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Monday, April 25, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

Local and Area News

◆ JOBLESS RATE FALLS TO 9-YEAR LOW

The unemployment rates for counties in the Athens area show the jobless rate in March was the lowest in nine years. McMinn County's jobless rate was 4.8% in March, down from 5.0% in February. Meigs County reported an unemployment rate in March of 6.0%, down from 6.2% in February. Monroe County's jobless rate in March was 4.7%, down from 5.2% in February.

◆ VEHICLE FIRE IN ENGLEWOOD

The Englewood Fire Department was called out early Saturday morning to a vehicle fire at the intersection of Plato and N. Amhurst. A 1999 Chevrolet Suburban owned by Rodney Wall caught fire. The fire was put out by Josh Roach of the Englewood Fire Department.

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



NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

- ◆ Ecuador's government says the death toll from last week's devastating magnitude 7.8 earthquake has risen to 654 with 58 people still missing.
- ◆ The Obama administration is expected to soon release at least part of a 28-page secret chapter from a congressional inquiry into the 9-11 attacks that may indicate that Saudi Arabia provided support for some of the hijackers while they were in the United States.
- ◆ A solar-powered airplane has landed near San Francisco following a 62-hour nonstop flight without fuel.
- ◆ A Massachusetts girl who choked on a marshmallow at a birthday party has died. The 11-year-old girl had been in the hospital since being found unconscious at a friend's birthday party a week ago. When rescuers arrived, they found a marshmallow lodged in her throat.
- ◆ Several snakes and lizards made a slithery getaway after a car crashed into a reptile shop in a strip mall in Hialeah, Florida. The woman behind the wheel was dropping off her two-year-old daughter at a day care next door when she lost control and her car plowed through the window of the store. Two snakes and four or five bearded dragons escaped.

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WEATHER

Monday - Mostly Sunny, with a high of 79

Monday night - Mostly Clear, with a low of 59

Tuesday - Partly Sunny, with a high of 81 & a 20% chance of showers

More Weather & Zoom Radar at: www.wyxi.com

Monday, April 25, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

"I Caught A Fish!"

The weather was perfect and there was a great turnout for the 18th annual free Kids Fishing Derby this past Saturday at Athens Regional Park. The cash prize winners are pictured below, L-R: Nevaeh Swinford, Lily Halvorson, Caylon Simmons, and Jenna King. Cash Prize sponsor Laurie Powell is shown with the winners. (Photo by Brianna Hanson)



Obituaries

- **Clesta Cantrell**, age 79, of Decatur died April 18th at her home after a short illness. A private memorial service will be held later. Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah is in charge of arrangements.
- **Linda Faye Stafford Ballew**, age 60, of Athens died last Wednesday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. She was a great granddaughter of Governor Joseph McMinn, founder of McMinn County. She also owned Tidy Office Cleaning Services. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m.
- **Clarence "Jack" Ross**, age 85, of Athens died last Friday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

- ✓ The Living Heritage Museum Guild's 31st annual Trash and Treasure Sale gets underway tomorrow, Tuesday, from 6 to 8 p.m. with the Premiere Party. A \$10 donation will allow you to buy early and includes light refreshments. The Sale will be open at no charge Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon. The location is the former American Bedding building on Dennis St.
- ✓ The Athens Parks Department will hold a Farmers Market Vendor Meeting on Tuesday, April 26th, at 7 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

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