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Community News You Can Use

- ✓ The 74th Annual Athens Area Chamber of Commerce Chamber Meeting will be on Thursday, February 6th. The meeting this year will be held at The Barn At Faith Farms, located at 136 County Road 260. Tickets are \$30 per person. Call Tonya at the Chamber to reserve your spot now. 745-0334. The time of the meeting has not been announced.
- ✓ Governor Bill Lee has named over 70 appointees to a series of key boards and commissions. One person from McMinn County was named to one of the boards. He is Cary Cox, a grape/fruit producer. Cox was named to the Wine and Grape Board.
- ✓ FCE is a nation-wide network of men and women who are taking a stand to promote a healthier and better life for individuals, families, and communities. There are four Family and Community Education groups in McMinn County. Each group meets once each month. The Claxton Homemakers meet on the 2nd Tuesday at 12 noon. The Mouse Creek group meets the 2nd Thursday at 6:30 p.m. The Woodlawn group meets the 2nd Thursday at 9:30 a.m. The Heart & Home group meets the 2nd Friday at 10 a.m. Call Sarah Kite at the UT Extension Office in McMinn County for more information and the meeting places.
- ✓ The guest on "Hope from the Well" this week will be Greg Warren. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. each Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5 or [ONLINE](#)

Honors for Saving Lives

Three AUB workers received a Distinguished Service Award from the City of Athens at last week's City Council meeting. They are Dickie Slack, Abe Aziz, and Josh Finnell. They were honored for their distinguished service above and beyond the call of duty when they helped rescue three people from the roof of a burning building on S. Jackson Street on Nov. 27th. In the photo: (L-R) Athens Fire Chief Brandon Ainsworth, Slack, Detective Dillon Presswood, Aziz, Finnell, and City Manager C. Seth Sumner.
 (Photo courtesy of Athens Utilities Board)



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Merry Christmas! & Happy New Year!

We will be closed December 23 - January 1, 2020! REOPEN January 2nd REGULAR HOURS. We hope you and your family have a Merry Christmas as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, and that you and your family take a few minutes this Christmas to reflect on Jesus...the real reason for the season. Thank you for your business in 2019. We look forward to serving you in 2020, and are here to serve and help you in any way that we possibly can. We pray that God blesses and prospers you greatly in 2020.

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More Restaurant Inspection Scores

The following restaurants in Niota, Riceville, and north McMinn County were inspected during November and December. A score of 70+ is passing.

Sugar Shack, Niota - 99

2 Dudes BBQ Kitchen, Niota - 99

Silver Springs, Riceville - 99

Reagan Station Snack Bar Highway 11, Sweetwater - 100

Ice Cream Room, 121 CR 308, Sweetwater - 100

◆ TENNESSEE EMPLOYMENT LOOKS GOOD

More Tennesseans took home paychecks in November, leading to a slight drop in statewide unemployment. Data from the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development shows a 0.1 percent decrease in unemployment compared to October. The November rate was 3.3 percent. February was the month with the lowest statewide unemployment, 3.2 percent. Over the past year, nonfarm employment in Tennessee increased by 46,700 jobs. The leisure/hospitality sector created the largest number of new jobs in the state, followed by the professional/ business services and education/health services sectors. The state will release the November 2019 county unemployment rates later today.

Toys from Dynasty Spas

The employees at Dynasty Spas held a toy drive for the McMinn County Rescue Squad's annual Christmas toy give-away. Sam Natter with Dynasty Spas sent this photo showing a group of employees and Rescue Squad members around a spa filled with toys they collected. In the photo: (L-R) Jamie Stafford, Dan Brumback, Stephany Peel, Tonya Busscher, and Sam Natter with Dynasty Spas and Tonia Roberts, Eric Rowland, Glenn Moses & Terry Ferguson with the rescue squad.



The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness shall not overcome it.

- John 1:5



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