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Tuesday, August 30, 2016

Athens, Tennessee

Local & State News

◆ ELECTRICITY BILLS TO GO UP IN OCT.

Our electricity bills will be going up this fall. TVA has approved a 1 ½ percent increase in its base rate for electricity beginning in October. That will translate into about a \$2 per month increase in utility bills for the average residential customer.

◆ WOMAN KILLED LOOKING AT SNAKE

A Georgia woman died when she was hit by a car on the Foot-hills Parkway in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park over the weekend. Park Rangers say 64-year-old Shirley Clifton had gotten out of her vehicle to look at a snake that was lying on the road when a car struck and killed her.

◆ NATIONALLY KNOWN PASTOR DIES

Dr. Wayne Barber of Chattanooga died unexpectedly on Monday. He was the senior pastor of the Woodland Park Baptist Church, one of the largest churches in Chattanooga. He was 73.

◆ BRISTOL SPEEDWAY GETTING READY

Final touches are being made to the Bristol Motor Speedway to transform it into a football stadium for possibly the largest ever attended college football game. The University of Tennessee will play against Virginia Tech on Saturday, September 10th at 8 p.m. at that location. It will be televised on ABC. The speedway normally holds over 165,000 spectators. Meanwhile, Tennessee's season opener will be this Thursday night at 7:30 against Appalachian State at Neyland Stadium in Knoxville. Tennessee moved the game to Thursday which will be televised on SECN.

NATIONAL-WORLD NEWS

◆ The Federal Aviation Administration introduced new rules for commercial drone use on Monday. Businesses no longer need to be granted special permission from regulators on a case-by-case basis. More than 600,000 commercial drones will be registered and operating in the U.S in the next year according to FAA estimates.

◆ Two suspects, 26-year-old Darwin Sorrells Jr. and 22-year-old Derren Sorrells, have been arrested for the murder of Nykea Aldridge, on Chicago's south side. Aldridge was a cousin of NBA star Dwyane Wade. Both suspects are convicted felons who served time in prison. One of the men was wearing an ankle monitor at the time of the shooting and both men are "documented gang members."

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The McMinn County 4-H Club's Chick Chain Show and Sale will be held on Thursday, September 8th, at the Show Barn, Highway 30, behind the armory. The show will be at 5 p.m. and the sale starts at 6 p.m. 4-H Club members will be selling locally grown chickens such as: Rhode Island Reds, Black Sex Link, and Red Sex Link. Some are already laying.

✓ The Athens Public Works Department announces some changes at the Recycle Center. The center is now combining the plastics in #1 and #2 and tin cans. The glass bin will be for GLASS ONLY. The containers are labeled with instructions. The Recycle Center DOES accept electronics, such as computers, vacuum cleaners, microwaves, stoves, washers, and dryers, virtually anything that can be plugged into an outlet. TV's larger than 26 inches are not accepted.



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WEATHER FORECAST

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High 93.

Tuesday night - Clear.

Low 67.

Wednesday - Sunny. 20%
rain. High 93.

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The Curtain Falls on Sounds of Summer

This year's Sounds of Summer concert series came to an end last Saturday evening with music by Mending Wall. Shown below are band members Joseph Gordon, John Knox and John Gordon.



The opening act was Brittanny McLamb, shown to the right.

(Photos by Cheri Harrison)



Obituaries

- **John Russell "J.R." Key**, age 85, of Athens, died last Friday. A Celebration of Life and Homegoing will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday at Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah, with visitation from 5 to 8 p.m.
- **Pamela Gail Crawford Siler**, age 63, of Decatur, died Sunday at her residence. Graveside services will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday at Mountain View Memorial Gardens, with visitation from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Ziegler Funeral Home.
- **Louis T. Williams**, age 65, of Athens, died Sunday at his home. Arrangements will be announced by Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks finished higher, snapping a three-day losing streak, after Federal Reserve comments strengthened the likelihood of an interest rate hike.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 107.59 at 18,502.99. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 11.34 at 2,180.38, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 13.41 at 5,232.33.

Commodity markets: The spot price of gold rose \$1.60 to \$1,322.82. The spot price of silver rose \$0.19 to \$18.85, and crude oil prices fell \$0.65 to \$46.98 per barrel.

In bond markets, the 30-year Treasury yield closed at 2.21%, and the 10-year Treasury yield finished at 1.56%.

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TODAY IN HISTORY-AUGUST 30

- 1862** - Union forces were defeated by the Confederates at the Second Battle of Bull Run in Manassas, Va..
- 1780** - American General Benedict Arnold betrayed his nation when he agreed to surrender the fort at West Point in New York to the British army. His plans were discovered and he fled to New York City where he joined the British army. He became known as America's most famous traitor.
- 1905** - Baseball Hall of Famer Ty Cobb made his major league debut with the Detroit Tigers.
- 1941** - Nazi forces began a siege of Leningrad during World War II that lasted nearly two and a half years.
- 1945** - Gen. Douglas MacArthur arrived in Japan and set up Allied occupation headquarters.
- 1967** - The Senate confirmed the appointment of Thurgood Marshall as the first African-American justice on the Supreme Court.
- 1989** - A federal jury in New York found "hotel queen" Leona Helmsley guilty of income tax evasion but acquitted her of extortion.