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Tuesday, August 9, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

◆ MCMINN COUNTY DETECTIVE FIRED

McMinn County Sheriff Joe Guy has fired detective Josh Rhodes, and Rhodes may face charges. Sheriff Guy says the termination was a result of several policy violations by Rhodes, including mishandling evidence and violating department ethics. The TBI says it is investigation allegations that Rhodes stole a credit card from an individual he arrested in April. Rhodes had been with the sheriff's department for one year.

◆ FIRE DESTROYS GARAGE NEXT TO HOME

The Englewood and Etowah Rural Fire Departments responded to a garage that was fully involved in flames around 11 p.m. Sunday. The garage was located beside a residence on County Road 536.



(Photo by Lynn Ingram with the Englewood Rural Fire Department)

NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

◆ Limited flights on Delta Air Lines have resumed several hours after a computer outage grounded its planes on Monday, leaving passengers stranded around the world.

◆ The 10-year-old son of a state lawmaker died Sunday in an accident on a water slide ride at the Schlitterbahn Water Park in Kansas City, Kansas. The Verruckt water slide is promoted to be the world's tallest water slide, and riders have to climb 264 stairs to get to the top, which is higher than Niagara Falls.

◆ Two professors, one American and one Australian, were abducted at gun point on Sunday at the American University of Afghanistan in Kabul.

◆ Michael Phelps won his 19th Olympic gold medal Sunday when Team USA won gold in the 4x100 Freestyle Relay along with Caeleb Dressel, Ryan Held, and Nathan Adrian. This was Phelps' 23rd overall medal (19 gold, 2 silver and 2 bronze) in the Olympic games.

◆ Walmart will acquire online seller Jet.com in a bid to compete against Amazon. The deal is expected to close at the end of the year with \$300 million of Walmart shares paid over time.

◆ WATTS BAR HITS ANOTHER MILESTONE

The Unit 2 reactor at Watts Bar Nuclear Plant has generated power successfully at 75 percent capacity. All systems and controls performed properly. Operators will soon bring the unit back on line and take the reactor to 100 percent of its generating capacity for the first time. Once the unit has operated at full power for 20 consecutive days, it will be declared "commercial."

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WEATHER FORECAST
Tuesday - Cloudy. 30% rain & t'storms. High - upper 80's.
Tuesday night - Partly cloudy. Lows - lower 70's.
Wednesday - Partly cloudy. 40% rain & t'storms. High - upper 80's. More weather at: www.wyxi.com

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Kelle Jolly & Will Boyd Entertain

The headliners at this past Saturday's Sounds of Summer concert at Market Park in Downtown Athens were Kelle Jolly and Will Boyd. The concert was sponsored by Jim Bob Contracting. The photo below of Kelle was taken by Denna Bea Raper.



Obituaries

- **Danny Frank Nunley**, age 69, of Niota, died last Friday at his residence. He was retired from Collins-Aikman. Funeral services were held Monday night at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.
- **Floyd Newman**, age 86, of Delano, died Sunday. He retired from Duracell after 25+ years as a maintenance mechanic. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Serenity Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Serenity.
- **Lou Ella DeWitt**, age 89, of Athens, died last Friday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. She was employed by the former Epperson and Foree Hospitals as well as various other hospitals and nursing homes in the area. Graveside services were held Monday. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home of Athens was in charge.

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks retreated slightly lower despite a rise in oil prices. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 14.24 at 18,529.29. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 1.98 at 2,180.89, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 7.98 at 5,213.14

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The McMinn County School Board holds its regular monthly meeting this Thursday, August 11th, at 5:30 p.m. at the McMinn County Center for Educational Excellence, #3 S. Hill Street, Athens. The public is invited to attend.
- ✓ The Tennessee Highway Patrol will conduct a Safety Belt Checkpoint today at the I-75 south exit 52 ramp.

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TODAY IN HISTORY, AUGUST 9

1854 - Henry David Thoreau published "Walden," which described his experiences living near Walden Pond in Massachusetts.

1945 - The United States exploded a nuclear device over Nagasaki, Japan, instantly killing an estimated 39,000 people. The bombing came three days after Hiroshima was bombed.

1963 - Singer Whitney Houston was born. Her biggest hit records include "The Greatest Love Of All" and "I Will Always Love You."

1969 - Actress Sharon Tate and four other people were found murdered in Los Angeles. Cult leader Charles Manson and a group of his followers were later convicted of the crime.

1974 - President Richard Nixon's resignation became effective at noon, and Vice President Gerald Ford was sworn in as the nation's 38th President.