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## Today's News...This Morning

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Tuesday, June 22, 2021

Athens, Tennessee

### Community News You Can Use

- ✓ You are invited to take part in the United Way's Power of the Purse virtual auction coming up this week. The auction features designer purses and a variety of other fine items. The auction begins June 23rd at 8 a.m. and ends June 25th at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10 to participate. Call the United Way office at 745-9606 for tickets and website information.
- ✓ Registration is now open for the 22nd annual McMinn County Beef College. Classes will be held in July with graduation in July. Tuition is \$50 per person. Register by June 28th at the McMinn Higher Education Center UT Extension office, 2345 Denso Drive, Suite 167. Call 745-2852 for any questions.
- ✓ Registration is underway for the 4th Annual McMinn Performance Center Golf Tournament at 9 a.m. on July 6th at the Mouse Creek Golf Course. Call Mark Lockmiller at 506-3638.
- ✓ The Good Faith Clinic today is for refills only.

### ◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Monday 6-21

Tennessee: 866,324 cases up 80. 12,524 deaths up 3.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	6,664 up 3	13	102
Meigs	1,427	2	24
Monroe	5,975 up 2	7	96
Polk	2,114 up 2	8	23
Bradley	15,290	24	152
Rhea	4,391	3	82

### A Successful Juneteenth

Juneteenth was celebrated this past Saturday at Heritage Park. The event was a grassroots community effort by the Valor Group (Good Men Doing Good Work) Several people spoke at the event, and kids played on the newly renovated basketball court at Heritage Park. Lisa Dotson, director of Athens Main Street, sent us the photo she took of the basketball court, and the photo of the Valor Group, taken by Bonita Montgomery.



**BIG BELLY DELI**  
**THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL**  
**BBQ PULLED PORK PLATE,**  
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 423-649-0037  
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**RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT**  
**JUNE Specials >> 2 Sausage Biscuits \$3**  
**8 Pc Tailgate Family Meal \$19.99**  
**5 Meals for \$5 ea. • 32 oz Tea \$1 •**  
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 All You Can Eat Soup & Salad Bar**  
 Tuesday, 11a-4p: Grilled Chicken w/salad  
 bar, \$9.99 **1804 Decatur Pike 423.745.2626**

**WEATHER FORECAST**  
**Tuesday:** AM showers, some sun, turning cloudy, not as warm, but humid. High 78.  
**Tue Night:** Clear. Low 55.  
**Wednesday:** Pleasant with plenty of sunshine.  
**Wed Night:** Mainly clear. Low 65.  
 More Weather at: [wxyi.com](http://wxyi.com)

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## Obituaries

♦ **Evelyn Davis Leslie**, age 95, of Etowah, died Sunday at Starr Regional Health and Rehab Center. A graveside service will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, June 23rd, in Green Hill Cemetery. No formal visitation will be held. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **Joy Bell Thurman**, 93, of Decatur, died Sunday at her home. Funeral services will be on Thursday, June 24th, at 2 p.m. at Union Grove Baptist Church in Meigs County, with visitation from noon to 2. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Service is in charge of the arrangements.

♦ **Arvil Eugene Martin**, age 74, of Sweetwater, died Saturday at Parkwest Medical Center. He was an over the road truck driver for over 50 years. Funeral services will be Thursday at 1 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation Wednesday from 5-7 p.m. at Ziegler.

♦ **Rev. Wheeler Ogle Wattenbarger**, age 86, died Sunday at Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. He served as Pastor in the United Methodist Church for 32 years. The final 19 years of his ministry, he served Allen Memorial and Cedar Springs United Methodist Churches. A Celebration of Life service will be at 10:30 a.m., Thursday at Allen Memorial United Methodist Church with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday at the church. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is in charge.

♦ **Summer Thedford Harris**, age 34, of Spring City, died last Friday. Memorial services will be at 7 p.m., Wednesday at Decatur Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the service. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is in charge.

### SEPTEMBER SONG PERFORMS AT SOS

September Song performed at Sounds of Summer at Market Park Pavilion this past Saturday. The group features Andrew Kimball and his wife, Lindsey. Nathan Crisp is on drums.

(Photo by Cheri Harrison)



## Motorcycle Burns on CR 805

A Suzuki motorcycle was found burning on County Road 805, Etowah, around 1 p.m. this past Saturday afternoon, with the driver nowhere to be found. The Englewood and Etowah Rural Fire Departments responded. McMinn County Sheriff's Department Sgt. Jason Lee investigated.

(Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Dept)



### FUNERAL WITH BURIAL \$4270.00

Professional Services (995)

Facilities for Visitation (250) • Funeral (250)

Embalming (395) • Dressing & Cosmetics (90)

Transfer of Remains (275) • Hearse (285)

Batesville Casket (1295) • Vault (785)

Grave Opening (500) Grave Set up (150)

Normal Cost \$5270 - \$1000 discount

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### FUNERAL WITH CREMATION \$2425.00

Professional Services (995)

Facilities for Visitation (250) • Funeral (250)

Embalming (395) • Dressing & Cosmetics (90)

Transfer of Remains (275)

Rental Casket (595)

Crematory Fee (300) • TN Cremation Permit (25)

Normal Cost \$3175 - \$750 discount

### TODAY IN HISTORY - JUNE 22<sup>nd</sup>

**1611** - English explorer Henry Hudson, his son and several other people were set adrift in present-day Hudson Bay by mutineers.

**1772** - Slavery was outlawed in England.

**1815** - Napoleon Bonaparte abdicated a second time.

**1868** - Arkansas was re-admitted to the Union.

**1870** - The U.S. Congress created the Department of Justice.

**1944** - U.S. President Franklin Roosevelt signed the "GI Bill of Rights" to provide broad benefits for veterans of the war.

**1959** - Chuck Berry's "Memphis" was released.

**1970** - U.S. President Richard Nixon signed an extension of the Voting Rights Act of 1965. It required that the voting age in the United States be lowered to 18.

**2009** - Eastman Kodak Company announced that it would discontinue sales of the Kodachrome Color Film.