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Athens, Tennessee

National Guard Helps Starr

Like many other facilities in the region and across the state, Starr Regional Medical Center is experiencing staffing shortages as they continue to deal with a high volume of patients due to COVID. Several members of the Tennessee National Guard arrived at Starr Regional this week to help alleviate staffing pressure by assisting with non-clinical duties. Starr officials say they are grateful to these individuals for their service and support as they work together to fight the coronavirus. The photo shows Ronald Hall, Chief Nursing Officer, and John McClain, Chief Executive Officer, with the National Guard men and women at Starr Regional.



Community News You Can Use

- The Highway 411 Yard Sale officially begins today and continues through Sunday from Leeds, Alabama, to Newport, TN. The yard sale goes right through McMinn and Polk counties. Use extra caution when driving on Highway 411 the next several days.
- The 49th Annual Arts and Crafts Fall Festival takes place at the L&N Depot in Etowah this Saturday and Sunday, with arts, crafts, live entertainment, and over 90 vendors. The hours are 9 to 5 on Saturday and noon to 5 on Sunday.
- ✓ The National Life Chain, a silent prayerful protest of abortion, will be held this Sunday from 2 to 3 p.m. on Highway 68 in Tellico Plains starting at the construction signs at New Providence Road. This prayer vigil has been held for over 30 years for unborn babies. They will practice social distancing due to COVID restrictions.

♦COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Wednesday 9-29

I ennessee:	1,224,402 cases up 3,618. 15,099 deaths up 44.		
COUNTY	<u>CASES</u>	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	10,065 up 19	344 down 45	118 up 1
Meigs	2,082 up 3	62 down 5	26 up 1
Monroe	9,281 up 34	335 down 8	114
Polk	3,023 up 12	113 down 4	27
Bradley	21,353 up 37	718 down 84	171 up 1
Rhea	6,675 up 27	294 down 16	89

RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT



NEW: Hand Breaded Chicken Sandwich \$3.99 Sausage & Egg Biscuits 2 / \$4 • 32 oz Tea \$1 Due to Staffing Shortages, the Athens Bojangles will be closed on SUNDAY ONLY DURING OCTOBER BOJANGLES of Athens-South Congress Pkwy 744-5292

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TODAY IN HISTORY - SEPTEMBER 30th

1777 - The Continental Congress was forced to flee in the face of advancing British forces and moved to York, Pennsylvania.

1846 - A dentist in Charleston, Massachusetts, extracted a tooth for the first time with the aid of an anesthetic known as lether.

1902 - Rayon (artificial silk) was patented. It was the first

synthetic fiber.

1935 - Singer Johnny Mathis was born. His many hit records include "Chances Are," "Misty," "Wonderful, Wonderful," and "It's Not For Me to Say."

1939 - The first college football game to be televised was shown on experimental station W2XBS in New York as Fordham University defeated Waynesburg College, 34-7.

1946 - The verdicts were handed down in the Nuremberg War Crimes trial in Germany. Twelve Nazi leaders were sentenced to death by hanging.

1954 - The first nuclear-powered submarine, the USS Nautilus, was commissioned by the U.S. Navy.

1958 - Arkansas Governor Orval Faubus defied a U.S. Supreme Court ruling against segregation by closing four high schools in Little Rock.

1958 - Country singer Marty Stuart was born. He is the husband of country singer Connie Smith.

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Obituaries

- Brandy Nicole Harris, age 39, of Riceville, died Saturday. She was a McMinn County graduate in the class of 2000. Visitation will be Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home.
- ◆ Teresa Ratledge Statham, age 60, of Dandridge, died Tuesday. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from noon to 2 p.m. prior to the service.
- Paul Edward Brock, age 70, of Englewood, died Tuesday. He served in the U.S. Navy and was a Vietnam Veteran. A celebration of life service will be Sunday at 4 p.m. at Companion Funeral Home of Athens with visitation 2 to 4 p.m. prior to the service.
- Michael Anthony "Bucky" Falls, age 65, of Cleveland, died Tuesday. He was a painter most of his life and retired from Wright Brothers Construction. A celebration of life service will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Companion Funeral Home of Cleveland with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the service.

UNITED WAY NEEDS YOUR HELP

In 2020, United Way of McMinn & Meigs Counties raised and put back into the community over \$200,000 for COVID-19 response and recovery. The goal for 2021 is \$725,000. All money raised stays in the community and helps United Way's partner agen-



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cies. To donate to United Way, call the office at 745-9606.

Women at the Well Gets \$1,000

Bowater Credit Union member Stephanie McGreevy has won a \$1,000 Pay It Forward prize for her favorite non-profit, Women at the Well. Each year, Bowater Credit Union asks its members to nominate their favorite non-profit. McGreevy, who is a member, wrote that WATW helps women with life-controlling issues, primarily drugs and alcohol. Pictured from left: Tiffany Wilson, Bowater CU Athens Branch Manager; Stephanie McGreevy, WATW Programs Director; and Robin Nation, WATW Executive Director.





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