

Community News You Can Use

Getting Ready for the 4th

✓ The Etowah 4th of July Celebration takes place Saturday, July 3rd, at the L&N Depot. The full day of activities starts at 7:30 a.m. with the Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast. The fireworks show is at 9:45, and will be followed by music featuring the Dexter Thomas Band.

✓ The Athens Fireworks Show starts at 9:30 p.m. Sunday at Athens Regional Park. The public will not be allowed inside the park, so find a good viewing spot in nearby shopping center parking lots.

✓ The American Legion will have a 4th of July celebration on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Market Park Pavilion, with free food and music.

✓ The Decatur Fireworks Show will be Sunday night following the Downtown Summer Nights concert. The concert, featuring Skelton Key and Aunt Betty, starts at 6 p.m.

✓ The Sounds of Summer Concert at Market Park Pavilion in Downtown Athens this Saturday will feature Maya Trippe and a military band called Rolling Thunder. The free concert starts at 7 p.m. Bring your own blanket and chair.

✓ Monday, July 5th, is the official federal holiday for the 4th of July. Banks, the post office, and most government offices will be closed. Garbage will not be picked up.

The Morning Fax will not be published on Monday. Have a great and safe 4th of July, and we'll see you on Tuesday.

The photo below shows Etowah Historical Commission members Allen McCroskey and Jim Caldwell washing the caboose in preparation for Etowah's Old Fashion Fourth of July celebration. (Photo by Linda Caldwell)







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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

• Curtis Trotter, age 92, of Athens, died Wednesday at his home. He worked for Athens Supply Company for 41 years. Graveside services will be Saturday at 4 p.m. at Cedar Grove Cemetery, with a drop-by visitation from 2 until 3:30 p.m. at Smith Funeral Home.

• Sharon Crockett Coltharp, age 84, of Etowah, died Wednesday after a lingering illness. She was retired from Athens Products. Graveside services will be Saturday at 11:30 a.m. at Green Hill Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.

• Ann Sue Goode died Tuesday at Starr Regional. A celebration of life will be held Friday at 4 p.m. in the Cleveland Chapel of Companion Funeral Home, with visitation from 2 to 4 p.m.

• Alma Lee Wilson, age 94, of Etowah, died Wednesday at Starr Regional of Athens. A graveside service will be next Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. in Erwin, TN. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.

COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Thursday 7-01

Tennessee: <u>COUNTY</u>	867,157 cases 12,5 <u>CASES</u>	68 deaths. <u>ACTIVE</u>	<u>DEATHS</u>
McMinn	6,665	9	103
Meigs	1,429	1	24
Monroe	5,986 up 1	13	97
Polk	2,112	3	24
Bradley	15,299 up 6	33	154
Rhea	4,386 up 1	5	82

Church News & Events

- The Back to Normal" comedy tour, featuring Scott Davis, will appear at North Etowah Baptist Church on Sunday, July 11th, at 6 p.m. For more information, call 263-5531.

- Endless Highway will be in concert at Solid Rock Baptist Church in Calhoun this Sunday, July 4th, at 10:30 a.m.

- Athens Lutheran Church invites you to join them from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. July 12th-16th for VBS. Explore "God's Wonder Lab, Jesus Does the Impossible!" Lunch will be provided each day. For more information or to register, call 368-4575.

- If you or someone you know is battling addiction, struggling with anger, or other life issues, Planted In Christ Outreach Fellowship, 317 Maple Street, in Athens invites you to attend Outreach Deliverance Classes every Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

- Niota First Baptist Church will present "Life on Wednesday" at 6 p.m. each week with Bible Study and games for all first grade through high school students. Snacks are provided.

- Sephie's Closet, a thrift store and ministry associated with Niota United Methodist Church, is now open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sephie's closet is located adjacent to the church's parking lot at 10 W. Main Street in Niota.

- Lane's Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church announces that the annual homecoming on July 4th has been cancelled due to COVID-19 regulations.

