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Today's News...This Morning

(Feel free to copy, post or otherwise distribute) (Phone: 746-1390 Fax: 744-1390 e-mail: wyxi@bellsouth.net) WEATHER FORECAST

Tuesday: Partly sunny. 20% rain chance. High 84. Tue Night: Mostly cloudy. 30% rain chance. Low 67. Wednesday: Cloudy. 70% rain chance. High near 80. Wed. Night: 80% rain & t'storms. Low 67. Thursday: Cloudy. 80% rain until 2 p.m. High 73. More Weather at: <u>wyxi.com</u>

Athens, Tennessee

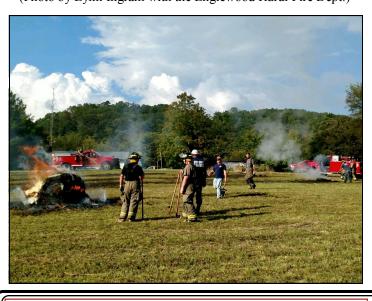
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State & Local News

♦ HAY AND FIELD FIRE ON HIGHWAY 310

The Etowah and Englewood Rural Fire Departments responded to hay bales and a field on fire on Highway 310 near Englewood around 4:30 p.m. Sunday.

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



National & World News

- ◆ President Trump held a formal swearing-in ceremony for Brett Kavanaugh at the White House on Monday evening. Former Justice Anthony Kennedy, administered the judicial oath for a second time. In his remarks, Kavanaugh said that he held "no bitterness" over the brutal Senate confirmation fight. "The Supreme Court is an institution of law. It is not a partisan or political institution. The justices do not sit on opposite sides of an aisle. We do not caucus in separate rooms," Kavanaugh said. "The Supreme Court is a team of nine, and I will always be a team player on the team of nine.
- ◆ Pop superstar Taylor Swift has issued a political endorsement declaring her support for Democratic Senate candidate and former Tennessee Governor Phil Bredesen over his Republican rival Congressman Marsha Blackburn. Some of Swift's most loyal fans are disappointed with her choice saying she "picked the wrong side" and that she should "stay out of politics and just sing" while other fans praised her endorsement and encouraged people to get
- . Twenty people, including the driver, died in a limousine crash Saturday afternoon in Schoharie, New York. The accident is under investigation and the state is seeking a cease-and-desist order to stop the limo company, Prestige Limousine, from operating until the investigation is concluded.

COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE: Property tax notices for the City of Athens were mailed last Friday. If you do not receive your notice by October 12th you should call the City Finance Department at 744-2720. You may pay your taxes at the Municipal Building Monday-Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. All property taxes are due by February 28th, 2019

RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT



Western Sizzlin' Steak House-1804 Decatur Pike All Day: Chicken Tips & Chicken Philly + Side-Bakery-Dessert-Rolls-\$6.99 each.



Famous Chicken 'n Biscuits

Senior Buffet: (Ages 55+) Monday-Friday from 2-4 p.m. ~ \$6.79.

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TODAY IN HISTORY—OCTOBER 9th

1855 - The sewing machine motor was patented by Isaac Singer (the Singer sewing machine guy) of New York.

1872 - The first mail order catalog was delivered. It was only one page but it worked. It was sent out by Mr. Aaron Montgomery Ward of the famous Montgomery Ward catalog and department

1899 - Civil War historian Bruce Catton was born. He wrote a three-volume history of the Army of the Potomac, including "A Stillness at Appomattox."

1940 - John Lennon was born. He was one of the Beatles. Lennon was shot to death outside his New York City apartment building in 1980.

◆ NEW ATHENS SPLASHPAD UPDATE

Construction on the new Splashpad at the Athens Regional Park is

underway. Crews worked this past weekend to further the project. The large green boom in the center of the photo is used to disperse concrete. Several tons of concrete were spread on the new Splashpad Monday. Construction is expected to take several more weeks. Photo courtesy of Ath-



ens City Manager C. Seth Sumner.

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Obituaries

- **Kenneth Edward Blankenship,** age 60, of Cleveland, died Saturday in a Chattanooga healthcare facility. He was a self-taught furniture builder. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Ralph Buckner Funeral Home in Cleveland, with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home.
- Gary Wayne Cooper, age 66, of Athens, died Monday at his home. He was retired from TDOT and was a veteran of the U.S. Navy. The family is planning a memorial service at a later time. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.
- Ann Goins, age 66, of Athens, died Monday at Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Ziegler Funeral Home.

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks were mixed amid a sell-off in international markets. The consumer staples sector was the top performer, while the technology sector was the worst performer. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 40 points or 0.2% to 26,487. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 1 point to 2,884, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 52 points or 0.7% to 7,736.

Museum Remembers Battle of Athens

The Battle of Athens is the most historically significant event in the history of McMinn County. The Battle of Athens Exhibit opens this Saturday at the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum. There will be an opening reception and program featuring C. Stephen Byrum and Paul Willson at 2:30 p.m. The exhibit features photographs and information about the battle that took place on August 1st, 1946, when returning veterans of World War II became frustrated with the political voting system, surrounded the McMinn County Jail, fired on the Sheriff and his deputies, and by the next morning had taken over the county's government. The event quickly faded away, but resulted in a new form of county government for McMinn County and much of the southeast.





