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Athens, Tennessee

It's Doctor Hardaway

A number of students and community members were recognized at the Tennessee Wesleyan University commencement exercises. Among the community leaders was the Rev. Vant Hardaway. He was awarded an honorary doctorate for his extensive service to TWU, as well as to Athens and McMinn County. The photo shows Dr. Hardaway with TWU President Dr. Harley Knowles.



NOTE: The guest on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be Lisa McGaha. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. each Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5 or [ONLINE](#).

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ American Legion Post 68 will be having their annual July 4th celebration on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Market Park Pavilion in Downtown Athens. They will be serving hamburgers, hot-dogs, chips, and a drink. There will be live music by The Beaters. Everyone is welcome. Donations will be appreciated.
- ✓ Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs has announced he is leading the Tennessee effort to secure Congressional term limits. Mayor Jacobs will be in Athens in McMinn County Courthouse at 7 p.m. today.
- ✓ MEDIC Regional Blood Center has a continuing critical need for O Negative, O Positive, and B Positive blood type. You can donate at the MEDIC Donor Center at 213 E. Washington Street in Athens. Donors receive a t-shirt, a Texas Roadhouse coupon, and a \$10 e-gift card.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Wednesday 6-30

Tennessee: 866,964 cases up 123. 12,562 deaths.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	6,664 down 1	9	103
Meigs	1,429	3	24
Monroe	5,985 up 4	13	96
Polk	2,113 up 1	4	24
Bradley	15,293 down 7	30	154
Rhea	4,385 down 1	4	82

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Obituaries

- ♦ **William Curtis Trotter**, age 92, of Athens died Wednesday at his home. Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by Smith Funeral and Cremation Services of Athens.
- ♦ **Sharon Crockett Coltharp**, age 84, of Etowah, died Wednesday. Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by Bordwine Funeral Home.

TENNESSEE NEWS HEADLINES

- The extra federal unemployment aid offered amid the COVID-19 pandemic will end in Tennessee on Saturday, meaning no more of those extra \$300 weekly payments.
- Starting today, a new law in Tennessee changes how boating under the influence is enforced on the waterways. The law aligns penalties for BUI's to that of driving under the influence. That means it will result in jail time faster.
- Memphis police say the off-duty officer involved in a deadly accident that killed two people has been charged with vehicular homicide. They say the officer was traveling 114 mph at the time of the wreck.

Leadership McMinn Project

The Athens Area Chamber of Commerce Leadership McMinn Class of 2021 recently presented *Let's Read 20* with a donation as part of their group project. They raised \$5,785 to help *Let's Read 20*, which provides books to McMinn County's children. Shown here are front row from left: Amy McDonald, Heather Bateman, Kimberly Anderson, Sharon Webb, Tracy Gartmann, Julie Lofland, Sue Senn, Angie Dahle, Christina Jaeger, Katherine Davis & Madison Limburg. Back row: Traci White, Tiffany Wilson, Jason Watson, Walter Alexander, Matthew Holden, Mark Reedy, Chris Ryan, Tim Tatum, Doug Bailey, Rob Preston, & Holly Riley.

(Photo from Julie Simbeck, Athens Chamber)



TODAY IN HISTORY - JULY 1st

- 1862** - President Abraham Lincoln signed the first Pacific Railroad Act "to aid in the construction of a railroad and telegraph line from the Missouri river to the Pacific ocean."
- 1863** - The Civil War Battle of Gettysburg began on this date. The Northern forces won a victory and the battle marked a turning point in the war.
- 1898** - Teddy Roosevelt and his "Rough Riders" took San Juan Hill in Cuba during the Spanish-American War.
- 1916** - Actress Olivia de Havilland, one of the stars of the movie "Gone With the Wind," was born.
- 1942** - Gospel songwriter Andrae Crouch was born. He wrote "Through It All" and "My Tribute."
- 1961** - Great Britain's Princess Diana was born.
- 1986** - The movie industry introduced the PG-13 classification indicating that a movie might be too violent for children under the age of 13.

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