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Today's News... This Morning

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Wednesday, November 10, 2021

Athens, Tennessee

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The City of Niota will have a Car, Truck, and Motorcycle Show this Saturday, November 13th, at the Niota Depot. The hours are 10 to 4. There is a \$10 entry fee.
- ✓ Thursday, November 11th, is Veterans Day. In Athens, the annual Veterans Day ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. under the big jet in front of the VFW Post on N. Congress Parkway. Meigs County's annual Veterans Day ceremony will be at 11 a.m. in front of the Meigs County Courthouse. The Athens Lutheran Church will have a pancake breakfast for Veterans and their families this Saturday, Nov. 13th, from 8 to 11 a.m.
- ✓ In Tuesday's Morning Fax, the headline stated "Shankle Wins TWU Award", but it should have read "Woodcock Wins TWU Award."

The differences shown below for cases and active cases are the differences between Friday's Report & Tuesday's Report.

◆ COVID-19 VIRUS UPDATE Tuesday 11-09

Tennessee: 1,290,122 cases up 1,114. 16,601 deaths up 45.

COUNTY	CASES	ACTIVE	DEATHS
McMinn	10,603 up 26	72 down 10	134 up 1
Meigs	2,200 up 3	22 down 6	29 up 1
Monroe	9,787 up 25	85 up 6	126 up 2
Polk	3,208 up 6	21 up 5	31
Bradley	22,319 up 43	168 down 23	203 up 1
Rhea	7,025 up 12	39 down 7	93

Bell Not Seeking Re-election

State Senator Mike Bell of Riceville says he will not be a candidate for re-election in 2022. Bell was first elected to the House of Representatives in 2006 before moving to the State Senate in 2010 where he represents McMinn, Monroe, Bradley, Meigs, and Polk counties.

Bell is currently the chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee. He says it has been the highest honor of his life to serve in the Tennessee General Assembly. However, he says just as he knew it was time for him to run for office in 2006, he feels it is now time



to move to the next chapter of his life and pass the leadership mantle for his district to a new state senator.

During his legislative tenure, Senator Bell has been a strong advocate of Second Amendment rights, including sponsoring the law establishing the right to carry a firearm without a permit. He also sponsored several laws protecting unborn children, laws strengthening penalties for human trafficking, and bills removing unfair restrictions concerning the eligibility of home school students for Tennessee's lottery scholarships.

Bell will continue to serve until a new state senator is elected in the regular general election on November 8th, 2022.

RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT



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WEATHER FORECAST

Wednesday - Plenty of sunshine. High 72.

Wednesday night - Partly cloudy. Low 50.

Thursday - Cloudy. Possible rain in p.m. High 67.

Thursday night - Possible rain in p.m. Low 40.

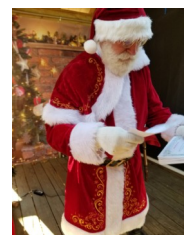
Friday - Sunny. High 59.

More Weather at: wysi.com



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Obituaries

♦ **Bennie W. Jones**, age 81, of McMinn County, died Tuesday at his home. He taught Metal Technology for more than 21 years at the McMinn County Vocational Center, where his students called him "Doc." The family will receive friends on Wednesday, Nov. 10th, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Companion Funeral Home. A service celebrating his life will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, followed by interment in McMinn Memory Gardens.

♦ **Michael "Mike" Steven Liner**, age 65, of Calhoun, died Monday at his farm. He was General Manager for Calhoun-Charleston Utilities for 33 years. Funeral services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at Hiwassee Baptist Church in Calhoun, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the church. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **James Walter Droke**, age 88, of Athens, died Monday in an Etowah healthcare facility. He was born in Charleston, TN. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. on Wednesday at Companion Funeral Home with visitation from 1 to 2 p.m. prior to the service.

A NO-SHOW BREAKFAST

Grace & Mercy Ministries is having a "Breakfast of Givers". But don't plan to attend. It's a "no show" breakfast fundraiser. Though they are postponing their in-person fundraiser, they still need your support to continue providing at least 200 meals per week. Don't show up, but you are asked to donate virtually. You can donate virtually at CashApp: \$GraceMercyTN or mail your contribution to: Grace & Mercy Ministries; P.O. Box 1443; Athens, TN 37371-1443.

Pouring More Concrete

Construction crews and concrete truck drivers were up early this past Saturday morning, pouring concrete onto the roof of the new city school buildings currently under construction. The concrete was pumped from the trucks into the pipe that went up in the air and then came down onto the roof where workmen were waiting to spread out the concrete.

(Morning Fax Staff Photo)



**Pancake Breakfast for Veterans
and their families....**

**Saturday, November 13th
from 8 am until 11:00 am.**

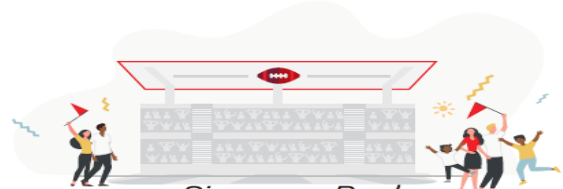
**Help us Celebrate and Honor
our Veterans.**

**We are collecting canned goods in
conjunction with this event to support
local food pantries during the holidays.**



**Athens Lutheran Church
710 Forrest Ave, Athens, TN. 37303**

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11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m**

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