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Tuesday, September 29, 2015

Athens, Tennessee

State and Local News

◆ JOBLESS RATE DROPS IN AREA

The unemployment figures for August show the jobless rate dropped significantly in every county in the Athens area. In McMinn County, unemployment in August was 6.4%, down from 7.2% in July. Meigs County's jobless rate was 7.4% in August, down from 8.5% in July. Monroe County's unemployment rate dropped below that of McMinn County for the first time in many months. The jobless rate in Monroe County was 6.3% in August, down from 7.2% in July. Polk County's August unemployment rate was 6.6%, down sharply from 8.2% in July. In Bradley County, the jobless rate was 5.6% in August, down from 6.3% in July.

◆ UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN IS 2/3RDS THERE!

The 2016 United Way Campaign in McMinn and Meigs counties is off and running, and already 66% of the \$650,000 goal has been raised. The campaign kick-off was held last Friday. Scottie Mayfield is the 2016 president, and Greg Moses and Rhonda Whaley with the DPA are co-chairs. They are shown in the photo to the right. Moses is holding the mic.



NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ Kevin McCarthy, House Majority Leader, officially announced his intention to gain election to the position of Speaker of the House in the wake of current Speaker John Boehner's resignation.

◆ A new cluster of Legionnaires' disease has been found in the Morris Park section of the Bronx in New York City. Seven additional cases of Legionnaires' disease is being investigated by the New York City Department of Health. No deaths have been reported.

◆ Two large wildfires that have been burning for weeks in California are finally nearing full containment.

◆ Facebook suffered from an apparent outage on Monday afternoon due to a configuration issue, but was back up and running by 4:30 p.m. ET.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ Starr Regional Medical Center Senior Care will have an Open House this Thursday from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Etowah campus. You'll have the opportunity to tour the facility and learn about their geriatric psychiatry program. There will be refreshments and door prizes.

✓ The Athens Civitan Club will have its 6th annual Golf Tournament this Thursday, October 1st, at Ridgewood Golf Course. The entry fee is \$65 per person and includes lunch, greens, and cart fee. There will be a 1 p.m. Shotgun Start. For more information, call Connie Bishop at 506-1957.

✓ The McMinn County Living Heritage Museum invites you to join them for their 2015 Quilt Show, "A World of Fabrics," October 3rd through 31st. There will be an opening reception this Saturday at 11 a.m.

4th Annual Meigs Co. Rodeo

Oct. 2-3 7:30pm

Thompson Arena,
Hwy. 58 South, Decatur
Admission: Adults \$13;
6 & Under free



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WHEN RADIO WAS

Old-time Radio Shows
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Tonight:
**Fibber McGee & Molly
& The Hermit's Cave**

Tuesday, September 29, 2015

Athens, Tennessee

Murders On Main Street

If you're looking for a good murder, Etowah is the place to be. The Etowah Area Chamber of Commerce will combine entertainment with true local history in the 4th annual presentation of "Murders On Main Street." "Murders" is a historic interpretation of six murders that occurred on Tennessee Avenue during Etowah's first 40 years from 1908-1947. Tours will be held on October 8-10 from 6:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. You will be able to witness scenes of the crimes as history comes alive while walking to the actual spots where the murders occurred.



Actors from the Gem Players Association (right) will play the part of those accused of murder and their victims. The first documented murder on Tennessee Avenue took place in 1908 when Etowah was a brand new railroad town. The 10-block walking tour will take you by lantern light through the downtown district leaving the L&N Depot every 15 minutes. Tickets are \$10.00. To make reservations, call 263-2228.

Obituaries

- **Billy Wayne Baxter, Jr.**, age 53, of Athens died Sunday at Vanderbilt Medical Center in Nashville. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- **Steve Queen**, age 67, of the Tranquility Community near Athens, died Monday at his residence. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks fell as investors weighed concerns about slowing economic growth in China and mixed U.S. economic data. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 312.78 at 16,001.89. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 49.57 at 1,881.77, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 142.53 at 4,543.97

TIME TO GET THAT FLU SHOT

With the flu season about here, the Tennessee Department of Health is reminding everyone to get a flu vaccination now to keep themselves and their loved ones healthy. Health Commissioner John Dreyzehner says getting a flu vaccination is really about protecting other people, not just ourselves. Flu vaccines are widely available across Tennessee from county health departments, pharmacies, and doctors' offices. Everyone over six months of age is encouraged to get a flu vaccination. It is especially important for young children, the elderly, and pregnant women to be vaccinated. Nine children in Tennessee died from flu during the 2014-2015 flu season.

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Daily,
M-F
6:30am,
Sat.



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wysi@bellsouth.net

Starr Regional Medical Center Senior Care

OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, October 1, 4-6 p.m. | Etowah Campus

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WEATHER

Tuesday - 80% rain & t'storms. Highs in the mid 70's.
Tuesday night - Mostly cloudy. 60% rain. Lows in the mid 60's.
Wednesday - Cloudy. 60% rain. Highs in the lower to mid 70's.
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