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 McMinn County High School
 Monday - Friday 8:45 - 3:00
 Assortment of Vegetables, Herbs,
 Flowers, & Hanging Baskets
 6 Packs \$3 ~ Hanging Baskets \$8
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 Ag Dept & FFA Chapter
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Today's News... This Morning

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YARD SALE EVENT
 Sponsored by St. Mary Youth Group
St. Mary Catholic Church
 1291 E. Madison Ave., Athens
Early Bird Sale \$5 at the door
Friday, April 20th 5-7pm
Saturday, April 21st 8am-2pm
 Outdoor & Household items, furniture,
 beautiful 8x12 rug, Christmas treasures,
 pack 'n play crib, clothes for all ages
 and much more.

Thursday, April 19, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

STATE & LOCAL NEWS

◆ COKER ELECTED ATHENS VICE MAYOR

City Councilman John Coker has been elected by his fellow council members to be the city's Vice Mayor, replacing Dick Pelley who was ousted last Monday. Pelley nominated Coker for the position. The vote was 3 to 1, with Yvonne Raper voting no. The Council also heard the Athens Police and Fire Department's reports for the month of March. Police Chief Cliff Couch reported there were 39 thefts, 17 assaults, 15 burglaries, three sex offenses, three motor vehicle thefts, and two robberies in March. Police issued 246 citations for moving violations. Fire Chief Jim Dyer said firefighters responded to 61 calls, including 6 building fires.

◆ EUREKA TRAIL GRANT APPROVED

McMinn County has received a \$75,000 Tourism Enhancement Grant to develop the last phase of Eureka Trail from Highway 39 to Englewood. The money will be used to help complete the remaining 1.5 miles of the 6.4 mile trail along an abandoned CSX railroad right-of-way from Athens to Englewood. The final section of the trail is ready for hard surfacing, lighting, signage, sidewalks, and curbs and guttering.

National & World News

◆ Lois Reiss, a 56-year-old Minnesota woman wanted for allegedly shooting her husband to death, then killing and stealing the identity of a Florida woman, is on the run after the alleged multi-state crime spree that spans 1,500 miles. She was last spotted in Corpus Christi, Texas, and is expected to continue targeting other women who look like her to steal their identities.

◆ A New York City nanny has been found guilty of the murders of two young children who were stabbed to death in their Upper West Side apartment.

◆ A United Nations security team came under fire in Douma on Tuesday during a visit to the site of a suspected chemical attack in the Syrian town. The team was there to survey conditions before chemical weapons experts inspect the site. Gunshots were fired at the team and an explosive was detonated before they returned to Damascus.

◆ More than 1,500 people, including first lady Melania Trump, will attend the funeral of Barbara Bush which will be held at St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Houston on Saturday morning.

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Betty Ruth Burger Ledford**, age 82, of Athens, died Tuesday at Starr Regional in Etowah. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- ♦ **Diane Wilcox**, age 62, of Athens, died Tuesday at Parkwest Hospital. A celebration of her life will be held Thursday at 5 p.m. at Companion Funeral Home of Athens, with visitation from 3 to 5 p.m. at Companion.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Athens Thrive Team and Athens Public Works Director Ben Burchfield invite you to join them for a community clean up day at the "pocket spot" located on North Jackson Street behind Big Belly Deli in Downtown Athens. The hours are 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Call 333-0329 for more information.
- ✓ The Bradley County Master Gardeners organization is sponsoring a Spring Forward Fest this Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Museum Center at Five Points in Cleveland. There will be garden seminars and workshops and admission is free.

Total Meltdown Opens

A ribbon cutting ceremony was held recently for Total Meltdown (Grilled Cheese & More) located at 107 New Englewood Road in Athens. Joining the celebration were left to right, front row: Ginger Carter, Paula Williams, Chelsea (employee), Kristen Williams (General Manager), Shaylee Williams, Shanah Williams, Malika Williams, Scarlett Williams, Justin Williams (Owner), Haley Padgett, Brittany, Amanda, & T.J. (employees), Erin Blankenship, McMinn County Mayor John Gentry. Back row: Moises Contreras, Becky Wattenbarger (Chamber Chairman), Holly Goines, Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Kim York, Lisa Harrison, Jacob (delivery driver), Mark Cochran, Yvonne Raper, Edward Goodman, and Keith Price.

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