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Friday, July 20, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

## **State & Local News**

# ♦ MCMINN CO. MAN DIES IN CYCLE WRECK Bart Rual Johnson, 60, of Etowah, was killed in a motorcycle crash Monday afternoon. It happened at 12:30 p.m. State Trooper Travis Ryans says Johnson was traveling east on County Road 660 at a high rate of speed when he ran off the left side of the road and struck a culvert. He died Tuesday UT Hospital.

♦ LOCAL POWER RATES TO HOLD STEADY
Athens Utilities Board says local electricity rates for August will be virtually unchanged compared to current July rates. The rates will actually change by a mere one one-thousandth of a penny. However, AUB spokesman Wayne Scarbrough says the 90-degree days will be showing up in utility bills as air conditioners work to keep homes and businesses cool.

#### **♦** A NOT-SO-GOOD TITLE FOR TENNESSEE

Tennessee has just beat out Louisiana for a new state title: Highest sales tax in the nation. Tennessee has a combined state and local sales tax of 9.46% according to a new report from the Tax Foundation. Louisiana has a combined rate of 9.45%. However, Tennessee does not have a state Income Tax

# Sunday, July 22, 2018 at Athens Movie Palace \$2,00 beginning at 2:15 PM

### **National & World News**

- ♦ Five people suffered minor injuries after an 86-year-old underground steam pipe exploded in the Manhattan Flatiron District in New York City Thursday morning. Dangerous asbestos-tainted debris spewed throughout the area and left a crater in a street the size of a city bus. Mayor Bill de Blasio said that the asbestos contamination is a big concern.
- ◆ Disaster was avoided after a quick-thinking bystander noticed a baby boy in the back seat of a car on a hot Florida day in Volusia County. The baby is safe and the mother has been arrested for child neglect.

#### **♦** COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The annual All-American Soap Box Derby Race takes place tomorrow in Akron, Ohio. Athens is being represented by four drivers. Athens Parks Director Austin Fesmire will provide live reports of the races and interviews with the contenders from Athens throughout the day on WYXI Radio, AM-1390 and FM 94.5.

✓ Old Millennial will headline Saturday night's Sounds of Summer at Market Park Pavilion. CJ "The Piano Man" will open. The free concert starts at 7 p.m.

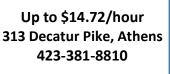
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No matter what character he chose to be, If he was loving his Air Jordan's or his Mickey, He was always driving me a little bit CRAZY! But I still love my brother

#### **Shayne Whaley,**

Because on July 22nd he will be the BIG Forty!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!





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#### **Obituaries**

• Lt. Col. Stephen Lewis Denton, MD, age 73, of Billings, Montana (and formerly from Athens), died Monday from heart and respiratory disease. He served as a doctor

and respiratory disease. He served as a doctor in the U.S. Air Force, achieving the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He lived in Athens for several years, working as an ER doctor and had a family practice in Athens. He is survived by his former wife, Linda Corley Denton, of Athens. Funeral services will be this Sunday at 3:30 p.m. at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City, with visitation from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the funeral home.



• Martha Davis of the Linsdale community in Delano died on May 22nd. A celebration is being planned for a later date. Companion Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

• Christopher Dodson, age 41, of Etowah, died Thursday. Arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.

- John Charles Moessinger, age 90, of Athens, died Thursday at his residence He was a native of Albany, N.Y. He served in the U. S. Navy and was associated with International Paper Company as an electrical engineer retiring after 35 years of service. Funeral services will be at 4 p.m. Saturday at Keith Memorial United Methodist Church with visitation from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the church prior to the service. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is in charge of arrangements.
- Bart Rual Johnson, age 60, of Etowah, died Tuesday. A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at Coghill Cemetery with visitation from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday at Bordwine Funeral Home.

## **Church News & Events**

- Boyd Memorial First Church of God will have their quarterly Gospel singing this Saturday, July 21st, at  $6\ p.m$ .
- The Greenhouse, a new contemporary worship church, will host "Family Worship Nights" for the next two Sundays at Market Park Pavilion in Downtown Athens. Normally, the Greenhouse meets Sunday mornings at McMinn County High School, but due to maintenance, the services are at the Market Park Pavilion at 7 p.m. on July 22nd and 29th and will replace the morning services.
- Conasauga Baptist Church will have a Tent Revival July 23rd-28th at 7 p.m. at 649 County Road 475, Etowah, There will be a fish fry/cookout on July 28th at 5 p.m.
- Overcoming Faith Christian Center will have its 2018 Backpack Giveaway on July 28th at 9 a.m. at Market Park Pavilion. There will also be music. Kids must be present for a backpack.
- Union-McMinn Baptist Church at 314 County Road 316 will have a Back to School Bash on Saturday, July 28th, at 4 p.m. There will be music, a meal, and a backpack and school supply giveaway.
- Allen Memorial United Methodist Church will be hosting an Alzheimer's Workshop on August 2nd. The workshop is for caregivers, family, and anyone who has a loved one in their life who suffers from Alzheimer's or other related dementias. For information, call the church at 745-1650.
- The Athens/McMinn Ministerial Association is sponsoring an All Church Family Picnic on Sunday, July 29th, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Athens Regional Park. For information, call 435-5867.



