WEATHER FORECAST

Thursday - Sunny. High 41.
Thursday Night - Clear to
partly cloudy. Low 27.
Friday - Cloudy. High 48.
Friday Night - Some clouds.
Low 34.

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Athens, Tennessee

State & Area News

ETOWAH HOUSE FIRE

The Etowah City Fire Department responded to a house fire on Eighth Street Tuesday afternoon. The Etowah Rural and Englewood Rural Fire Departments responded for assistance, along with Etowah Police and McMinn County Sheriff's deputies. The contents and inside of the structure sustained considerable damage. The cause is still under investigation. Etowah City Fire Chief Adam Hafley was in charge of the scene.

(Photo by Lynn Ingram with the Englewood Rural Fire Dept)



Consultant to Develop Housing Plan

The McMinn County Economic Development Authority Housing Task Force has selected a consultant to prepare market assessments for both multi-family and single-family housing in McMinn County. Hodges and Pratt Company, P.C., was chosen as the consultant with both McMinn County and the City of Athens sharing in the cost of the study. EDA Executive Director Kathy Price says the data contained in the report will be an integral part in accomplishing the Task Force's goal of developing a strategic plan to address the lack of adequate housing in McMinn County. Hodges and Pratt is a real estate appraisal firm based in Knoxville that provides appraisal and consulting services with a focus on multi-family properties. They have prepared similar studies throughout the southeast including a housing study in Sevier County after the devastating wildfires in 2016. The McMinn County study will focus on a supply analysis of the multi-family market, an analysis of the demand for rental housing, a discussion of the location and commuting patterns of the market, and the needs of small business as it relates to workforce housing. The single-family assessment will focus on a supply analysis of the single-family housing market, an analysis of the demand for single-family housing, a discussion of the various cities, locations and commuting patterns, a pricing analysis, and an analysis of the current subdivision regulations.

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RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT

Western Sizzlin' Steak House-1804 Decatur Pike
All Day: 8 oz. Sizzlin' Sirloin + Salad - Side Bakery - Dessert - Rolls ~ \$12.99
Senior Buffet: (Ages 55+) Monday-Friday
from 2-4 p.m. ~ \$6.79.



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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

- Billie Ruth Hicks Kyker, age 87, of Athens, died Monday at her home. She worked as an LPN at the Foree Hospital and as a clerk at the McMinn County Tax Assessors Office for 37 years Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Foster Cemetery. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge.
- **Douglas Charles Jackson,** 75, of Englewood, died Tuesday. He worked for TVA as a safety engineer. He was a director and actor in multiple plays with the Gem Theatre Players. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Smith Funeral Home, with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday at Smith.
- Patsy Ann Arnett, 67, a lifelong resident of McMinn County, died Monday. She worked for Kelly Shepherd & Sons Oil Co. and drove a McMinn Co. school bus over 20 years. Funeral services will be Friday at 7 p.m. at Antioch Baptist Church with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.

COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ E.G. Fisher Public Library will present "Introduction to Email" at 10 a.m. today and there will be a session on "Introduction to the Internet" on Friday at 10 a.m.
- ✓ Wednesday's Morning Fax said the Athens Chamber of Commerce's Annual Meeting tonight would start at 5:30 p.m. The time has been changed to 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 435 points or 1.8% to 25,015. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 41 points or 1.5% to 2,681. The NASDAQ Composite Index was up 155 points or 2.2% to 7,183.

Do You Know the Laws in Athens?

Most residents of Athens have never taken the time to read the city's municipal code. The code (which can be found on the City of Athens website) lists all the laws and ordinances on the books in Athens. Over the next few days, The Morning Fax will publish some of those ordinances. Here are a few to get us started:

- Policemen may require assistance in making arrests. It shall be unlawful for any male person to willfully refuse to aid a policeman in making a lawful arrest when such a person's assistance is requested by the policeman.
- The manufacture of fireworks is prohibited within the city. It
 is also unlawful to use or explode any fireworks except for
 supervised public displays by groups that have been granted a
 permit.
- Beer shall not be sold in a facility where dancing is allowed, unless the cleared area provided for dancing contains at least 144 square feet of floor space. Also, the area where beer is sold or consumed must be separated from the dance floor by a partition or wall, railing, or rope.
- Any establishment advertising a "going out of business sale" or a "fire sale" must not add to its stock and must go out of business within 90 days. Otherwise the business owner will be deemed to have violated the city ordinance.



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FEBRUARY 3, 2019

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Niota First Baptist Church, 6 Main St., Niota at 6 pm Everyone is invited to attend.

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