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Today's News...This Morning

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North McMinn Fire & Rescue members invite everyone to a **Community Open House** **March 28th 12noon-4pm**  
**199 Co. Rd. 285**

Meet & Greet department members & enjoy home made chili, drinks & dessert!  
Come out & support your local fire department!

Athens, Tennessee

Thursday, March 26, 2015

## State & Local News

### ◆ MOTHER OF THREE DIES IN HOUSE FIRE

A house fire early Wednesday claimed the life of a McMinn County woman who was the mother of two boys and a girl. The fire erupted before daybreak at a home on County Road 561 near the McMinn County Airport. A male occupant of the house called 911 to report the fire, saying a woman was trapped in a bedroom. Firefighters from the Etowah and Englewood Rural Fire Departments responded, but the flames and smoke were too intense for them to rescue her. They put the fire out quickly and found the mother's body in the bedroom. The man said he was up with his small child who was teething, when he smelled smoke. He and the three children, all under the age of 10, managed to get out safely. The fire was confined to the bedroom. The victim was identified as 29 year-old Michelle Guffey. (Photo by Jay Thomson)



## NATIONAL & WORLD NEWS

◆ Two of the Americans on board the Germanwings flight that crashed in the French Alps on Tuesday have been identified as Yvonne Selke and her daughter Emily Selke, who recently graduated from Drexel University.

◆ After a spike of HIV cases in southern Indiana, the governor will declare a "public health disaster emergency." There are 71 confirmed and seven preliminary positive cases of HIV. According to the Indiana Health Department, this outbreak has been fueled by intravenous drug use.

### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The Athens Animal Shelter announces a temporary change in the Shelter operating hours. Effective today, March 26, the Animal Shelter will be closed to the public on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and there will be no intakes or adoptions performed. The Animal Shelter will be open to the public from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The Saturday hours will be from 12 noon until 4 p.m. The reason for the change in hours is a shortage of employees.

✓ The Heritage School at the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum this Saturday will be a presentation about clogging. The program starts at 1 p.m.



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Member, \$35; Non-Member \$70  
SGT program includes calorie blasting, weight dropping, strength building, BMI measurements bi-weekly, nutrition guidance, agility training & SMR/ flexibility introductions & fun!

### RESTAURANT SPOTLIGHT

**Bojangles** MARCH Specials >>> 2 Chicken Biscuits, \$5.25  
◆ Chicken Biscuit Combo, \$4.29 ◆ 8 piece Tailgate, \$19.99 ◆ Small Coffee, 99¢  
Famous Chicken 'n Biscuits **BOJANGLES South Congress Parkway 744-5292**

**WESTERN SIZZLIN'** Steak House-1804 Decatur Pike  
THU (All Day): 8 oz. Sizzlin' Top Sirloin w/choice of Side and Saldad Bar, \$10.99. STEAK OF THE WEEK: (All Day) 9 oz. Thick Top Sirloin, side, dessert, rolls \$8.99.

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## Morning Fax™

**McMINN SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER**  
**ANNUAL SPRING BAZAAR**  
Sat - Mar 28th 9am-4pm  
Baked Goods ♦ Easter Baskets  
Spring Crafts ♦ Home Decor  
Snack Bar Open: Biscuits,  
Sausage, Gravy, Pastries, Hot  
Dogs, Soup, Chips, Dessert,  
Coffee, Soda, Water  
205 McMinn Avenue - Athens  
423-745-6830

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Athens, Tennessee

### Meet Your New Forester

Gina Sowders (pictured below) is the new Tennessee Division of Forestry Area Forester for McMinn, Meigs, Polk, and Bradley Counties. She recently took over the position that was vacated by Robert Rhinehart when he retired 1½ years ago. The office also has a new location. It is now located in Delano at the East TN State Nursery along Highway 411 and the Hiwassee River south of Etowah. The phone number has also changed. The new number is 423-263-2332. Gina invites you to call her if you have questions related to forestry, burning, tree insect and disease, or land management. All services are free with the exception of prescribed fires which can be done for a nominal fee.



### Obituaries



**Rev. Pervice Hardaway**, age 56, of Athens died last Sunday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. He was the physical education coach at Riceville Elementary School and was pastor of the Agape Center A.O.H. Church. A Celebration of Life Musical service will be held this Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Greater Deliverance Ministries on Clearwater Road. M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

**WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT:** U.S. stocks retreated, driving the Nasdaq Composite Index down the most since January amid a selloff in semiconductor companies. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 292.60 at 17,718.54. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 30.45 at 2,061.05, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 118.21 at 4,876.52.

#### WEATHER

**Thursday** - 80% rain. Highs in the lower to mid 70's.  
**Thursday night** - Colder. 80% rain. Lows around 40.  
**Friday** - Mostly cloudy. 20% rain. Highs in the lower to mid 50's  
More Weather & Zoom Radar at: [www.wxyi.com](http://www.wxyi.com)

McMinn Anti-Drug Coalition Aiding Teens offers 5 ways to help reduce the chance that your children will drink or use drugs:

1. Be a good role model when it comes to alcohol, Rx meds and stress.
2. Know your child!
3. Know your child's friends.
4. Set & supervise boundaries.
5. Talk with your child.

**MADCAT can help with that last one. Ask for our alcohol &/or marijuana information sheets. [madcatcoalition@yahoo.com](mailto:madcatcoalition@yahoo.com)**

Working in conjunction with the TN Dept. of Substance Abuse

### TODAY IN HISTORY - MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup>

- 1874** - American poet Robert Frost was born. He won four Pulitzer Prizes for his poetry. One of his best-known poems is "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening".
- 1880** - Restaurant evaluator Duncan Hines was born. He wrote the popular book, "Adventures in Good Eating".
- 1944** - Singer Diana Ross was born.
- 1968** - Country superstar Kenny Chesney was born.
- 1979** - Israel and Egypt signed a peace treaty, ending 30 years of hostilities.
- 1999** - Dr. Jack Kevorkian was convicted of second-degree murder for giving a lethal injection to an ailing man whose death was shown on "60 Minutes".
- 2000** - Vladimir Putin was elected president of Russia.
- 2011** - Former Democratic vice presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro, the first female major party nominee for the office, died at age 75.