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Today's News... This Morning

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## MEDIC

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Monday-Friday  
8:30 am - 5 pm

Thursday, May 26, 2022

Athens, Tennessee

### Chamber Ribbon Cutting

◆ A ribbon cutting was celebrated recently for new Athens Area Chamber of Commerce member, Lisa Becker of Southern Homes Real Estate, located at 205 E Madison Ave., Athens. Chamber friends joining the celebration and pictured below left to right are: Amy McDonald (Chamber Diplomat), Holly Goines (Chamber Board), Radley Lockmiller (Southern Homes Real Estate), Chuck Becker, Lisa Becker (Southern Homes Real Estate), Amy and Mike Elkins (Owner Southern Homes Real Estate), Karen Sullivan (Athens Chamber), Kellie Collins (Chamber Diplomat) Back: Paul Semenoff, Hunter Star (Chamber Diplomat), Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Joseph Ladner (Chamber Diplomat), Margaret Wilcox (Southern Homes Real Estate), John Rodriguez (Chamber Board) McMinn County Sheriff Joe Guy.



### Wednesday's Market Report

U.S. stocks finished higher following the release of the Fed meeting minutes. Consumer discretionary and energy stocks outperformed. Oil prices were slightly higher at about \$110. The 10-year Treasury yield was lower at 2.74%. At the closing bell, The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 191.66 to 32,120.28. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 37.25 to 3,978.73, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 170.29 to 11,434.74.

### ◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE

Weekly Summary: 05/15/22 - 05/21/22

There were 1,288 cases (per day) and 15 deaths (per day) last week

Tennessee: 2,051,779 Total Cases 26,371 Total Deaths

COUNTY	CASES	DEATHS
McMinn	16,750	263
Meigs	3,402	59
Monroe	14,717	246
Polk	4,751	74
Bradley	33,344	418
Rhea	10,025	160

Covid-19 update information from the Tennessee Department of Health is updated on Saturday and posted to their website each Wednesday.

### RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT



Sausage & Egg Biscuits 2 / \$5

• 32 oz Tea \$1

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### WEATHER FORECAST

**Thursday** - Breezy & Humid. Possible t'storms. High 75.

**Thurs. Night** - Possible showers & t'storms. Low 60.

**Friday** - Mostly cloudy. Possible rain. High 75.

**Saturday** - Mostly sunny. High 75.

Weather at: [wysi.com](http://wysi.com)



McMinn County  
Living Heritage  
MUSEUM

522 W Madison Ave.  
Athens, TN 37303  
423-745-0329

[www.livingheritagemuseum.org](http://www.livingheritagemuseum.org)

COMMUNITY ARTIST LEAGUE ART SHOW  
MAY 5—JUNE 3

TRASH AND TREASURE

SALE IS BACK!

PREMIER NIGHT JUNE 21ST 5-8 PM

TICKETS \$10 SOLD AT THE DOOR

JUNE 22-25 FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

INDIGO DYES

with Pat Armstrong

Learn the basics of indigo dyeing with samples you can take home!  
Saturday, June 4, 11:00 AM

Free Admission to the Museum/\$5.00 for Program

Program sponsored by C. Scott & Muriel S. Mayfield Family Foundation & Tennessee Arts Commission

#### Hours

Tuesday - Friday:	10 AM - 5 PM
Saturday:	10 AM - 4 PM
Sunday - Monday:	Closed

#### Admission

Adults:	\$5
Seniors (60+):	\$3
Students:	\$3

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## Obituaries

♦ **John Wesley Kennedy**, age 57, of Athens, passed away Monday, May 25th. He retired after his career in the food service industry. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at Cedar Grove Cemetery. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.

♦ **Michael Eugene Owen, Jr.**, age 20, of Sweetwater, passed away Tuesday, May 17th. A Celebration of Life service will be at 2 p.m., Thursday at Companion Funeral Home of Athens with visitation from noon to 2 p.m. prior to the service. Graveside services to follow at Chestua Campground Community Cemetery.

♦ **Janice "Jan" Sue Burton Taylor**, age 71, of Athens, passed away Tuesday at Parkwest Medical Center in Knoxville. She was a native of Athens and lifelong resident of McMinn County. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Freedom Baptist Church. Interment will be at 2 p.m. Friday in McMinn Memory Gardens. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **Keith Irvin Johnson**, age 65, a native of Brooksville, FL, and a resident of Athens for the past 5 years, passed away Thursday May 19th. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 26th, at Decatur Funeral Home. There will be no formal visitation.

## Community News You Can Use

✓ The Summer Reading Program begins soon at E.G. Fisher Public Library! A Reading Kick-Off Party will be Thursday, June 2, 10:30am to 2:30pm. This year's party will feature a waterslide, water games, face painting, games, kid/teen meals, popcorn, cotton candy and more. The party begins 7 weeks of free, educational programs offered at the library every Monday through Saturday through July 21st. This year's program includes visits from the zoo, the aquarium, and other fun-tastic vendors. All programs are free. A library card is not needed to participate in any part of summer reading. For more information and registration for the "Oceans of Possibilities" Summer Reading Program go online at:

<https://fisherlibrary.readsquared.com/>

✓ The Tennessee Highway Patrol (THP) plans to increase patrols and utilize a variety of traffic safety enforcement tools to reduce the number of crashes across the state during this year's Memorial Day holiday period. The THP will conduct saturation patrols, seat belt, and sobriety checkpoints, as well as increased visibility on high crash corridors throughout the summer to reduce serious injury and fatal crashes. This year's Memorial Day holiday period begins at 6 p.m. on Friday, May 27.

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*& Wild West Show*  
**JUN 3rd & 4th @ 8:00 PM**  
*Friday & Saturday*

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