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Athens, Tennessee

Storms Cause Power Outages

Heavy rain and strong winds brought down trees on Sunday and in the process took down a utility pole and associated power lines in the Highway 307 area. Power was off to the Mayfield plant along with Adient and E&E. AUB spokesman Wayne Scarbrough says a large tree downed power lines and also brought down a pole in a hard-to-get-to area. AUB crews had to use the Eureka Trail and then cross a ditch to get to the pole. Several power lines were damaged and had to be replaced. The leaning poles had to be jacked and pulled back into place. Power was off to the manufacturing plants for several hours.



Community News You Can Use

- ✓ Crews from Athens Utilities Board will be flushing water lines and fire hydrants throughout the city beginning at 12:30 p.m. today, weather permitting. The work should be finished by early evening. As a result of the flushing, you may experience times of low water pressure and slightly cloudy water. You might want to avoid washing clothes this evening.
- ✓ This is National 4-H Week. The McMinn 4-H Club is urging everyone in McMinn County to take part in **Wear Green Wednesday** this week to promote the 4-H program.
- ✓ MEDIC Regional Blood Center will be giving away passes to Oakes Farm and Ripley's Aquarium this week. MEDIC will be holding daily drawing for tickets to those events. Blood donors will be entered into the drawing. To donate blood, just go to your local MEDIC Blood Donor Center. In Athens, MEDIC is located at 213 E. Washington Ave., and is open daily 8:30-5.

The differences shown below for cases and active cases are the differences between Friday's Report & Monday's Report.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Monday 10-04

Tennessee: 1,238,023 cases up 1,081. 15,323 deaths up 35.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	10,153 up 32	261 down 46	119
Meigs	2,109 up 7	56 down 5	27
Monroe	9,379 up 49	267 down 18	116 up 1
Polk	3,064 up 14	101 down 1	27
Bradley	21,529 up 88	557 down 72	172
Rhea	6,748 up 22	226 down 23	89

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WEATHER FORECAST
Tuesday: Mostly cloudy. Possible t'storms. High 70.
Tue Night: Cloudy & mild. Occasional rain & possible t'storms. Low 65.
Wednesday: Morning showers. Heavy t'storms. Possible flooding. High 73.
Wed Night: Overcast & mild. Low 65.
 More Weather at: wysi.com

The Trading Post
 Daily Monday - Saturday Morning
 8:45 am - 9:30am and
 Monday - Friday Afternoon
 4:25pm to 4:55 pm

We encourage you to e-mail community events, church news, or other items of interest for possible use in the Morning Fax. If you take a newsworthy photograph, send it to: wysi@bellsouth.net



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Obituaries

♦ **Connie Irene Downey Zalabak**, age 61, of Niota, died Sunday at Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. She was a native of Chattanooga and longtime resident of Southeast, Tennessee. A funeral service will be at 7 p.m., Wednesday at Smith Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will be at 11 a.m., Thursday in Niota Cemetery.

♦ **Carolyn Ann Harris**, age 77, of Athens, died Saturday. A funeral service will be at 12 p.m., Thursday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 10 to 12 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will follow in Green Hill Cemetery.

♦ **Ricky Lynn McKeehan**, age 51, of Athens, died August 21st. A private service was held by the family and there will be no other formal services. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge.

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT: The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 323.54 to 34,002.92. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 56.58 to 4,300.46, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 311.21 points to 14,255.49.

LISTENING REMINDER: The guest on Main Street Moments on Tuesday (Oct. 5) will be Lauren Brown with the Athens Arts Center. The interview will be heard at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI Radio: AM-1390 FM-94.5 & [ONLINE](#)

Lending a Helping Hand

The Leadership McMinn Class of 2021-2022 kicked off another year by partnering with Jeff Brandon, President of Helping Hands Ministry, to do a service project in the community. The class spent the day painting, putting down new flooring, installing a new door, and building a new deck for a gentleman in need of some help. Pictured below: Bonita Montgomery, Elizabeth Merriman, Frank Davis (Helping Hands), Jeff Brandon (President, Helping Hands), Eddie Eaton (Helping Hands), Treavor Crisp, Athens Police Chief Cliff Couch, Alisha Fox, Kimberly Montooth, Chandler Rollo, Larae Graves, Savannah Coe, Heidi Wallace, Taylor Barselou, Cody Disher, Grant Kelley, Rob Preston (Athens Chamber President/CEO), Julie Simbeck (Athens Chamber), Paige Zabo (United Way), Taylor Hollingsworth, Tyler Boyd.



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