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Today's News...This Morning

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Gary Christian, father of Channon Christian, who was brutally murdered in Knoxville in 2007 will be telling his story of **RESTORATION** at 10:30 am at Mt. Harmony Baptist Church, 130 CR 362, Niota and Niota First Baptist Church, 6 Main St., Niota at 6 pm on February 3rd. *Everyone is invited to attend.*
Details: garychristianseminars.com or call Mt. Harmony Baptist Church 453-8321.

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

Athens, Tennessee

Local & Area News

◆ EMPLOYMENT UP IN ATHENS AREA

Every county in the Athens area recorded an increase in employment from November to December, with the exception of Meigs County. The unemployment rate in Athens was 3.6% in December, down from 3.9% in November. Meigs County's jobless rate was 4.3% in both November and December. Monroe County's unemployment rate was 3.2% in December, down from 3.5% in November. Polk County's jobless rate in December was 3.5%, down from 3.8% in November. In Bradley County unemployment in December was 2.9%, down from 3.3% in November. Statewide, seventy-six counties saw a decrease in unemployment.

◆ MEIGS CO. GETS CLEAN AUDIT REPORT

Tennessee Comptroller Justin P. Wilson has announced that eight Tennessee counties have achieved a distinctive honor. They all received a clean audit report for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 2018. The counties include Meigs, Roane, Blount, and Sevier. All eight annual audits were completed without any findings. Only a select number of Tennessee counties will receive an audit report without a finding indicating weaknesses or deficiencies in government operations. Only 13 counties audited by the Comptroller's Office received clean audit reports in fiscal year 2017. The eight clean reports for fiscal year 2018 were among the first round of audits to have been released. The audit reports from other counties, including McMinn County, will be released later.

On a Snowy January Morn

A blanket of snow turned Tuesday morning to a black and white winter wonderland. Snow fall ranging from 1¼ to 2 inches in the Athens area covered lawns, decks, roof and car tops, but mostly left the roadways untouched. All the schools were called off for the day and that helped to keep traffic off the roads. In addition, brine had been sprayed on the main Athens streets in advance. The photo below was taken outside the WYXI/Morning Fax offices.



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WEATHER FORECAST
Wednesday - Cloudy. High 31.
Wednesday night - Cloudy.
Low 14.
Thursday - Sunny. High 40.
Thursday night - Partly cloudy. Low 26.
Friday - Cloudy. High 47.
More Weather at: wxyi.com

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RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT



January Specials >> 2 Sausage Biscuits for \$2
• 1 Breast - 1 Fixin - 1 Biscuit - 22 oz Drink: \$5
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• **FRIDAY - SWEETWATER 10:30-2:00**

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Jeffery Lynn "Yogi" Franklin**, age 50, of McMinn County, died last Saturday at Sweetwater Hospital. The family will receive friends Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. at Companion Funeral Home of Athens.
- ♦ **Patricia Arnett**, age 67, of Athens, died Monday at her home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Companion Funeral Home of Athens.

DID YOU KNOW? It is against the law to throw a snowball "maliciously" at another person in Athens. The Municipal Code actually deals with Throwing Missiles. It states: "It shall be unlawful for any person to maliciously throw any stone, snowball, bottle, or any other missile upon or at any vehicle, building, tree, or other public or private property or upon or at any person."

TUESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks finished the day mixed as investors weighed the latest earnings and the odds of a trade breakthrough between the U.S. and China. Technology shares declined ahead of corporate earnings this week. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 52 points or 0.2% to 24,580. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 4 points or 0.2% to 2,640, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 57 points or 0.8% to 7,028.

Community News You Can Use

- The annual Athens Area Chamber of Commerce Dinner meeting will be held Thursday night, January 31st, at 6:00 p.m. at the Conference Center in the Athens Regional Park.
- The Optimist Club of Athens will present the annual Distinguished Young Woman's Program this Saturday, February 2nd at 6 p.m. at Athens City Middle School. Sixteen juniors from local high schools will be participating in this year's program.
- The Etowah Carnegie Library will celebrate Groundhog Day this Friday, Feb. 1st, with a program titled Groundhog Pudding Cups. It starts at 4 p.m. Next Monday, February 4th, the library will present Valentine's Storytime at 4 p.m.
- The Etowah Area Chamber of Commerce will have its monthly Good Morning Etowah gathering this Friday from 8 to 9 a.m. at the Etowah Carnegie Library.
- The Southeast Tennessee Human Resource Agency (SETHRA) is currently taking applications for the low income Home Energy Assistance program. Call 745-8095.
- The guest on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be Pat McCulley, pastor of River Worship Center in Delano. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. each Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5 or [ONLINE](#).



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