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Tuesday, May 16, 2017

Athens, Tennessee

STATE & LOCAL NEWS

♦ JOBLESS RATE UP IN McMINN & MEIGS

The unemployment rate in March increased in just three counties in Tennessee. Those counties were McMinn, Meigs, and Anderson. In McMinn County, the jobless rate in March was 5.8%, up just a bit from 5.6% in February.

- Meigs County recorded an unemployment rate of 7.9% in March, up sharply from 6.7% in February. (Meigs County's unemployment rate was the second-highest in Tennessee, behind an 8.3% rate in Rhea County).
- Monroe County's jobless rate in March was 4.9%, down from 5.2% in February.
- Polk County's rate also decreased in March, dropping from 5.8% in February to 5.5% in March.
- Bradley County's unemployment rate in March was 4.5%, down slightly from 4.6% in February.

◆ GRADUATION TIME IS HERE

Commencement exercises begin this coming weekend. McMinn Central's graduation is this Friday at 7 p.m. Christ's Legacy Academy's ceremony is this Friday at 6 p.m. McMinn High School's ceremony is this Saturday at 9:30 a.m. Meigs High School's graduation is this Saturday at 10 a.m. Fairview Christian Academy will have commencement exercises on May 26th at 7 p.m. at Fairview Baptist Church in the auditorium.

National & World News

- ◆ President Donald Trump said on Monday that the search for a new FBI director is "moving rapidly." A number of candidates for the position were interviewed for the job over the weekend. Trump plans to meet with the finalists and conduct interviews personally, once the Justice Department has a recommendation.
- ◆ As of Monday, 184 people in Yemen have died from cholera, while the number of suspected cholera cases has increased to 11,000, up dramatically from just over 2,000 cases two weeks ago. A state of emergency has been declared in the country's capital of Sanaa.
- ◆ Callista Gingrich, the wife of former House Speaker Newt Gingrich, will likely be named U.S. ambassador to the Vatican.

♦ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Athens Farmers Market opens this afternoon at the Market Park Pavilion in Downtown Athens. The market will be open each Tuesday and Thursday from 3 to 6 p.m. All produce, food, and crafts sold at the market are produced in Tennessee.
- ✓ The Athens City Council meets tonight at 6 at the Athens Municipal Building. The public is invited to attend.
- ✓ The Athens Area Chamber of Commerce monthly "Business Before Hours" will take place this Thursday, May 18th, from 8 to 9 a.m. at Johnson's Home Furnishings, 109 Washington Avenue, in Downtown Athens.

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Sun Spot's "Living Legacy"

Frankie and Evalyn Massingale of County Road 609 near Etowah woke up last Thursday morning to find a new stud colt in their pasture. The colt was sired by their long-time stud "Sun Spot" who sired innumerable offspring. He died last year at age 23. The mother's name is "Insignias Golden Girl." Evalyn says the colt is marked very much like "Sun Spot. The new colt and the mother are pictured below. (Story by Gene Choate and photo by Evalyn Massingale)



Obituaries

- Barbara A. Reinkens, age 74, of Athens, died Monday at Sweetwater Hospital. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral Home.
- Alice Faye Melton Jaber, age 65, of Nashville (and formerly of Etowah), died in Nashville this past Saturday. Funeral services were held Monday night at Serenity Funeral Home. Family and friends will meet at the funeral home at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday and proceed to Green Hill Cemetery for the 11 a.m. burial service.
- Anna Marie Hooper Anderson, age 90, died Monday at Sweetwater Hospital. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home of Athens.

♦ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The guest on the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce weekly radio show, "Chamber Chat," today will be Tina South, executive director of the McMinn Senior Center. Hear "Chamber Chat" at 8:15 a.m. each Tuesday on WYXI Radio, FM 94.5, AM 1390 and online at: wyxi.com
- ✓ Madison Avenue will be closed to through traffic from Hill Street to Jackson Street on Wednesday, May 17th, from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. The purpose of the closure is to allow a crane to lift and place an air conditioner unit onto the courthouse annex building.



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