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Athens, Tennessee

Englewood Officer Arrested

Matthew Williams, 25, was arrested last week and charged with reckless endangerment as a result of a domestic incident in which he allegedly shook his 2 ½ month old infant daughter. Sheriff Joe Guy said that Williams had become upset and had shaken the child in front of his wife, who took the child to a hospital for treatment. Williams was taken into custody and was later released on a \$2000 bond. He was also ordered to stay away from his daughter and his wife. Williams was placed on unpaid leave. He has a court date of July 9th. (McMinn Jail photo)



◆ **MEIGS COUNTY SHOOTING INVESTIGATED**
A shooting last Thursday is being investigated by the TBI and the Meigs County Sheriff's Department. Officers responded to a call on Howard Road where they found James Bowers, Jr. with a gunshot wound. Investigators believe that a dispute with the victim and his father, James Bowers, Sr., resulted in the father allegedly shooting his son. James Bowers, Jr. was taken to the hospital and is expected to recover from his injuries.

Community News You Can Use

- ✓ MEDIC Regional Blood Center has seen an increase in demand for blood products and is currently experiencing a critical need. MEDIC Regional Blood Center is now at the critical level for: O Positive, O Negative, A Positive, and A Negative. MEDIC continues to follow social distancing guidelines and will continue wellness checks upon entry at all locations and drives. Donors are strongly encouraged to make appointments to donate. Additionally, they are encouraged to wear their own mask when onsite. You can contact the Athens location by calling 453-5846. Their hours are 8:30 a.m. Tuesday thru Friday.
- ✓ The McMinn County Board of Education will meet in called session on Tuesday, June 30, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. at the McMinn County Center for Educational Excellence. On the agenda is the end of year budget amendments and McMinn County Schools 2020/21 school calendar revision.
- ✓ Sheriff Joe Guy and Athens Police Chief Cliff Couch will be holding another conversation about improving police relations in the community. The event will be held at 6:00 p.m. this evening at Cook Park on Cook Drive, near the hospital. The public is invited to attend.

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COVID-19 Virus Update

As of Sunday, Tennessee has had 39,838 cases of COVID-19, with 26,159 recoveries and 584 deaths. McMinn County reports 203 cases with 148 recoveries and 17 deaths. Rhea County shows 262 cases, with 237 recoveries. Meigs County reports 32 cases, with 26 recoveries. Monroe County's total is 118 with 90 recoveries and 4 deaths. Bradley County has 444 cases, 310 recoveries, and 3 death. Polk County reports 38 cases with 29 recoveries.

Obituaries

- ♦ **Patricia Ann "Patsy" Cox Rogers**, of Athens, died Friday at McMinn Memorial Nursing Home. In 1983, she received the "Athens Mother of the Year Award." A Celebration of Life Service will be announced at a later date by the family. Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.
- ♦ **William Elisha "Eli" Andrus**, age 38, of Riceville, died Monday, June 22nd, at Fort Sanders Medical Center in Knoxville. A celebration of life memorial will be Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Companion Funeral Home of Athens with visitation beginning at 5 p.m.
- ♦ **Harold L. Allen, "Deer Man"**, age 74, of Niota, died last Friday at his home. He was a US Army veteran serving in the Vietnam war. Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Companion Funeral Home of Athens with visitation beginning at 12 noon.

LISTENING REMINDER: The guest on the Main Street Athens radio show, "Main Street Moments," this week will be Bradi Sewell, the Director of the McMinn-Meigs YMCA. You can hear the program each Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI Radio, FM 94.5 and AM 1390 or online at wyxi.com

FRIDAY'S MARKET REPORT: The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 730 points or 2.8% to 25,015. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 75 points or 2.4% to 3,009, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 260 points or 2.6% to 9,757.

TODAY IN HISTORY - JUNE 29th

- 1853** - The U.S. Senate ratified the \$10-million Gadsden Purchase from Mexico, which added more than 29,000 square miles to the territories of Arizona and New Mexico.
- 1861** - William Mayo, founder of the world-famous Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, was born.
- 1932** - The second daytime serial to be heard on network radio was "Vic and Sade" which debuted on the NBC Blue radio network this day. You can still hear re-runs from time to time on "When Radio Was," week-day evenings from 6:05 to 7 p.m. on WYXI Radio, FM 94.5 or AM-1390.
- 1955** - Bill Haley and The Comets reached the top of the pop music charts with "Rock Around the Clock". The smash hit stayed there for eight straight weeks. The song was featured in the film "Blackboard Jungle". Most consider the hit song the first rock 'n' roll single.
- 2007** - The Apple iPhone went on sale for \$499 for the 4 GB model and \$599 for the 8 GB model. Both required a 2 year contract.

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