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Tuesday, October 27, 2020

Athens, Tennessee

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The McMinn County Health Department continues to COVID-19 test Monday thru Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. The tests are free and drive-thru. No appointment is needed.
- ✓ The McMinn Co. Health Department also is giving FREE flu shots Monday thru Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. via drive-thru. No appointment is needed. If you wish to get your flu shot in the morning, call 745-7431 for an appointment. Other county health departments in Tennessee are also giving free flu shots.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE MONDAY P.M.

Tennessee: 249,866 cases, up 2,279. 3163 deaths, up 32.

COUNTY	CASES	RECOVERED	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	1,659 up 19	1,371	251	37
Meigs	329 up 2	258	65	6
Monroe	1,472 up 10	1,204	240	28
Polk	517 up 6	454	50	13
Bradley	3,619 up 32	3,281	315	23
Rhea	1,124 up 13	976	130	18

Mother-Son Dance Goes Virtual

The Athens Parks Department announces that the 29th annual Mother-Son Dance has gone virtual. Instead of having the dance in person, dance contestants will be invited to submit a video on the City of Athens Facebook event page. There will be four categories for prizes: Best Dressed, Best Video Location, Most Creative Video, and Best Overall Video. The winners will be chosen by the community by most "likes." The winners for the Best Overall Video will receive a 32" Smart TV. Guidelines for the video contest are online at: www.cityofathensstn.com/parks. Participation is limited to one submission per son. Group participation is welcome. Video submissions will be accepted from Nov. 2nd-12th. Another activity the Parks and Recreation Department is doing for the Mother-Son Dance is to host a Mother-Son Date at The Athens Movie Palace. From November 6th-11th, the City of Athens will sponsor a movie for Mothers and Sons to attend for free. At the theater, parks staff will have photo props for picture taking and there will be a fun dance to start the movie. For more information on the Mother-Son Virtual Dance, contact the Athens Parks and Recreation Department by phone at 744-2700.

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- white street market
- New Attitude Boutique
- The Beanery Uncorked
- Open Door Café
- Greeks Bearing Gifts
- Standing Ovation 19
- Rosebuds and Polka Dot
- Creekside Massage & Yoga
- Pair A Dice Games
- Fuller's Frame Shop & Gallery
- Food City
- 216 N. White Street
- 104 N. White Street
- 2 N. White Street
- 3 N. Jackson Street
- 11 N. Jackson Street
- 123 N. Jackson Street
- 201 E. Washington Ave
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- 105 S. Hill Street

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Debbie Haney**, 67, of Athens, died last Friday at Willow Acres Assisted Living. For ten years, she spent seven weeks each summer in Oxford, England, where she cooked meals for participants at the C.S. Lewis Foundation's Summer Seminars held at the home of C.S. Lewis. She was also a registered nurse. Services will be held on Sunday, November 22nd, at 2 p.m. at Woodward Avenue Church of God. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home in charge.
- ♦ **Randall Lynn Ratledge**, 49, of Athens, died Sunday at Hospice of Chattanooga. The family will receive friends from 1 to 3 p.m. Wednesday at Ziegler Funeral Home. A graveside service will follow at 3:30 p.m. in Cedar Grove Cemetery.
- ♦ **Stephany Nicole Kuhlman**, 23, of Athens, died Saturday at U.T. Medical Center in Knoxville. Arrangements will be announced by Zigler Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Eric "Tyler" Patterson**, 29, of Sweetwater (formerly of Decatur), died September 30th. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

◆ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ A "Putting for Presents" golf tournament will be held on November 7th at Ridgewood Golf Course. \$60 per person for a 4-man select shot; \$240 per team. Proceeds go to support the McMinn County Sheriff's Office "Merry Christmas Shop with a Cop" program. Shop with a Cop provides Christmas gifts for children in need. For more information, call 506-3490 or 435-2653.

Ribbon Cut for Athens Nutrition

A ribbon cutting was celebrated recently for new Athens Chamber of Commerce member, Athens Nutrition, located at 918 Dupitt Street. Pictured, front row (L-R): Lisa Rhea (Chamber Diplomat), Matt Coe (Athens Nutrition), Ronnie Owens and Rachel Smith (Owners), Jackie Simpson (Athens Nutrition), Karen Raby & Amy McDonald (Diplomats). Back row: Mona Presley, Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Tina South (Diplomat), and State Rep. Mark Cochran.

(Photo from Julie Simbeck, Athens Chamber)



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10 large
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