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Wednesday, August 10, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

State & Local News

◆ KIDS FALL FROM FERRIS WHEEL

Authorities in Greeneville say one of the three girls who fell from a Ferris Wheel at the Greene County Fair Monday night suffered a head injury and is in ICU. The girls fell out of one of the baskets when it flipped over. They fell 35 to 40 feet. All three victims were children, ages 16 and under. An investigation into the cause of the accident is under way.

◆ TENNESSEE IS A "LEAST" PEACEFUL STATE

A new ranking of the "least peaceful" states in the nation has Tennessee listed in third place. The list was compiled by an online aggregator: 247wallst.com Those states with high violent crime and homicide rates, as well as high small arms ownership and high incarceration rates, were identified as less peaceful. The report says the rate of violent crimes in Tennessee is 608 per 100,000 people. The murder rate is 5.7% per 100,000. The unemployment rate is 4.1% (June 2016), and the median household income is \$44,361. The high level of violence in Tennessee is driven by a nation-leading aggravated assault rate of 453 incidents per 100,000 residents. Tennessee has 408 law enforcement workers for every 100,000 residents, the second highest level of any state.



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NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

◆ Evan McMullin, a former CIA operative, may have missed the ballot deadline submission in more than half of the country, but still believes it's worth running for president against Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton. McMullin has criticized his opponents as "woefully unfit."

◆ Seddique Mir Mateen, the father of the man blamed for the Orlando, Florida nightclub massacre, attended Hillary Clinton's campaign rally in Kissimmee, Florida on Monday. He sat in the crowd behind Clinton on stage.

◆ The United Nations has urgently called for a cease-fire in Aleppo, Syria in order to provide much-needed humanitarian assistance to the more than two million civilians who were left without electricity or access to water, following a series of attacks on civilian infrastructure.

◆ In his first public appearance since checking into a Colorado federal prison in 2012, former Illinois Democratic Governor Rod Blagojevich appeared via a video link before a federal court Tuesday, nearly eight years after being arrested on corruption charges.

◆ The American women's gymnastics team won the gold medal for the team all-around final in the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro by a large margin. They beat Russia, who took silver, by more than eight points.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The 1st Annual Riceville Fire Department Rodeo will be held this Friday and Saturday night at 8 under the covered arena at the Athens Regional Park. The rodeo will feature bull riding, barrel racing, and music by The Lackey Family.



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Tea Party at the Library

The Etowah Carnegie Library recently held its annual Tea Party in the Portico Room at the L & N Depot. This year's theme was Alice in Wonderland. The children enjoyed the reading of "Alice in Wonderland," a photo booth, refreshments, and making their own Mad Hatter hats as a craft. The photos below show Cyanna Valentine making a Mad Hatter Hat and Abby Cole dressed as Alice.

(Photos by Lara Crockett, library director)



Tuesday's Market Report

U.S. stocks finished relatively flat as weak oil prices offset gains in the health care and technology sectors.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 3.76 at 18,533.05. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 0.85 at 2,181.74, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 12.34 at 5,225.48.

In commodity markets, the spot price of gold rose \$4.73 to \$1,340.06. The spot price of silver rose \$0.11 to \$19.85, and crude oil prices fell \$0.26 to \$42.76.

◆ ETOWAH FALL ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL

The Etowah Area Chamber of Commerce announces the Etowah Arts & Crafts Fall Festival will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 1-2. The festival will be held at the historic L & N Depot Park. Food and craft vendors may receive an application by calling the Chamber office at 263-2228. The festival is the same weekend as the 411 Yard Sale. The photo shows shoppers at last year's Fall Arts Show.



(Photo by Durant Tullock)

Athens City Schools System-Wide Family Engagement and Family Resource Announces:

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Date: Thursday, August 18th
Time: 12 p.m.-1 p.m.
Location: Administration Building
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State Rep. John Forgety invites you to Sounds of Summer free concert this Saturday, Aug. 13 @ 7 PM at Market Park in Downtown Athens. Headliner is "Calling Glory". Opening Act is Nicole "Coley" Jones.

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