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Thursday, December 16, 2021

Athens, Tennessee

## **Utility Vehicle Flips, 1 Injury**

Around 4:30 Tuesday afternoon, the driver of this Kubota Utility Vehicle was injured when it overturned on top of him at the inter-

section County Roads 405 & 404. Madisonville. A family member the driver managed to upright the vehicle. The driver received a compound fracture to one leg and was airlifted to



UT Hospital. The Madisonville City, Englewood Rural, East Ridge Fire, and Tri Community Volunteer fire departments all responded. (Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Dept)

### **Community News You Can Use**

✓ Athens Utilities Board says the power rate for the coming month of January will increase somewhat as winter rates from TVA continue and as the TVA fuel cost ratchets up a bit. AUB is also warning of higher natural gas costs for the coming months.

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✓ Monday, Dec. 20th, will be SNOW Day at E.G. Fisher Public Library. The weather may not be right for snow, but you are invited to show up at 2 p.m. to make DIY play snow and create your own mini-snowman. The program will take place on the library patio and is open to ages 12 and under.

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

# ◆COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Wednesday 12-15 Tennessee: 1,343,894 cases up 2,192. 17,900 deaths up 82.

<b>COUNTY</b>	CASES	<b>ACTIVE</b>	<b>DEATHS</b>
McMinn	10,945 up 34	146 up 14	150 up 3
Meigs	2,288 up 14	39 up 1	33
Monroe	10,135 up 25	138 down 11	142 up 2
Polk	3,312 up 7	39	36 up 2
Bradley	23,031 up 65	288 up 11	248 up 6
Rhea	7,269 up 16	96 down 25	101



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601 Church St., Sweetwater, TN Everyone welcome!





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We will be closed December 20 - January 2, 2022! REOPEN January 3 REGULAR HOURS. We hope you and your family have a Merry Christmas as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior. The year 2021 has brought about chaos and challenging times for many of us. May we take time to reflect on Jesus the real reason for the season! He is our true help and comforter in times like these. Thank you to ALL of our customers for your business in 2021. It is greatly appreciated! We look forward to serving you in 2022! We are here to serve and help you in any way that we can with your home or business exterior needs. Our prayer for each person is that God blesses and prospers you greatly in 2022!

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### **Obituaries**

• John David Stickler, age 69, of Athens, died Dec. 11th at his residence. He died two days after the death of his wife, Holly. He was the General Manager for Red Food and Bi-Lo, as well as a truck driver for Terry Carroll Trucking Company. According to his wishes, there will be no formal service. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge.
• Mary Jane Epperson Dannel, age 77, of Longwood, Florida (and a

• Mary Jane Epperson Dannel, age 77, of Longwood, Florida (and a native of Athens), died Dec. 4th. She was the daughter of the late Dr. Roy W. Epperson and his wife, Loraine. Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Monday at Cedar Grove Cemetery. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge.

• Wanda Sue Pueritt Evans, age 68, of Athens, died Sunday at Starr Regional in Athens. She owned Evans Used Cars and was a former manager at Rocky Top Store. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

• Derrick Matthew Smith, age 34, of Decatur, died Monday. He was employed at Storm Power Components and was an avid fisherman. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Decatur Funeral Home and Cremation Services is in charge of the arrangements.



### The Sound of Christmas in Etowah

The annual Etowah Community Christmas Concert was held last Thursday at First Baptist Church of Etowah. The concert featured the Etowah Town Band (shown below) and the Etowah Community Handbell Choir. The concert can be viewed on the church's Facebook page, <a href="www.facebook.com/firstbaptistetowah">www.facebook.com/firstbaptistetowah</a>. There are two videos, Part 1 (first hour) and Part 2 (last 25 minutes)

(Photo from Beth Bush)





