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Today's News...This Morning

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Monday, March 27, 2017

Athens, Tennessee

Local & Area News

◆ ATHENS MAN BUSTED FOR METH

Jason C. Johnson, 33, of Athens is in jail following a joint drug

operation by the 10th Judicial District Drug Task Force, the McMinn County Sheriff's Office, and the Athens Police Department. Officers confiscated 200 grams of methamphetamine. Sheriff Joe Guy says this is a significant amount of meth that is now off the street. He says he hopes the arrest sends a message to others who deal drugs in McMinn County: "No matter who you are or where



you are, police agencies are working together and they are coming to get you."

♦ FAMOUS RADIO STATION TO SIGN OFF

The radio station that at one time ruled the airwaves in Chattanooga and southeast Tennessee is signing off the air permanently this week. A press release from the owners says: "After more than 56 years of broadcasting, WFLI 1070 AM will go off the air on March 31, 2017." WFLI, with a 50,000 watt transmitter on Lookout Mountain, boomed out rock n' roll music with such DJ's as Tommy Jett, Johnny Eagle, Jim Pirkle, and Dale Anthony. It was known as "Jet-FLI." The station changed its format to country music in 1979 as FM stations began dominating the market. For the past two decades. WFLI has billed itself as the "Mid-South's Most powerful AM Southern Gospel Radio Voice."

National & World News

- Fifteen people were shot and one person was killed when a gunman opened fire early Sunday at the Cameo nightclub in Cincinnati. Police say the shooting was not terrorist-related.
- Vice President Pence vows that President Trump will keep fighting to repeal and replace Obamacare. Pence says it's "back to the drawing board" for Republican members of the House.
- Federal officials say the pilot of a Cessna Citation reported he was having trouble with his autopilot shortly before crashing into a neighborhood in Marietta, Georgia, last Friday night. The pilot was killed. The plane was flying from Cincinnati to Atlanta.
- ◆ A Mississippi catfish processor is recalling 1,700 pounds of fish after the U.S. Department of Agriculture found it contained chemicals that are banned in fish farming. The contaminated products are 15-pound boxes of frozen catfish labeled as Lake's Farm Raised Catfish. The boxes were sent to stores and institutional users in Tennessee and Mississippi.
- ◆ A former co-worker of Tad Cummins is offering a \$5,000 reward for information leading to his arrest in an ongoing AMBER Alert involving 15-year-old Elizabeth Thomas. Cummins disappeared with the girl two weeks ago today in Columbia, TN. Cummins was a respiratory therapist supervisor at a hospital before becoming a school teacher. The reward is being offered by a nurse practitioner who had worked with him. He described Cummins as a bully, who would demean the hospital's nursing staff.



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Obituaries

- Mary Louise Phillips Maloney, age 72, of Athens, died Friday at Select Specialty Hospital in Knoxville. A private memorial service will be held at a later date. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- Eugene G. Hale, age 85, of Athens, died Friday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. He was a longtime attorney in Athens. He had also served as president of the McMinn County Regional Humane Society. He was a son of the late Professor B.L. Hale. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Monday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from noon to 1 p.m.
- Kathryn Lee Jaquish Engebretson, age 60, of St. George, Utah, died from cancer on March 14th. She had been a school teacher, and she and her husband operated a chocolate candy business. Her parents, Michael and Merna Jaquish, live in Athens. Graveside services will be held on Wednesday, March 29th, at Cedar Grove Cemetery, with visitation Tuesday from 5 to 7 p.m. at Mars Hill Presbyterian Church. Smith Funeral Home is in charge.
- Mary Frances Johnson Walker, age 76, of Knoxville, died March 16th at her home. She was a native of Athens, and retired from Thomas & Betts after 30 years. Funeral services were held this past Saturday at M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home of Athens.

More Obituaries

- Jeanette Constance "Connie" Colucci, age 84, of Athens, died March 17th at her home. A funeral mass was conducted Saturday at St. Mary Catholic Church. Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah was in charge of arrangements.
- Brenda Joyce Parker Pelletier, age 62, of Decatur, died Friday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. Memorial services will be held at 8 p.m. Monday at Bowers Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 till 8.
- **Bobbie Shadden Johnson,** age 84, of Englewood, died last Friday at her home. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Mars Hill Cemetery. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge.
- Daniel Plemons, age 33, of Englewood, died Saturday at his home. He worked at Johns-Manville. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Serenity Funeral Home of Etowah, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ Tennessee Wesleyan University's Chorale will present a free concert, "In the Footsteps of the Reformation," tomorrow at noon at the McMinn Senior Activity Center in Athens. Admission is free and the public is invited.
- ✓ The guest on the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce's radio program, "Chamber Chat," this week will be Fairy Lambert, owner of Natural Elements Interiors. You can hear the program at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday on WYXI Radio, FM 94.5 or AM 1390.

Sweetwater Hospital Association and its Board of Directors are proud to announce the appointment of three new Board Certified physicians as members of their Medical Staff



Dr. Vernon Pegram II Board Certified Obstetrician and Gynecologist

Dr. Pegram completed his undergraduate work at the University of the South in East Tennessee, then moved to the University of Alabama where he obtained his medical degree in June of 1993. Dr. Pegram completed his residency at Greenville Hospital Systems in South Carolina and returned to the North Alabama area to practice medicine for the next 18 years.



Dr. Sean DeLair Board Certified Urologist

Dr. DeLair earned his medical degree from the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond in 2001, where he also completed an internship and residency. He completed an additional residency at the University of California Davis Medical Center in Sacramento, CA. Dr. DeLair enjoys spending time on the water with his family and friends.



Dr. Walt C. Chiles III Board Certified Urologist

Dr. Walt C. Chiles III, earned his medical degree from the University of Tennessee College of Medicine in Memphis, TN in 1999. He served his general surgical residency and received his post graduate training at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences and was Chief Resident in the Department of Urology from 2004 - 2005 in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dr. DeLair and Dr. Chiles will transition Dr. Klein's patients to their practice, as he is retiring. All physicians are accepting new patients in their new offices located in the Sweetwater Hospital Association Professional Office Building, 304 Wright Street, Sweetwater, TN 37874.

Sweetwater Hospital Association is fortunate these physicians have chosen to serve the men and women of our community.

To make an appointment, please call: Dr. Pegram (865)-213-8592, Dr. DeLair (865)-938-5222, & Dr. Chiles (865)-690-3811



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