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Athens, Tennessee

### State & Local News

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#### ◆ MISSING GIRL TURNS HERSELF IN

The 17-year-old Athens girl who was the subject of an endangered child alert issued by the TBI and a suspect in a botched robbery attempt at the Athens Lodge Sunday morning has turned herself in. Detective Fred Shultz says one of Devin Skye Hester's friends picked her up in Madisonville and brought her to the Athens Police Department. Police say they believe drugs were the motive for the robbery attempt. Devin's parents say she has a history of drug issues and has been involved in a rehab program.

#### ◆ THP RELEASES NAMES OF WRECK VICTIMS

The Tennessee Highway Patrol has released the names of the two Etowah men who were killed in a fiery head-on collision on Highway 411 near Etowah early Sunday morning. The THP says they were George P. Alden, 65, and Terry L. Vaughn, Jr., 44. The THP says Alden was driving south when he crossed the center line and hit Vaughn's vehicle head-on. Both men died at the scene.

#### ◆ TESTIMONY GIVEN AGAINST PELLEY

The called meeting of the Athens City Council last evening consisted of Athens City Attorney Chris Trew asking questions to three witnesses, under oath, about alleged sexual harassment by council member Dick Pelley. Since Pelley could not attend the meeting, another called meeting will be held where he and/or his attorney, Jim Logan, will be able to cross-examine the witnesses.

◆ Today marks the 50th anniversary of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on a motel balcony in Memphis. Funeral services were held in Atlanta. Morning Fax editor and WYXI Radio newsman Bob Ketchersid was working for WSB Radio in Atlanta at the time and covered the events leading up to the funeral and graveside service. The photo below appeared in Newsweek Magazine. Ketchersid can be seen at the lower right holding a microphone. (See arrow)



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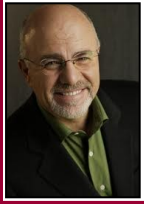
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**Wednesday** - Cloudy. 60% rain. High 55.  
**Wed. Night** - Clear. Low 32.  
**Thursday** - Sunny. High 65.  
**Friday** - 20% rain. High 65.  
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## Obituaries

- ♦ **Carolyn Sue Colbaugh**, age 70, of Decatur, died March 24th at her home. A celebration of life will be held Saturday at 5 p.m. at the Good Hope Baptist Church in Decatur, with visitation from 4 to 5 p.m. at the church. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.
- ♦ **Mark Wesley Malone**, age 56, of Athens, died Sunday at his home. Graveside services will be held at 12 noon Thursday at Cedar Grove Cemetery. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.
- ♦ **Jennie Helen Jones Poteet**, age 49, of Cleveland, died March 18th at her home. She was a native of Athens. A celebration of her life will be held Saturday at 7 p.m. at the Planted in Christ Ministries, 317 Maple Street, in Athens, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at the church. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge.
- ♦ **Terry Lee Vaughn, Jr.**, age 44, of Etowah, died Sunday. A graveside service will be held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Cambria Cemetery. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 10 to 11
- ♦ **Irene Shadden Webb**, of Etowah, died Tuesday at NHC Healthcare. She was office assistant for twenty years at First Baptist Church of Etowah. A graveside service will be held at Green Hill Cemetery on Sunday at 1 p.m. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## McMinn Students Take Part in SCOPE

Students from McMinn County Schools joined approximately 350 of their high school peers in Murfreesboro last month to express their views on public education in Tennessee at the Tennessee School Boards Association Student Congress on Policies in Education (SCOPE). SCOPE is designed to give students a voice where public education issues are concerned and to involve young people in finding solutions to the topics that are discussed. The students also took part in full-scale debates on such issues as whether corporal punishment should be banned from all schools, whether all students should pass a civics exam to graduate, whether cyber-bullying should be a zero-tolerance offense, and whether student information should be shared without parent permission.



Those attending from McMinn County are pictured, left to right: David Stoika (retired MCHS teacher), Zachary Taylor and Channa Chrisman from Central, Sydney Crayne and Collin Robinson from MCHS, and Stephanie Smith (CHS teacher)



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