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Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Athens, Tennessee

Another Soap Box Derby Winner

The winner of the Super Kids division in the Athens Soap Box Derby last Saturday was Madison Woods, who defeated Connor Daniels for the title. Madison will join Juliette Couch and Zeke Hembree in representing Athens at the International Soap Box Derby Championship in Akron, Ohio, in July.



Unemployment Rate Drops

The unemployment figures for Tennessee show the jobless rate dropped in 87 of the state's 95 counties in April. Here in the Athens area:

- McMinn County:** 4.7% in April, down from 5.4% in March
- Meigs County:** 5.3% in April, down from 6.2% in March
- Monroe County:** 3.8% in April, down from 5.0% in March
- Polk County:** 4.2% in April, down from 5.3% in March
- Rhea County:** 5.1% in April, down from 6.5% in March
- Bradley County:** 4.1% in April, down from 5.1% in March

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The first Good Faith Clinic of June will be held today on the campus of Christ Community Church at 18 Congress Parkway South. Prescription refills will be 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., with physician visits at 4. The Clinic is for uninsured residents of McMinn and Meigs counties.
- ✓ Main Street Athens invites you to vote for Rusty Rollins, Athens Food City manager, who has been selected as one of 10 finalists for Food Marketing Institute's National Store Manager of the Year Award. The winner will be announced later this month. To vote for Rusty, go to: www.fmi.org/store-manager-awards/peoples-pick-award. Once you click on the link, scroll down until you see Hugh "Rusty" Rollins' name and photo. Check the box beside his name. Then scroll down to the bottom of the page and click DONE in the center of the page. Vote before June 11th.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Monday 6-07

Tennessee: 864,195 cases, down 4. 12,479 deaths.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	6,595	25	101
Meigs	1,411	8	25
Monroe	5,942	18	97
Polk	2,109	9	25
Bradley	15,226	54	153
Rhea	4,382	9	74

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Obituaries

♦ **Clarence “Bud” Ira Kennedy**, age 68, of Decatur, died Saturday at his residence. A memorial service will be held on Thursday at 2 p.m. at Decatur Funeral Home.

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT: Equity markets were mixed, with the S&P 500 still off all-time highs. The utilities and health care sectors led while technology continues to be a laggard, as the cyclical trade continues to pickup steam. U.S. 10-year yields were flat at 1.57% to start the week after briefly crossing 1.6% last week. European and Asian stocks were largely higher, and the dollar was higher compared with a basket of currencies. Closing averages: DOW 34,630.24 (-126.15); S&P 500 4,226.52 (-3.37); NASDAQ 13,881.72 (+67.23).

SOUNDS OF SUMMER OPENS

This year's Sounds of Summer series opened this past Saturday evening at Market Park Pavilion, a part of MooFest. The featured singer was Emi Sunshine, who celebrated her 17th birthday on Saturday. The next S.O.S. concert is set for June 19th.

(Photo courtesy of Leslie Claire Photography)



Fire Damages Travel Trailer

A fire Sunday evening heavily damaged this 1998 Fleetwood Travel Trailer located on County Road 536, Etowah. The trailer was fully involved in flames as firefighters arrived on the scene. No one was at home at the time. The Etowah and Englewood Rural Fire Departments responded.

(Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Dept)



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And everyone that enjoyed breakfast with us!



Proceeds will benefit the club's work to serve youth in Athens and McMinn County.

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