and Sunday, June 19th and 20th. The Saturday meeting at 10 a.m. at Springbrook Country Club will feature Vant Hardaway.

- Woodward Avenue Church of God is having an Indoor Yard Sale Friday from 8 to 4 and Saturday from 8 to noon. All proceeds benefit Operation Christmas Child. The church is located at 507 Woodward Avenue in Athens.

- Athens First Baptist Church will have VBS titled "Destination DIG" June 7th-10th from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for ages 4 years through 5th grade.

- If you or someone you know is battling addiction, struggling with anger, or other life issues, Planted In Christ Outreach Fellowship, 317 Maple Street, in Athens invites you to attend Outreach Deliverance Classes every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

- Niota First Baptist Church will present "Life on Wednesday" at 6 p.m. each week with Bible Study and games for all first grade through high school students. Snacks are provided.

- Sanford Baptist Church will have VBS (Destination Dig) June 14th-18th at 6:30 for all ages. The church is located on County Road 50, Riceville.

- Pisgah Baptist Church "Concrete and Cranes" VBS will be June 6th-10th from 5:30 to 8 p.m. with classes for 3-years to adults.

