

Community News You Can Use

✓ The City of Decatur has announced the date for its Christmas Parade. The parade will be held on Sunday, December 5th, at 2 p.m. Register to participate at the Decatur Municipal Building. The number to call is 334-5716 for more information.

✓ The Athens City Council holds its monthly meeting tonight, Tuesday, at 6 p.m. at the Municipal Building. The public is invited to attend.

✓ St. Mark AME Zion Church will have another Food Giveaway this coming Saturday, November 20th, starting at 1:30 p.m. until all the food is gone. The church is located at 707 N. Jackson Street in Athens, next to the YMCA.

✓ The McMinn County Election Commission will meet in regular session today, Nov. 16th, at 5 p.m. in the Conference Room of the McMinn County Courthouse.

✓ AAA (The East Tennessee Auto Club) says gas prices across Tennessee continue to stabilize, deceasing nearly two cents, on average, last week. The Tennessee Gas Price average is now \$3.13, which is 9 cents more than one month ago and \$1.26 more than one year ago. The lowest 10% of pump prices are \$2.92 for regular unleaded. The highest 10% of pump prices are \$3.38. The least expensive prices in metro markets in Tennessee are \$3.04 in Cleveland; \$3.17 and \$3.11 in Chattanooga. Gas can be found for \$2.98 at some pumps in Athens.

More Community News

✓ United Way of McMinn & Meigs Counties and Health Relations McMinn will hold their 2nd annual Virtual Resource Fair this Thursday, November 18th. Virtual Resource Videos will begin at 10 a.m. and will run every 15 minutes. Each participating organization will have an allotted time slot. Here's the link: <u>https://www.facebook.com/AthensMcMinnFamilyYMCA</u>

✓ The monthly Athens Area Chamber of Commerce "Business Before Hours" will be this Friday, November 19th, at 8 a.m. at 123 W. Washington Avenue. The event is hosted by Miller & McPhail CPA's.

✓ The Athens City School Board's November Work Session is set for Wednesday, Nov. 17, at 12 noon.

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

COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Monday 11-15

Tennessee: 1,297,472 cases up 710. 16,683 deaths up 4.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	10,637 up 15	64 down 3	136
Meigs	2,211 up 6	18 up 2	29
Monroe	9,844 up 19	77 down 1	126
Polk	3,217 up 4	21	31
Bradley	22,413 up 43	171 up 2	203
Rhea	7,040 up 6	35 up 1	94



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Obituaries

• **Darren Ray Rowland,** age 56, of Calhoun, died Saturday, November 13th. There will be no formal services held at this time. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is in charge.

• Alvaro Castillo "Chief," age 65. of Etowah, died on October 14th. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, November 20th, at Bordwine Funeral Home. No formal visitation will be held.

• Alva Sue Farr, of Niota, formerly of Calumet City, Il., and a resident of McMinn County for 40 years, died Thursday, November 11th, at NHC. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m., Thursday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the service. Interment will be at 11 a.m., Friday in Pond Hill Cemetery.

• Max E. Mason, age 92, of Niota, died Monday at NHC of Athens. He was a native of Duck Town, and a resident of Niota for the past 52 years. He was a retired pharmacist having worked for Revco and CVS for 60 years. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. prior to the service. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m., Thursday at McMinn Memory Gardens.

ORANGE VS. BLUE COMPETITION

MEDIC Regional Blood Center is competing in the 34th Orange and Blue Blood Drive this week. MEDIC has lost the previous two years and is looking forward to bringing the trophy back to Knoxville. MEDIC says its supply of O Negative units is at the critical level. Anyone donating a pint of blood this week will receive a special edition Tshirt, a \$10 e-gift card, Petro's coupon, Salsarita's coupon, Texas Roadhouse coupon, Dunkin coupon, Papa John's coupon, and a ticket to the ETCH Fantasy of Trees. In Athens, donate at MEDIC, 213 E. Washington Ave. Walk-in's are OK. For an appointment call 865-524-3074.

SELFIES WITH SANTA

Come join us Saturday, December 4th for Selfies with Santa at the Etowah Depot from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. There will be hot chocolate, cookies and Christmas crafts for the kids. Also, the opportunity to strike a pose with Santa! Etowah L&N Depot, 727 Tennessee Ave., Etowah, TN 37331



GMC Destroyed By Fire

A 2011 GMC Terrain was destroyed by fire last Wednesday afternoon on County Road 796. The Etowah and Englewood Rural Fire and the Etowah Fire Departments responded. The driver said the fire originated in the engine. There were no injuries.

(Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Dept)



