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Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

◆ MCSO & NG CONDUCT SHOOTER DRILLS

The McMinn County Sheriff's Office partnered with the 117th Military Police Battalion in a series of active shooter response drills at the National Guard Armory near Athens Sunday afternoon. Sheriff Joe Guy says this type of exercise is important for his officers to be able to respond to a possible incident at the local National Guard armory. Sheriff Guy and SFC Rick Mullins of the 117th worked together to coordinate the exercise. Sheriff Guy says the terrorist attack on two military facilities in Chattanooga last July have caused his office to work closer with the soldiers at the local National Guard Armory. He says the drills tested the Sheriff's office and Guard unit's response plans in a real-life, but safe, atmosphere.

(Photo by Sheriff Joe Guy)



NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

◆ President Obama honored 13 police officers with the Medal of Valor, the nation's highest honor for law enforcement, in a White House ceremony on Monday.

◆ Former GOP presidential candidate John Kasich said he would not run as a third-party candidate stating that such a path would not be "constructive" or "appropriate."

◆ Royal Caribbean International announced that the world's largest cruise ship, Harmony of the Seas, sets sail from Barcelona, Spain, on June 7. It is taller than the Eiffel Tower, has more than 2,700 staterooms over 16 stories, will occupy more than 5,400 guests, has a staff of 2,100, and features the "tallest slide at sea," plunging thrill-seekers 100-feet down 10 stories. It has many other water attractions, including swimming pools, whirlpools and a water park.

◆ ATHENS RECEIVES ENVIRONMENT AWARD

The City of Athens has received a 2016 Sustainable Transportation Award from the Tennessee Departments of Environment and Transportation. The award recognizes the Athens Green Ways Initiative. The award states that since starting the Green Ways Initiative in 2013, there has been a 2% increase in sidewalks and walkways annually. Several of the walkways are surfaced with pervious pavers, beneath which are detention ponds. In addition, the award says the city has added nine miles of new multi-use trails open to walkers, horseback riders, and bikers. In addition, Athens is in the process of developing a mobile-friendly trail map program. Finally, the city was recognized for its Liquid Road paving method which is more environmentally friendly than traditional methods. The city treated eight miles of road last year.

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WEATHER FORECAST
Tuesday - Mostly cloudy. 50% rain. Highs upper 70's to lower 80's.
Tuesday night - Mostly cloudy. 30% rain. Lows upper 50's to lower 60's.
Wednesday - Mostly cloudy. 40% rain. Highs in the mid to upper 70's.
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Athens, Tennessee

APRIL HOME PROPERTY SALES

Between April 1st 2016 and May 1st 2016 there were 41 sales of single family homes in McMinn County. We listed some of the sales in Monday's Morning Fax. Here are the rest of them:

209 Athens Pike	Etowah	\$12,000
600 County Road 571	Englewood	\$13,500
388 County Road 53	Athens	\$19,500
700 8th Street	Etowah	\$23,000
2013 County Road 750	Calhoun	\$26,500
106 Pennsylvania Ave	Etowah	\$29,900
114 Old Englewood Rd	Englewood	\$32,000
232 County Road 112	Athens	\$38,094
1413 Hwy 163	Calhoun	\$43,000
109 County Road 456	Athens	\$62,021
508 Lynman Street	Athens	\$64,500
411 Park Street	Athens	\$68,000
1428 Co Rd 700	Athens	\$68,000
576 County Road 804	Etowah	\$73,000
1006 Old Federal Rd	Etowah	\$74,500
416 Maple Street	Athens	\$75,000
410 Thacker Lane	Etowah	\$77,000
305 Kilgore St	Athens	\$82,000
1046 County Road 264	Niota	\$83,500
150 County Road 600	Athens	\$87,670
125 Keith Lane	Athens	\$105,000
712 Cartwright	Athens	\$115,000

(Data Provided By Tennessee Valley Appraisal Services)

Obituaries

- **Kathy Powers**, age 59, of Athens, died Sunday at her residence. Funeral services will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday evening.
- **Avery Dale Myers**, age 81, of Niota, died last Friday at The Bridge at Monteagle nursing facility. He was a retired carpenter and served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from noon to 1 p.m.
- **The Rev. Elihue Looney**, age 98, of Athens, died Sunday. Funeral arrangements will be announced by M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home.
- **Teresa Kay Duncan**, age 55, of Clarkton, Mo., died Sunday at her home. A graveside service will be Thursday at 2:30 p.m. at Cedar Grove Cemetery with visitation from 1 to 2 p.m. at Serenity Funeral Home.

◆ BURKETT WITT IS TURNING 90!

One of Athens' best-known residents, Burkett Witt, will be celebrating his 90th birthday on May 26th. His family invites you to join them in celebrating on Saturday, June 4th, from 2 to 6 p.m. at the McMinn County Living Heritage Museum. If you plan to attend, please call Gwen McCowan at 745-0185. Burkett is a renowned barbecue cook, restaurant owner, City Council member, and former mayor of Athens.

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TODAY IN HISTORY - MAY 17th

- 1792** - The New York Stock Exchange was founded by brokers meeting under a tree on what is now Wall Street.
- 1946** - President Harry S Truman seized control of the nation's railroads, delaying a threatened strike by engineers and trainmen.
- 1954** - The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that racial segregation in public schools was unconstitutional.
- 1973** - The Senate Watergate Committee opened hearings into the break-in at Democratic National Headquarters in the Watergate Building in Washington.
- 1987** - Thirty-seven American sailors were killed when an Iraqi missile struck the USS Stark in the Persian Gulf. Iraq said its warplane fired the missile by mistake.
- 1992** - Orchestra leader Lawrence Welk died at age 89.
- 1998** - New York Yankees pitcher David Wells became the 13th player in modern major league baseball history to throw a perfect game in a 4-0 victory over the Minnesota Twins.