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Athens, Tennessee

STATE & LOCAL NEWS

◆ JOBLESS RATE UNDER 5% IN THE AREA

For the first time in many months, the unemployment rate decreased in all 95 Tennessee counties in April. Also, the unemployment rate was below 5% in counties in the Athens area. In McMinn County, unemployment in April was 4.3%, down from 5.7% in March. Meigs County's jobless rate was 4.7% in April, down sharply from 7.9% in March. Monroe County posted an unemployment rate of 4.0% in April, down from 4.9% in March. Polk County's jobless rate was 4.4% in April, down from 5.5% in March. Bradley County's unemployment rate dropped to 3.5% in April, down from 4.5% in March.

◆ WHAT'S WITH THE GREEN MANHOLE COVERS?

You may have noticed that manhole covers along High 30 in Athens from Park Street to Denso Drive have been painted green. AUB's Wayne Scarbrough says the state asked AUB to paint the wastewater lids green so metal rims called "risers" can be installed prior to repaving work along that stretch of Highway 30. He says stormwater manhole covers will be painted white.

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National & World News

◆ President Trump announced Thursday that The United States will withdraw from the Paris Climate Accord but begin negotiations to re-enter either the Paris Accord or an entirely new transaction on terms that are fair to the United States.

COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Chilhowee Shrine Club Rodeo will be held tonight and Saturday night at 8 p.m. at Athens Regional Park. There will be bull riding, barrel racing, mutton bustin' and more.
- ✓ The Athens Kiwanis Club's annual pancake breakfast will be Saturday, June 3rd, at Market Park Pavilion from 6 a.m. to 12 noon. Tickets are \$5. Children 6 and under eat free.
- ✓ The Summer Series at Athens Movie Palace begins next Monday, June 5th and benefits the YMCA. The movies will be shown on Mondays at 11 a.m. and Thursdays at 2 p.m. The June 5th and June 8th feature is *Home*. Tickets are a \$2 donation. The Adults only auditorium is \$4 a ticket. See their ads in The Morning Fax for future dates and show times.

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Church News and Events

~ Union McMinn Baptist Church will have Vacation Bible School June 4th-9th from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Supper will be served nightly.

~ A free "Community Harvest Share" will be held today at 2:30 p.m. at St. Paul's United Methodist Church at 8th Street and Georgia Avenue in Etowah. There will be free vegetables the first Friday of each month until the vegetable season is over.

Friday of each month until the vegetable season is over. ~ Ivan Parker will be singing this Sunday at 6 p.m. at Pope Avenue Baptist Church in Athens. Parker is a regular singer on the Gaither Homecoming Gospel Radio show.

~ Mt. Harmony Baptist Church at 130 County Road 362 will have Vacation Bible School this Sunday through June 8th from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. All ages are invited.

~ North Etowah Baptist Church will have Vacation Bible School Sunday through June 9th from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Adults begin at 7 p.m. Call 263-5531 for information.

Athens First Baptist Church will have Vacation Bible School, June 5th-9th, 9 a.m. to 12 noon for children ages 4 through 6th grade. Call the church to sign up. 745-5441.

grade. Call the church to sign up, 745-5441. ~ Jones Chapel UMC will have Vacation Bible School June 4th-8th from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The kickoff will be Sunday at 5 p.m. with food, fun, and a bouncy house.

~ Allen Memorial United Methodist Church in Athens will have Vacation Bible School June 4th-8th from 5:30-8 p.m. Call 745-1560 to register.

~ Victory Baptist Church at 2101 Highway 11 north of Niota concludes VBS tomorrow with "Summer Bound Fair Ground," with two hours of games and activities at the church.

~ Women at the Well will have the program at Lakeside Baptist Church, Highway 304, Ten Mile, this Sunday at 6 p.m.

Obituaries

- Walter Taylor of Sweetwater died Wednesday at his home. Cremation arrangements have been made by Companion Funeral Home & Cremation Service of Athens.
- Robert "Jody" Buckner, age 41, of Calhoun, died this past Sunday at his residence. He was an employee of Flowers Bakery. Graveside services were held Thursday at Mars Hill United Methodist Church Cemetery. Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah was in charge of arrangements.
- David "Dave" Thomas Clark, age 77, of Etowah died last Sunday. He was born in England. He moved to Etowah in 1994 and was a plumber. A memorial service will be held next Tuesday, June 6th, at 6:30 p.m. at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation at 6 p.m.
- Sarah Candage Keebler, age 34, of Knoxville, formerly of Athens, died Tuesday at Parkwest Medical Center. She was a caregiver for handicapped people. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Smith Funeral Home, with visitation from 10-11.
- Karen Thompson Rutledge, age 62, of Liberty, N.C., formerly of Etowah, died May 18 at her home. There will be no formal services. Announcement courtesy of Serenity Funeral Home and Cremation Center of Etowah.
- James D. Clark, age 78, of Niota, died Thursday at Starr Regional Medical Center. Arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral and Cremation Services of Athens.

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