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## Local & Area News

### ◆ PRESIDENT TO VISIT CHATTANOOGA

President Donald Trump is scheduled to visit Chattanooga for a rally this coming Sunday. The purpose of the rally is to help Republican Marsha Blackburn in her November 6th battle with Democrat Phil Bredesen to become Tennessee's next U.S. Senator. Details of the president's visit have not yet been released. That same day, November 4th, the president will be in Macon, Georgia, where Republican Brian Kemp and Democrat Stacy Abrams are locked in a tight race to become Georgia's next governor. Trump's visits are aimed at making the difference in close races.

### ◆ UNEMPLOYMENT RATE MOSTLY DOWN

The unemployment rate went down in 70 of Tennessee's 95 counties in September. It was up slightly in 10 and unchanged in the others. The lowest unemployment rate was 2.7 percent in Williamson County. The highest rate was 6.5 percent in Lauderdale County. Here in the Athens area, the jobless rate in McMinn County was 4.2 percent in September, down slightly from 4.3 percent in August. Meigs County's unemployment rate in September was 4.5 percent, down from 4.7 percent in August. In Monroe County, the unemployment rate in September was 3.9 percent, unchanged from August. Polk County reported a jobless rate in September of 4.1 percent, down from 4.4 percent in August. Bradley County's unemployment rate in September was 3.8 percent, down from 4.0 percent in August.

## Local & National News

◆ A boy was shot dead at a North Carolina high school Monday morning after a bullying conflict "escalated out of control." One student, a 16-year-old boy in the ninth-grade, was taken into custody and charged with first-degree murder, for allegedly killing a tenth-grader.

◆ A ninth child died late Saturday night at the Wanaque Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation in Haskell, New Jersey. This latest death was a confirmed case of adenovirus, a respiratory disease with symptoms that may include a sore throat, pneumonia, diarrhea, pink eye, fever, and inflammation of the stomach and intestines.

### HERE COME THE PINK COLOR RUNERS

Starr Regional Medical Center's 2nd Annual Pink Color Run took place recently on Eureka Trail. The event supports Relay for Life and the American Cancer Society.



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## Obituaries

## October 31st Activities

♦ **Joe O. Raby**, age 82, of Ten Mile, died Sunday at his residence. He was a native of Englewood and a long-time resident of Meigs County. He retired from TVA after 30 years. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

♦ **Betty Jo Gooch**, age 79, of Decatur, died Sunday at her residence. A memorial service will be held at Bowers Funeral Home at 6 p.m. Tuesday. There will be no visitation.

♦ **Lovada Martin**, age 88, of Etowah, died Sunday at Starr Regional Health and Rehab Center. She had worked at Classic Lanes and retired from the DPA as a newspaper carrier. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 1 to 3 p.m.

♦ **Mary Hazel Shelton Reno**, age 77, of Athens, died Monday at her home. Arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.

**MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT:** U.S. stocks turned negative in the final hours of trading as declines in technology shares and worries about global trade weighed on investors. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 245 points or -1.0% to 24,443. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 17 points or -0.7% to 2,641, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 117 points or -1.6% to 7,050.

- Downtown Halloween gets underway at 5 p.m. in Downtown Athens, around the Courthouse Square, and at Market Park Pavilion. There will be games, candy, costume contests, and more. The costume contest starts at 7, co-sponsored by the Athens Parks Department and the Athens Kiwanis Club. Registration is from 6 to 6:45 p.m. There is no cost to participate. There will be three age categories: 0-5, 6-12, and 13 and up. Streets in Downtown Athens will be closed Wednesday from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- Athens First Baptist Church invites you to their Fall Festival from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. It is a family, fun-filled event featuring lots of goodies to eat, exciting booths, a huge obstacle course, inflatables, a 24-foot "rock" climbing wall, and much more. All are welcome to attend.
- The Athens Christian Church at 802 South Matlock will have a fall festival from 6 to 8 p.m., with candy, free drinks, hot dogs, and desserts. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- Voice of Deliverance Ministry will host a Hallelujah Night beginning at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome to join them for games, food, and lots of candy. The church is located at 520 Old Riceville Road in Athens.
- Jones Chapel United Methodist Church will have Trunk-or-Treat at 5:30 p.m. followed by free games and hotdogs. The church is located at 790 County Road 778. All are welcome for fun, food, and fellowship.



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