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Today's News... This Morning

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Wednesday, March 18, 2020

Athens, Tennessee

## Restaurants Adopting to Virus

Several restaurants in the Athens area have closed their dining areas and more are expected to do so. If they have a drive-thru window, customers order their food that way. Restaurants without drive-thru capability are asking customers to call ahead and place their order. When they arrive, they can pick it up and take it home. In at least one case, a restaurant is asking customers to call when they arrive in the parking lot and the food will be brought out to their car. This procedure affects servers who earn most of their pay from tips. Restaurant owners are suggesting that customers tip the person who delivers their take-out order to them.

### MORE VIRUS-RELATED CLOSINGS:

- The Athens Area Chamber of Commerce has cancelled Thursday morning's "Business Before Hours" at Title Insurance Company. Stay tuned for the alternate date.
- The Etowah Carnegie Library will be closed through March 29th to everyone except library staff. The staff will be available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to answer questions by phone and email. Materials can be renewed by phone, email, or by logging into your account. Materials can also be returned in the designated outdoor drop boxes.
- The Bowater Credit Union Annual Meeting, which was scheduled for March 23rd, has been cancelled.
- The Athens Animal Shelter will be closed for intakes until further notice.

## Library Creates Bingo Games

Looking for activity ideas during the school closing? E.G. Fisher Public Library has created a bingo game for families to play at home. Complete a School Break Bingo Card by such activities as reading or listening to a book, writing a poem, building a fort, and more. As children complete activities on the bingo card, parents or guardians will initial that activity. Families can print a bingo card at home or pick up a copy from the waterproof box located on the library's patio. Each child may complete up to five bingo cards. Keep the cards and bring them to the library to redeem for prizes when the library reopens.



Ask your parent or guardian to initial each square when you complete it.

READ A FICTION BOOK FOR 30 MINUTES	PLAY A GAME	CALL OR FACETIME A FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND	TAKE A WALK OR EUREKA TRAIL	WRITE A POEM AND SUBMIT TO POETRY CONTEST
CHECK OUT A BOOK ON LIBBY (TENNESSEE READS)	DO A PUZZLE	ASK A FAMILY MEMBER ABOUT LIFE WHEN THEY WERE YOUR AGE	PLAY OUTSIDE	WRITE A JOURNAL ENTRY ABOUT YOUR DAY
READ A NON-FICTION BOOK FOR 30 MINUTES	MAKE FOUND ART FROM MATERIALS AROUND YOUR HOUSE	<b>Free</b>	RISE A BIKE OR TAKE A WALK	DRAW A PICTURE
FINISH A BOOK	MAKE A FORT	HELP YOUR PARENT OR GUARDIAN WITH A CHORE	DISCOVER SOMETHING NEW IN YOUR YARD	WRITE A JOKE
READ A BOOK WITH A FAMILY MEMBER	CREATE YOUR OWN GAME	WRITE AND SEND A LETTER	VISIT THE STORYBOOK TRAIL AT REGIONAL PARK	WRITE A SHORT STORY

Get five in a row and you will earn a prize from the library! Prize pick up will begin when E.G. Fisher Public Library re-opens. Children may complete up to five bingo cards. Poetry contest entries may be emailed to [egfchildren@gmail.com](mailto:egfchildren@gmail.com)



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REGIONAL BLOOD CENTER  
1 DONATION SAVES 3 LIVES  
Athens Center  
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Athens, TN 37303  
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March Specials >>> 2 Country Ham Biscuits \$3  
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All Day, Every Day: Chicken Tips or Chicken Philly, choice of side, bakery, & dessert-\$6.99

**TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT:**  
U.S. stocks finished higher following the worst down day since 1987. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 1049 points or 5.2% to 21,238. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 143 points or 6.0% to 2,529, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 430 points or 6.2% to 7,335.

**WEATHER FORECAST**  
Wednesday: Mostly cloudy. Possible PM shower. High 74.  
Wed Night: Mostly cloudy. Possible PM shower. Low 61.  
Thursday: Very warm with clouds. Possible PM shower. High 77.  
More Weather at: [wysi.com](http://wysi.com)

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## Obituaries

♦ **Marquis D. Dotson, Sr.**, age 94, of Athens, died last Thursday. He was the founder of M.D. Dotson and Sons Funeral Home of Athens and Cleveland. He was also a member of the famous Tuskegee Airmen, the first all-black Army Air Corps unit of fighter pilots established during World War II. He retired from Bowater after 37 years. He was a former president of the McMinn County NAACP chapter. Funeral services will be 1 p.m. (corrected time) Saturday at Greater Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, with visitation from 1 to 7 p.m. Friday at M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home of Athens and on Saturday from noon to 1 p.m. at the Greater Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church.

♦ **Debra Brown**, age 65, of Athens, died Monday at her home. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. on Saturday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. prior to the service.

♦ **Billy R. Casteel, Sr.**, age 82, of Etowah, died Monday. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. on Thursday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m., prior to the service.

♦ **Carol Brown Arnwine**, age 65, of Athens, died March 12, at Starr Regional of Athens. She had worked at McKeehan Chair Company. A funeral service will be held Sunday at 3 p.m. at Greater Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church with visitation from 2 to 3 p.m. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

✓ The guests on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be Sidney and Kayla, students at Women at the Well. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. each Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5 or [ONLINE](#).

## Highway 411 Camper Fire

Around 12:30 Monday afternoon, the Englewood and Etowah Rural Fire Departments were called to this camper trailer fire on Highway 411 N., Madisonville. The 1980 Heritage camper was fully involved upon arrival of the fire departments and was a total loss.

(Photo by Lynn Ingram, Englewood Rural Fire Dept)



### Senior Day

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Every Day

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Chris White  
President & CEO



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