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Friday-March 16, 2012

Athens, Tennessee

STATE & LOCAL NEWS

◆ UNEMPLOYMENT UP IN JANUARY

The jobless rate increased in both McMinn and Meigs counties in January. The rate in McMinn County was 10.4% in January, up from 9.8% in December. In Meigs County, unemployment in January was 11.2%, up from 10.5% in December. Unemployment dropped a hair in Monroe County, falling from 12.1% in December to 12% in January.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Athens Travelers Car Club will have its first "Cruise-In" Saturday evening in downtown Athens. Streets around the Courthouse Square will be closed from 4 p.m. until 10 p.m.
- ✓ BECU will have its 2nd annual 5k Run--1 Mile Fun Walk and Pancake Breakfast tomorrow. The breakfast will be at Applebee's from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Registration for the Run-Walk will be at 8 a.m. in the Applebee's parking lot. Proceeds go to the American Cancer Society.
- ✓ One Main Financial in the Belk's Plaza will have a yard sale Saturday starting at 7 a.m. All proceeds go to the March of Dimes.
- ✓ MEDIC Regional Blood Center will be at the McMinn Plaza (Ingles) in Athens today from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

- ◆ Afghanistan's President Karzai is calling for NATO troops to leave Afghan villages and confine themselves to major bases after the slaughter of 16 civilians by a single U.S. soldier.
- ◆ The number of Americans claiming new jobless benefits fell to a four-year low last week. The news helped push stocks to their 7th gain in a row. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 58.66 at 13,252.76.
- ◆ Former Illinois governor Rod Blagojevich has entered a prison outside Denver to begin serving a 14-year sentence on corruption charges, including charges that he tried to sell or trade President Obama's old U.S. Senate seat.
- ◆ New guidelines have been issued concerning tests for cervical cancer for women. The new guidelines say a Pap test every three years is the best way to screen most women, starting at age 21 and ending at 65. The guidelines say women over 30 who choose to also be tested for the cancer-causing HPV virus can be checked every five years instead.
- ◆ A zoo in Germany held a news conference to show off a rare earless baby bunny. However, the news conference came to an abrupt end when a TV camera operator accidentally stepped on the rabbit, causing its demise.

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5K @ 8:30am & walk @ 8:35am

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For more info. visit www.bowaterecu.org

All proceeds benefit American Cancer Society

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Who's New In Pink & Blue?

Allen James Hubbard was born March 12th at Athens Regional Medical Center. He weighed 9 pounds and 14 ounces and was 21½ inches long. His parents are Robin and James Hubbard of Athens.

Natalie Jade Moore was born March 9th at ARMC. She weighed 6 pounds and 5 ounces and was 18¾ inches long. Her mother is Kristy Moore of Madisonville.

CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

- Mike Simmons, Principal of Athens City Middle School, will be the guest speaker this Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Men's Ministry at Freedman Chapel Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Athens.

- The Athens Church of Christ will have a griefshare class starting on April 9th from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. for anyone suffering from the loss of a loved one. There is no charge for the 13-week session. Call Kaye McCullough at 745-2399.

- There will be a revival at the Cooke Ministry Center, 714 Walter Street, in Athens March 19-24 at 7 p.m.

Obituaries

Roger Raymond Meinheit, age 66, of Englewood, died Thursday at his home. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Ziegler Funeral Home with visitation from 5-8 p.m. Friday at Ziegler.

Johnny Kirkland Gore, age 60, of Decatur, died Wednesday night in a traffic accident near Decatur. Visitation will be Saturday from 2-4 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home with burial at a later date in Chadbourne, NC.

Harold D. Hutsell, age 77, of Athens, died Thursday as a result of a traffic accident on Thursday. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.

THE GYPSY HOMBRES AT THE ARTS CENTER

The Arts Center's Black Box Concert Series continues tonight with a performance by the Nashville-based string trio, *The Gypsy Hombres*. The acoustic violin/guitar/upright bass trio blends traditional jazz with European, South American, and classical music. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for students. Showtime is 7:30 p.m.



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