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STATE & LOCAL NEWS

♦ BRADLEY OFFICIALS CRITICIZE WACKER

The Chattanooga Times Free Press says Bradley County officials believe the Wacker chemical plant is withholding information from the public about recent incidents involving chemicals at the plant. The paper quotes Bradley County Fire and Rescue Chief Shawn Fairbanks as saying the public perception of Wacker could be healed if Wacker would come forward and honestly talk to the public. There are other chemical companies in the Charleston area, and Chief Fairbanks says authorities have a good working relationship with them. He says it's gotten to the point where Wacker isn't even calling him to let him know if they're having incidents. A group of protestors went to the Wacker plant last Friday morning to express their concerns about safety issues.

◆ PLAYING DISC GOLF AT ATHENS REGIONAL

A Disc Golf tournament was held Sunday to mark the Disc Golf

course completion at the Athens Regional Park. About 90 golfers participated. The photo shows how they play golf without clubs and balls.

(Photo by Angela Leitzel)



National & World News

- ♦ On Monday, President Donald Trump made his debut at the United Nations General Assembly calling for reforms to the decades-old intergovernmental organization that promotes international cooperation. Trump makes his first full remarks to the U.N. General Assembly on Tuesday.
- ◆ The Phi Delta Theta fraternity has shuttered its Louisiana State University chapter "effective immediately" after a freshman pledge died last week from a potential hazing incident. The university president stated that allegations involve alcohol and hazing but stressed that the investigation is evolving.
- ◆ Two buses collided at one of the most densely packed intersections in Queens, New York, Monday morning resulting in the deaths of three people.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The 2017 United Way Fall Ball Tennis Tournament will be held September 23-24 at The Bowling/Coe Tennis Complex at Tennessee Wesleyan University. The cost is \$25 per player. The entry deadline is Wednesday, Sept. 20th. You can come by the United Way office at 313 Maple Street, Athens, to register.
- ✓ The Athens City Council's monthly meeting will be held this evening at 6 at the Municipal Building. The public is invited to attend.

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McMinn County Home Sales

Tennessee Valley Appraisal Services reports there were 52 sales of single family homes in McMinn County in August. A sampling of the sales is listed below:

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County Rd 7892, Etowah -	\$350,000
County Rd 660, Athens -	\$342,000
County Rd 422, Athens -	\$334,000
Shadows Lawn Drive, Athens -	\$267,000
Sequoia Drive, Athens -	\$260,000
Woodward Ave., Athens -	\$259,750
Willow Springs Dr., Athens -	\$237,500
Housley Drive, Athens -	\$235,000
County Rd 327, Niota -	\$230,000
Highway 39 W, Athens -	\$207,500
Fairview Road, Athens -	\$205,000
East Madison Ave., Athens -	\$185,900
County Rd 147, Riceville -	\$185,900
County Rd 550, Englewood -	\$180,000
Mt. Harmony Rd., Niota -	\$179,900
County Rd 4, Calhoun -	\$179,500
Matlock Ave., Athens -	\$179,000
County Rd 325, Sweetwater -	\$165,000
County Rd 452, Athens -	\$164,000
Pond Hill Rd, Niota -	\$164,000
W. Farrell St., Niota -	\$163,000
County Rd 709, Athens -	\$153,000
Elliott St., Athens -	\$149,000

Obituaries

• **Jack Barnett,** age 94, of Etowah, died Monday at his residence. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah.

MONDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks continued to rise reaching record highs, following a 1.6% gain for the S&P 500 last week.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 63 points to 22,331. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 4 points to 2,504, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 6 points or 0.1% to 6,455. Commodity Markets. Gold fell \$12.38 to \$1307.78 and the price of crude oil rose \$.01 to \$49.90.

♦ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ Heritage School at the McMinn Living Heritage Museum will present an American Girl Doll Tea Party this Saturday at 12 noon. You need to call to register at 745-0329.
- ✓ The Tennessee Department of Safety and the Tennessee Highway Safety Office have announced the awarding of federal grant funds to local police departments. The Athens Police Department will receive \$5,000, Englewood gets \$3,000, Etowah receives \$15,000, Niota gets \$3,000, the McMinn County Sheriff's Department gets \$20,000, Decatur receives \$3,000, and the Meigs County Sheriff's Department gets \$13,000. The money is for such things as high visibility traffic enforcement and alcohol enforcement.





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