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Man Identified in Philadelphia Shooting



In a follow-up to the story covered on Page 4 of Tuesday's Edition of the Morning Fax, found [HERE](#), the suspect in a Monroe Co. Shooting has been identified as Michael Earl Dowling. He has been charged with attempted murder, aggravated domestic assault, and possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony. According to the affidavit, on Saturday, June 15, MCSO deputies responded to a residence in the 700 block of Reed Springs Road following a report of a shooting. Upon arrival, deputies discovered a woman inside the home with a "large wound in her left chest area, consistent with a gunshot wound." She had allegedly been shot by her boyfriend, Michael Dowling. Dowling is being held on no bond and his next court appearance is scheduled for July 1.

...from WATE.com

Community News You Can Use

- The City of Athens Parks and Recreation Department has announced that the Ingleside Pool parking lot will be closed today, Thursday, June 20th and tomorrow, Friday, June 21st due to paving of the Ingleside Recreation Complex parking lot. The department suggests temporarily parking at the Ingleside Elementary School. For questions or more information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Office at (423) 744-2704.
- The Athens Utilities Board's Budget and Finance Committee will meet today Thursday, June 20 at 11:30 am.
- The McMinn County Board of Commissioners will meet in the Blue Room of the McMinn County Courthouse in Athens for their regular session on Friday, June 28th at 12:00 pm.

WEATHER FORECAST

Thursday - Mostly sunny & warm. High 91.
Thurs. Night - Partly cloudy & humid. Low 69.
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Motorist Loses Control in Etowah

On Tuesday afternoon around 5 pm, the driver of a 2018 Triumph Bonneville motorcycle lost control at the intersection of Highway 411 S and County Road 859 in Etowah. The driver was treated and transported to Tennova Healthcare in Cleveland by an American Medical Response ambulance. Etowah Rural Fire, Claxton Fire, and McMinn County Sheriff's Department all responded along with THP Officer Alex Barger who investigated the accident. *Photo by Etowah Rural Fire Department*



Layoffs at Volkswagen in Chattanooga



The Volkswagen Assembly plant in Chattanooga has announced the layoff of about 50 salaried and administrative staff workers. A statement from the

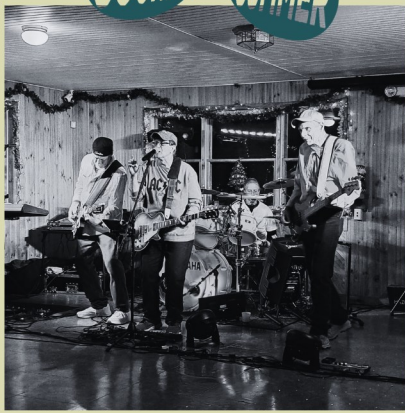
company said the layoffs are occurring at most of their other assembly plants around the world and the giant company seeks to lower their expenses and be more competitive in the automobile market place.

Here is the complete statement provided by Volkswagen: "Volkswagen is implementing a global performance program to drive efficiency and cost savings at its core brand. Some salaried and administrative positions in our U.S. business are impacted. Hourly workers in our assembly plant are not impacted. As with any reorganization, we are supporting our employees through this transition."

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What Day Is It?

Today In History - June 20

1863 - West Virginia became the 35th state. It was originally part of Virginia, which had seceded from the Union during the Civil War. The western counties in Virginia supported the North and declared their independence from Virginia. Eventually, they became West Virginia.

1867 - The U.S. purchased the territory of Alaska from Russia for \$7 million, or about 2¢ per acre.

1975 - Steven Spielberg's thriller *Jaws* was released in theatres, and it was a huge success, essentially creating the genre of summer blockbusters.

1977 - Oil began flowing through the 789-mile-long Alaska pipeline.

TODAY IS:

- National Ice Cream Soda Day
- National Vanilla Milkshake Day
- National Seashell Day

Obituaries

Mary Jane Keaton Bowman, 84 of Ten Mile, passed away on June 18 a little after 10 a.m., surrounded by her loving family. She was a member of Decatur Church of God for 24 years. She was a devoted and loving wife and a wonderful mother. A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 22, 2024 at Decatur Church of God. The family will receive friends from 11 a.m.- 1p.m., prior to the service. Decatur Funeral Home & Cremation Services is honored to serve the Bowman Family.

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Friends Of Library Book Sale

Friends of the Library annual book sale begins today at the McMinn County High School cafeteria. The sale will continue through Sunday. Hours are Thursday 5pm-8pm; Friday 9am-5pm; Saturday 9am-3pm and Sunday 12pm-3pm. WYXI Radio AM 1390 & FM 94.5 will be broadcasting live on Friday from 11am-3pm. The Athens Fire Department along with Sparky the Fire Dog will be there. The Midlife Frysies Food Truck will be parked outside. There will be lots of giveaways from: Studio 3:16, Simmons Bank, Peoples Bank of East TN, Longhorn Steak House, Mayfield Dairy, Midway Milkshake, Domino's, Fuller's Frame Shop, Capstar Bank, Truist Bank, Starr Mountain Outfitters, Greek's Bearing Gifts, Pizza Hut & White St. Market. All proceeds from the sale benefit E. G. Fisher Library.

Free Latin Dance Classes

Knoxville's Chino Salsero Cruz will be offering 2 FREE introduction classes, Salsa On 1 & Traditional Bachata, Sunday, June 23 from 4 to 8 p.m. at Athens Regional Park. No experience or partner needed. Special guest instructor and dancer Kassie Lin from HK Studios will be performing her piece that she is taking to the Latin Dance Crown Competition at the Orlando Salsa Congress in July! This event is to foster, encourage & build our dance community. This is a potluck event so please bring a dish to share. Family friendly, children will be tolerated and dogs welcomed! NO alcohol PLEASE, as it is not allowed in the park. Bring hydrating fluids, folding chairs, dress for comfort and to have an awesome Latin dance!

Tennessee Volunteers baseball defeat Florida State and advance to the College World Series Finals.
See Friday's edition of the Morning Fax for more information on the MCWS finals.

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