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LOCAL & AREA NEWS • JOBLESS RATE DOWN FROM LAST YEAR

~ East Tennesseans have extra an reason for Thanksgiving this year. After losing more than 50,000 jobs during 2008 and 2009, the metropolitan areas of East Tennessee are now leading the region in job growth. The Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development says the Chattanooga and Cleveland areas have recaptured nearly half of the jobs lost in the previous two years.

 \sim The unemployment figures for October have just been released. They show little change from September in McMinn, Meigs, and Monroe Counties, but show significant drops from October of 2009. In McMinn County, the jobless rate in October was 11.5%, down one-tenth of a percent from September, but down 1.7% from October of last year. In Meigs County, unemployment in October was 11.7%, down one-tenth of a percent from September, but down 2.3% from October of 2009. In Monroe County, the jobless rate in October was 12.4%, down four percentage points from a year ago when the rate was 16.4%.

♦ ETOWAH'S TOP COP IS RESIGNING

Etowah's police chief is stepping down. Chief Phil Robinette says he is resigning effective December 31st. He has accepted another job. An interim chief will be named until a new chief can be hired.

♦ RECYCLE THAT COOKING OIL

If you have used cooking oil as a result of deep-frying your turkey, the Athens Recycling Center will accept it. Place it in the container provided.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

• South Korea's president ordered more troops to a front-line island and dumped his defense minister as the country grappled with lapses in its response to a deadly North Korean artillery strike.

• Iraq's incumbent Prime Minister, Nouri al-Maliki, cemented his grip on power, bringing an end to nearly nine months of political deadlock after he was asked to form the next government.

• Three teens who have been missing in the South Pacific for 50 days, and were already eulogized in a memorial service, have been found alive by a New Zealand fishing boat.

◆ Today marks an anniversary of sorts. The United States will have been in active combat operations in Afghanistan for 9 years and 50 days; the same amount of time the former Soviet Union was involved in the same country before they packed-up and left.

◆ Tom Brady threw a season-high four touchdown passes, all in the second half, and the New England Patriots routed the Detroit Lions 45-24 on the Thanksgiving Day classic football game.

◆ The Tennessee Supreme Court has cleared the way for executions to resume in Tennessee with some changes in the procedures. The prison warden will have to brush his hand over an inmate's eyelashes, gently shake the inmate, and call out his name to check for consciousness after the lethal injection has been given.

• A German senior citizen, who wanted to seal off the entrance to his cellar, ended up bricking himself inside of it. Police were alerted when neighbors heard strange drilling noises.



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Obituaries

Dorothea "Dot" Wilson, age 78, of Athens died Wednesday at her residence. She worked for the Knoxville Journal, Knoxville News Sentinel, Chattanooga Times and Chattanooga News Free Press for many years as a columnist. Later she was an office secretary and bookkeeper at McMinn County High School. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Friday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 6 to 8 p.m.

Garland Frazier Carpenter, age 83, of Decatur died Tuesday at SkyRidge Medical Center. He was a former mayor and alderman in Decatur. He was a steamfitter and worked for TVA for 36 years. He served in the Coast Guard during World War Two. Funeral services will be at 8:30 p.m. Friday at Bowers Funeral Home in Decatur, with vistation from 4 to 8 p.m.

Church News & Events

➤ The Senior Adult Choir from First Baptist Church of Athens will present "Beautiful Star" this Sunday at 6 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Decatur.

➤ Pope Ave. Baptist Church in Athens will have a "Hanging of the Green" service this Sunday at 6 p.m.

➤ Calvary Baptist Church in Riceville will have their "Hanging of the Green" service Sunday night at 6.

