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Friday, March 27, 2015

Athens, Tennessee

State and Local News

◆ JOBLESS RATE DOWN IN FEBRUARY

The unemployment rate in February went down in all 95 Tennessee counties. In McMinn County, the jobless rate in February was 7.2%, down from 8% in January. Meigs County's unemployment rate in February was 8.7%, down from 9.6% in January. In Monroe County, the rate dropped from 8% in January to 7.2% in Feb.

◆ EARTHQUAKE SHAKES ATHENS AREA

A small earthquake rattled the Athens area late Wednesday night. The quake measured 2.8 and was centered about 9 miles north-northwest of Athens. McMinn County 911 dispatchers were swamped with phone calls from Athens, Riceville, Sweetwater, and Meigs County from folks reporting they felt shaking and heard a loud noise like thunder.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

- ✓ The American Legion monthly Fish Fry will be from 5 to 7:15 p.m. today at the VFW Post on North Congress Parkway. Fried fish, fries, cole slaw, hush puppies, cobbler and drink for \$9.00
- ✓ The 4th Annual Vietnam Veterans Day Ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. today at the VFW Post on North Congress Parkway. You are invited to come and help honor our Vietnam Veterans.

NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ Audio from inside the cockpit of the Germanwings flight that crashed Tuesday in the French Alps indicates co-pilot Andreas Lubitz, a 27-year-old German citizen, was in control of the Airbus A320. A public prosecutor from said at a news conference that the co-pilot intended to destroy the plane.

◆ A copy of a leaflet that was dropped over ISIS' defacto capital in Syria earlier this month has been released by the Pentagon. The leaflet drop is part of the U.S. military's psychological operations. They want to show potential ISIS recruits that they are part of a losing effort.

◆ After its sixth season, the popular PBS drama *Downton Abbey* will end. Series executive producer Gareth Neame said inevitably there comes a time when all shows should end and *Downton* is no exception. Neames promises a final season full of all the usual drama and intrigue, but with the added excitement of discovering how and where they all end up.

◆ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ Next week, March 30-April 3, is Spring Break for the McMinn County, Athens City, and Etowah City schools. Fairview Christian Academy and Christ's Legacy Academy will also be out for Spring Break next week.

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Church News and Events

- The Prom Shop will be open tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Christ Community Church, 14 S. Congress Parkway, Athens. Formal wear is available at no cost for any girl or guy wishing to attend their prom. The Prom Shop is open to high school, home school, and 8th grade students.
- First Baptist Church Athens invites you an a special Easter musical drama, **Bow the Knee**, on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 27, 28, and 29, at 7 p.m. The performance features actors, the choir, and the orchestra. Admission is free.
- Cedar Springs United Methodist Church's Biannual Breakfast, Bake and Yard Sale will be Saturday from 7 a.m. to 12 noon. The church is located at 1326 Cedar Springs Road at the Athens city limit sign.
- First Baptist Church of Englewood will present the play and musical production, "Three Days of Faith" tonight, Saturday, and Sunday at 7 p.m.
- Revelations will be singing tomorrow at 7 p.m. at the Nonaburg House of Prayer, Highway 39 East, from Englewood. Everyone is invited.

Obituaries

- **Rev. Pervice Hardaway**, age 56, of Athens died last Sunday at Starr Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Woodward Church of God, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday at M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home.

MORE CHURCH NEWS

- John Lanier will be singing this Sunday at 6 p.m. at Pope Avenue Baptist Church in Athens.
- Pastor Larry Saunders and Voice of Deliverance Ministry announce that the Family and Friends day that was to be held this Sunday has been postponed.
- The Athens Ministerial Association will hold Holy Week Services at 12:05 p.m. each day next week. Monday's service will be at Keith Methodist Church with Dr. Carlos Peterson.

WEATHER: Friday - Mostly cloudy. 20% rain. High-low 50's. **Friday night** - Mostly cloudy & colder. Low upper 20's. **Saturday** - Mostly sunny. High-mid 50's. More Weather & Zoom Radar at: www.wyxi.com

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TODAY IN HISTORY - March 27

- 1513** - Explorer Juan Ponce de Leon sighted an island. Five days later, he landed in what is now Florida in his search for the "fountain of youth."
- 1813** - American printer Nathaniel Currier was born. He formed the Currier and Ives firm with James Merritt Ives. Their company published more than 4,000 color pictures of historic events and common scenes of the times. Many of them became Christmas cards.
- 1845** - Wilhelm Roentgen was born in Germany. He discovered X-rays.
- 1928** - Singer Sarah Vaughn was born. Among her hit records were "Broken-Hearted Melody" and "Make Yourself Comfortable."
- 1964** - Alaska was hit by a major earthquake. It caused widespread destruction around Anchorage and Valdez. The quake killed 130 people and caused \$750-million in property damage.