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Thursday, June 29, 2017

Athens, Tennessee

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STATE & LOCAL NEWS

♦ FIRE DAMAGES MOBILE HOME

A fire Tuesday evening caused extensive damage to this mobile home located off Highway 39 East outside of Englewood. The Englewood and Athens Rural Fire Departments responded.

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



◆ AUB TO RAISE WASTEWATER RATES

AUB directors have approved on first reading a resolution to raise wastewater rates in steps over the next 18 months to address debt obligations tied to the construction of the Oostanaula Wastewater Treatment Plant. A final vote will be taken in July. If approved, rates will increase each six months. By February 2019 the rate will have gone up by \$1.00 per thousand gallons used.

National - World News

- ◆ On Wednesday, President Donald Trump suggested a "big surprise" is in store on the Senate Republican healthcare bill, a day after its progress stalled in the chamber.
- ◆ Transit officials say human error, not a track defect, is to blame for a subway train derailment in New York City on Tuesday morning that injured nearly three dozen people.
- ◆ An influx of great white shark sightings near Cape Cod has residents and tourists worried about potential encounters in the water, especially during the heart of summer.
- ◆ The Big Bang Theory star Johnny Galecki lost his ranch on California's Central Coast on Monday when a massive wildfire torched nearly 1,600 acres of land in the area.

♦ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

- ✓ The McMinn County Election Commission moves into its new office today. The office is located in the downstairs of the McMinn County Courthouse in the area formerly occupied by the Clerk and Masters Office.
- ✓ The UT Extension-McMinn County office will have a free canning seminar on July 12th from 10 to 11 a.m. at AgCentral Co-Op at 920 N. Congress Parkway in Athens. Topics will include using the pressure canner, perfect salsa and freezing and drying. There will be free pressure canner gauge testing from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- ✓ The rotating granite earth ball fountain at Veterans Park Plaza is currently off for pump repairs and maintenance. During this time, the ball will not be floating on water. Repairs are scheduled to be completed by July 14th.



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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

- Harry M. "Tippy" Brown, age 80, of Englewood, died Tuesday at Life Care of Athens. He was a veteran of the Army. He was a pharmacist in north Georgia and the Chattanooga area for many years. Funeral services will be at 8 p.m. Friday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 8 p.m.
- Meredith A. Womac, age 35, of Niota, died Monday at Sweetwater Hospital. She was a former employee of Lowes of Athens. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- Connie Lynn Moore, age 42, of Decatur, died Sunday. A celebration of life service will be held at 5 p.m. Thursday at Good Hope Baptist Church, with visitation from 3 to 5 p.m. Companion Funeral and Cremation Service of Athens is in charge.
- George Franklin Rogers, age 90, of Riceville, died Tuesday at his home. He was employed by Bowater Paper Mill as a truck driver and landscape gardener. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Short Creek Baptist Church, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.
- Phyllis Maybelle Day, age 81, of Charleston, died Sunday at her home. A memorial service will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday at Tinsley Park in Cleveland. Companion Funeral Home is in charge.
- **Grover Hennessee**, age 89, of Athens, died Tuesday at NHC of Athens. He was retired from Thomas & Betts. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. at Ziegler.
- Gerald (Jerry) William Carter, Sr., 96, of the Cumberland Hills Community near Englewood, died Wednesday at his home. Arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral Home.

More Obituaries

- Carroll Winston Harris, age, 77, of Chatsworth, GA and formerly of Athens, died Wednesday at Murray Medical Center in Chatsworth, GA. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.
- Samuel Neil Pillion, Sr., age 76, of Decatur, died Wednesday at his home. He served as sound man at Pisgah Baptist Church. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Bowers Funeral Home with visitation Friday from 5 to 8 p.m. at Bowers.

Learning About Alzheimer's

More than 100 people attended the #ENDALZ Lunch and Learn Seminar at the McMinn Senior Center on Tuesday. Starr Regional Medical Center sponsored the information session about Alzheimer's Disease. Starr Regional will present a check for \$2,000 to the Pat Summitt Foundation in support of their mission to help find a cure for Alzheimer's. Patrick Wade, executive director of The Pat Summitt Foundation, was the featured speaker. Terrie Ruff, a Senior Care Social Worker at Starr Regional, seated at front also spoke. (Photo Courtesy of Blake McCaslin)



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