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Tuesday, January 30, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

STATE & LOCAL NEWS

◆ THOSE HIGH UTILITY BILLS ARE HERE

Athens Utilities Board has been warning about higher electricity bills for several weeks now, ever since the New Year's cold snap hit. AUB has encouraged customers to watch their thermostats and energy consumption, because the cold weather would be creating very high use and very high bills. Now, AUB's Wayne Scarbrough says it is happening. He says in his 16 years at AUB, he's never seen so many meter readings in one billing cycle with usage so high. If you have not yet received your bill, he says it may be shocking. He says AUB customers in the Englewood and Niotra area may see the highest consumption of energy on their next bill, because those areas caught both of the month's extreme cold snaps in their latest billing cycle. He says many customers used 5,000 to 7,000 kilowatt hours compared to a normal usage of 1,500 to 2,000 kilowatt hours. The first seven days of January never got above freezing even during the day. Overnight lows were about 10 degrees each of those nights. Then another extreme cold snap hit the 14th through the 20th of the month. At AUB's weather station in January, 14 days have been below 20 with 13 of those being 12 or colder. Nine days in January had daytime highs below 32 degrees. Scarbrough says AUB and the Athens area are not alone when it comes to high use. He says utilities across the valley are experiencing an onslaught of calls about higher than normal energy bills.

National & World News

◆ At least eight House Democrats will boycott President Donald Trump's State of the Union speech tonight including Rep. Earl Blumenauer, D-Oregon, Rep. John Lewis, D-Georgia, Rep. Maxine Waters, D-California, Rep. Frederica Wilson, D-Florida, Rep. Pramila Jayapal, D-Washington, Rep. Gregory Meeks, D-New York, Rep. Jan Schakowsky, D-Illinois, and Rep. Danny Davis, D-Illinois.

◆ Oliver Crane, a New Jersey teenager, became the youngest person to row solo across the Atlantic Ocean when he arrived on the Caribbean island of Antigua early Sunday to a crowd of cheering friends and family. Crane, age 19, broke the previous record for the youngest solo crossing, set in 2010 that was held by 22-year-old Katie Spotzhe.

◆ A 5-year-old boy was found last Friday living in a filthy apartment infested with rats, roaches, maggots and deceased rodents, in the Kingsbridge section of the Bronx, New York. Both parents have been charged with child endangerment.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The guests on the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce "Chamber Chat" radio show this morning will be Shane Sewell and Chris Adams, co-chairs of the 2017 United Way of McMinn and Meigs Counties Campaign. Kay Simmons will talk to them at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI Radio, FM-94.5, AM-1390 & [ONLINE](#).

✓ Legal Aid of East Tennessee will be at the Etowah Carnegie Library this Wednesday, Jan. 31st, from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon to give free legal advice for low income parents of minor children, divorce, custody, and child support. Call 423-778-7807 for an appointment.

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Obituaries

- ♦ **John Wiley Dykes**, age 91, of Athens, died Monday at his residence. Arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Calvin D. Green**, age 93, of Athens, died Sunday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. Arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Anna Ruth Roderick**, age 90, died Friday at her daughter's home. She was an active member of Oak Grove Baptist Church, teaching numerous WMU classes, Vacation Bible Schools, and adult ladies Sunday School classes. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7p.m.
- ♦ **Eunice Margie Williams**, age 104, of Etowah, died Friday at her home. She was a native of Blue Ridge, Georgia and was raised in Ducktown. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks finished lower today on broad-based weakness. Sectors such as utilities, energy and real estate were the worst performers. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 177 points or 0.7% to 26,439. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 20 points or 0.7% to 2,853, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 39 points or 0.5% to 7,467.

Southern Orthocare Cuts Ribbon

The Athens Area Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon-cutting for a new Prosthetic & Orthotic clinic; Southern Orthocare. Those who joined the celebration are pictured: (L-R) Edward Goodman (A. Goodman Productions), Kim York (Chamber Diplomat), Pastor Danny Singleton (Clearwater Baptist Church), Ashley Guinness (Physicians Relations Manager), Rob Preston (Chamber President/CEO), Deborah Hart (Clinic Administrator), Sheryl Fehl and Tom Fehl (Certified Prosthetist Orthotist), Joe Huntsman (Owner), Miguel Maria (Edward Jones), Sam Miller (Physicians Relations Manager), Becky Wattenbarger (Chamber Board Member), Athens City Manager C. Seth Sumner, Athens City Councilman Dick Pelley, Lisa Harrison (Chamber Diplomat). (Photo by Kay Simmons)



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McMinn County Living Heritage Museum February Events and Heritage School Programs

Saturday, February 3 @ 10 AM - 4 PM

National Sew Day

Hosted by Starr Mountain Quilts of Valor
Bring lunch & supplies and enjoy a full day of sewing!

Saturday, February 10 @ 6:30 PM - 10:00 PM

Valentine's Extravaganza (tickets \$50 per person)

"Under the Tuscan Sky"

Enjoy dinner, dancing and a delightful time in Italy!

Saturday, February 17 @ 2 PM - 3 PM

Celebration of Black History by Ann Boyd

Heritage School Program

Saturday, February 24 @ 11 AM - 1 PM

Woodworking by Joe Mishtal

Heritage School Program

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