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Monday-June 27, 2011

Athens, Tennessee

Local & Area News

◆ UNEMPLOYMENT IN AREA UP SLIGHTLY

Unemployment in May went down in 56 counties, but went up a bit in McMinn, Meigs, and Monroe counties. The jobless rate in McMinn County was 11.7% in May, up from 11.6% in April. Unemployment in Meigs County was 11.9% in May, up from 11.8% in April. In Monroe County, the unemployment rate in May was 13.2%, up from 13% in April.

◆ AFD ISSUES FIREWORKS SAFETY TIPS

Summer means picnics, barbecues, and fireworks displays. Each year, several thousand people are treated in emergency rooms for fireworks-related injuries. The Athens Fire Department says the best way to enjoy fireworks safely is to watch a public fireworks display conducted by professionals. Shooting fireworks is illegal inside the City of Athens. However, if fireworks are legal where you live, be sure to follow these safety tips: Never allow young children to handle fireworks, light fireworks outdoors in a clear area away from onlookers and houses, light one device at a time and maintain a safe distance after lighting, never ignite fireworks in a container, and do not try to re-light fireworks that malfunction. Instead, douse them with water.

STATE-NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

◆ The Tennessee Board of Regents has approved tuition hikes of between eight and eleven percent. The actual increase for each student depends on how many credit hours that the student is taking. The Regents also approved a three percent cost of living increase for employees at its 6 universities, 13 two-year colleges and 26 technology centers.

◆ Nashville police say a 21-year-old man was killed when he was struck by a car while urinating on the median of Vietnam Veterans Boulevard. Police say he and two of his friends had been drinking. No charges were filed.

◆ One of the world's oldest and largest gay pride parades turned into a carnival-like celebration of same-sex marriage Sunday as hundreds of thousands of revelers rejoiced at New York's new law giving gay couples the right to marry.

◆ The Souris River began a slow retreat from Minot, ND yesterday, but officials warned danger would remain for several days until the highest water passed.

◆ Rebels in Libya's western mountains said they have advanced and are battling Moammar Gadhafi's forces in a strategic town just 50 miles from the capital.



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We encourage you to e-mail announcements of community events, church news, or other items of interest for possible use in the Morning Fax. Also, if you have a newsworthy photograph, send it to us at: wysi@bellsouth.net

Monday, June 27, 2011

Athens, Tennessee

Amateurs "Ham" It Up

The McMinn County Amateur Radio Club conducted their annual field day exercises over the weekend at the Athens Regional Park. The volunteers provide emergency communications through many organizations such as the Salvation Army, Red Cross, and for the military, all at no charge. Details are available at the club website:

www.mcminnarc.com

In the photo, Daris Goforth, K4RST, demonstrates some digital radio gear to Katlyn Bare, age 10. Membership is available for youth and adults and teaches skills for future careers as well as math, science and radio technology.

(Photo Special for the Morning Fax submitted by Scott Duckworth, NA4IT)



Obituaries

Betty Sprinkle Hood, age 77, of Etowah died last Tuesday at her residence. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Bordwine Funeral Home.

George A. "Cotton" Dillard, age 81, of Etowah, died Saturday at Woods Memorial Hospital. He was an employee at Beaunit Corp. and was retired from 411 Corp. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 5-7 p.m.

Judge T. Mack Blackburn, age 91, died Sunday at ARMC. Funeral arrangements TBA by Smith Funeral Home.

Peter Falk, the actor who played the quirky and popular television detective character Columbo, died June 23 at age 83. The former cancer survivor lost his right eye years ago after being diagnosed with cancer at age 3. However, he went on to have a long and prosperous acting career with a glass eye in place. His unique look added to his trademark trenchcoat rumpled demeanor. The actor died at his home in Beverly Hills, rumored to suffer from Alzheimer's Disease.

◆ VIVID AWARD GOES TO BOBBYE BILLINGS

The Athens City Council's monthly VIVID (Very Important Volunteer Individual) Award goes to Bobbye Billings. She was a volunteer in the Boy Scout Program for many years, taught two and three year olds in Sunday school at First Baptist Church for more than 30 years, served on the board of the Living Heritage Museum, and has the reputation of being "one of the best cooks in Athens."

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THIS DAY IN HISTORY-JUNE 27

1844 - Mormon leader Joseph Smith & his brother were killed by a mob in Carthage, Illinois.

1847 - New York & Boston were linked by telegraph.

1880 - Helen Keller was born in Tuscumbia, Alabama. When she was 19 months old, she suffered an illness that left her blind, deaf, & mute. Anne Sullivan taught her to speak, read braille, and lip-read by placing her fingers on the lips and throat of the speaker. Keller later wrote several books and gave lectures around the world.

1927 - TV icon Bob Keeshan was born. He was known as Captain Kangaroo. He died in 2004.

1950- The U.N. Security Council passed a resolution calling on member nations to help South Korea repel an invasion from the North.

1985 - Route 66, which originally stretched from Chicago to Santa Monica, California, passed into history as officials decertified the road.

WEATHER

Monday - Patchy fog early, then partly sunny. 30% rain. High-low 90's.

Mon. night - Partly cloudy. 20% rain. Low-near 70.

Tuesday - Partly sunny. 50% rain. High-92. See our Zoom Radar at: www.wyxi.com

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