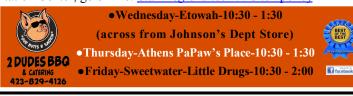


Monday, August 23, 2021

Starr Regional Medical Center has announced that it is transitioning to limited visitation protocols, effective today, Monday, August 23rd. The decision to update the visitation policy was made as a result of the notable increase in COVID-19 cases in McMinn County and its surrounding communities. The updated policy allows inpatients to have only two well visitors. Patients requiring outpatient or emergency services may have only one accompanying person if required for support. A parent or guardian must be present with pediatric patients at all times. General visiting hours on the Athens campus are 8 a.m. until 9 p.m. Visitors will be screened for symptoms consistent with COVID-19, per CDC guidelines. Children under the age of 12 should refrain from visiting. Visitors are not allowed for patients who are high-risk, on isolation precautions or immunocompromised, or for patients who are under observation or test positive for COVID-19. Visitation hours and guidelines for patients in the Intensive Care Unit differ from the general visitation policy. For additional details about the ICU, the Etowah Campus and Starr Regional Health & Rehabilitation Center, go online: StarrRegional.com/visitor-policy

SRMC Issues New Visitation Rules



Etowah Pool Now Open

The new Frank and Maggie Choate family Community Swimming Facility held its grand opening on Saturday. The location is 600 Louisiana Avenue. (Photo by Gene Choate)



LISTENING REMINDER: Join us for Main Street Moments on Tuesday. The guest will be Acacia Stillwell with the Celebration of the Nations Festival. The program will be heard at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday on WYXI Radio: AM-1390, FM-94.5 & ONLINE

FOOTBALL: The McMinn County Cherokees defeated the McMinn Central Chargers 27-0. Meigs County beat Sweetwater 38-8. Polk County beat Copper Basin 42-19. Walker Valley blanked Notre Dame 37-0.





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Obituaries

• **Pam Gamble Burris**, age 70, of Athens, died Sunday at her residence. Arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral Home.

• Glenda Nadine Wilson, age 84, of Etowah, died last Friday. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday at Bordwine Funeral Home. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday in McMinn Memory Gardens.

• Maxie William Davis, age 81, of Decatur, died Friday at his residence. He was a U.S. Army Veteran and retired from VEC with 43 years of service. He started the Meigs Youth Basketball League in 1979 and was the winner of the Tennessee Dizzy Dean baseball person of the year in 1997. Funeral services will be Monday at 7 p.m. at Decatur Funeral Home with visitation from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. prior to the service.

• **Phil Valentine**, age 61, of Nashville, died Saturday of Covid pneumonia. He was a syndicated radio host that stated last year that he would not be getting a covid vaccination.

• **Don Everly,** age 84, of Nashville, died Saturday. He and his late brother, Phil, were singers known as the "Everly Brothers."

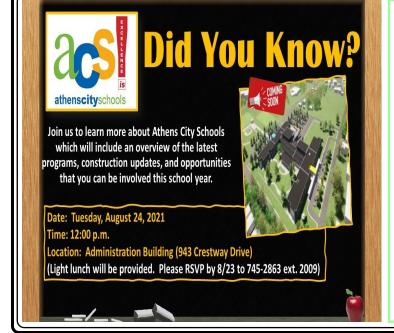


The driver of a car apparently lost control of the vehicle and drove into a building last Thursday. Contributor Bruce Hari snapped a photo of the damage to the building, which is located in the 300 block of West Madison Avenue. It's unknown who the driver was and if there were any injuries.



COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Friday 8-20

Tennessee: <u>COUNTY</u>	977,230 cases up 7 <u>CASES</u>	,232. 13,142 de <u>ACTIVE</u>	aths up 46. DEATHS
McMinn	7,514	447	108
Meigs	1,602	103	24
Monroe	6,757	498	98
Polk	2,368	140	25
Bradley	16,901	869	159
Rhea	4,994	402	83





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