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Thursday, August 19, 2021

Athens, Tennessee

Community News You Can Use

✓ The Athens City Council received reports of July police and fire department activity at Tuesday night's monthly meeting. Police Chief Cliff Couch reported there were 47 thefts in July, 14 burglaries, 13 assaults, 10 motor vehicle thefts, and two robberies. Officers issued citations for 167 moving violations. There were 38 traffic accidents with 20 injuries. There are currently three police department vacancies. Fire Chief Brandon Ainsworth reported that firefighters responded to 165 calls in July. The calls included 6 fires, 126 rescue & emergency medical service, and 22 false alarms. Losses totaled \$24,300.00.

✓ The Episcopal Women at St. Paul's Episcopal Church is hosting their 5th Annual Barbecue Chicken Dinner today (8-19) from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. They are offering drive thru take out only. You get 1/2 BBQ chicken, baked beans, potato salad, roll and dessert for \$15. For pre-orders call 333-0216 or 745-2224. All volunteers have been vaccinated against Covid-19.

✓ The guests on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be all the students at Women at the Well. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. each Thursday on WYXI Radio: AM-1390, FM-94.5 & [ONLINE](#)

Latest COVID Information

- The McMinn County Health Department and other county health departments across Tennessee are now giving the third dose of COVID vaccine to immunocompromised individuals. The purpose of the third shot is to try to get them to a higher level of immunity since most likely did not develop a strong immune response from the initial round of vaccines.
- Tennessee Wesleyan University is again requiring masks as students arrive for the new year.
- The National Park Service is now requiring visitors, employees, and contractors to wear a mask inside all Park Service buildings and in crowded outdoor spaces.
- Friday's East Ridge vs Silverdale high school football game has been postponed due to COVID cases at East Ridge.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Wednesday 8-18

Tennessee: 963,647 cases up 5,478. 13,045 deaths up 27.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	7,417 up 33	413	108
Meigs	1,572 up 9	90	24
Monroe	6,611 up 35	404	98
Polk	2,341 up 11	135	25
Bradley	16,729 up 81	806	158
Rhea	4,891 up 49	334	83

McMinn County Republican Party Monthly Meeting:
GUEST SPEAKER: MARK GOINS
TENNESSEE STATE ELECTIONS COORDINATOR
August 19th @ 7 P.M. @ McMinn County Courthouse



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Sat., Sept. 11th 5pm \$30pp
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Obituaries

- ♦ **Joshua James Kliever**, age 35, of Ten Mile, died Wednesday, August 11th. In honor of his wishes there will be no formal service. Decatur Funeral Home is in charge.
- ♦ **Alice Kay White Recht**, age 69, of Athens, died Wednesday at her son's residence. A Celebration of Life will be held at 5 p.m. Friday at Ziegler Funeral Home. The family suggests that masks may be worn at your own discretion.

MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life will be held this Saturday, August 21st, from 5 to 10 p.m. at Market Park in Downtown Athens. There will be food, fun, games, an auction, and survivor recognition.
- ✓ The UT Extension, McMinn office will present a program called "Hidden In Plain Sight" this Saturday from 9 to 11 a.m. at the McMinn Higher Education Center on Denso Drive. The program features McMinn County Sheriff Joe Guy and Athens Police Chief Cliff Couch. A mock teenage bedroom will be set up for adults to search through and try to find hidden signs of drug & alcohol use.
- ✓ The Englewood Lions Club Carnival will be tonight through Sunday at 2240 Highway 411 North. The hours Thursday and Friday are 5 to 11 p.m.; Saturday from noon to midnight; and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m. Unlimited rides for \$25 per person daily.

Driver Wrecks and Runs

Around midnight Tuesday, the driver of this 2017 Dodge Journey lost control on County Road 608, Athens, and the vehicle flipped. The driver fled the scene. The Englewood and Etowah Rural Fire Departments responded. THP Officer Whitney Stooksbury investigated.

(Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Dept)



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