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Sheriff: Boy, 13, fatally shot sister while unloading gun

ATHENS, Tenn. (AP) — Authorities in McMinn County say a teenage girl has been fatally shot after the gun her younger brother was unloading discharged.

Local news outlets report that McMinn County Sheriff Joe Guy said the 17-year-old girl was struck Saturday by a single round from the rifle her 13-year-old brother was handling inside the family's home near Niota.

She was pronounced dead at the scene. Guy says the sheriff's office is still investigating, but the incident appears to be an accident. No charges have been filed at this time and no names were immediately released.

First flight in half-century leaves Miami Havana-bound

(AP) — The first regularly scheduled flight to Cuba's capital in more than a half-century has left from Miami. Several airlines began routes to other Cuban cities earlier this year but Monday morning's flight was the first of the new Havana-bound service and the first of four daily flights American Airlines plans out of Miami International. Jet Blue will start twice-daily service from Orlando on Tuesday and Fort Lauderdale on Wednesday. On Thursday, Spirit Airlines and Frontier Airlines begin flying from Fort Lauderdale and Delta flights will take off from Miami, New York's JFK airport and Atlanta. Southwest starts daily service from Fort Lauderdale on Dec. 12. The flights were made possible under newly restored ties between Cuba and U.S. President Barack Obama's administration.

Clinton welcomes \$5.7M TCAT facility

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CLINTON, Tenn. — Just under \$6 million — \$5.7 million dollars to be exact — of the state's Drive to 55 Capacity Funds will go to Tennessee College of Applied Technology for a new Anderson County facility as announced by Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam.

Anderson County Mayor Terry Frank said in a re-

cent email to The Oak Ridger that the training facility would be next to SL Tennessee on Frank Diggs Drive in Clinton. SL Tennessee donated the land for the facility.

Rick Meredith, president of the Anderson County Chamber of Commerce, reminded attendees of a recent Oak Ridge program that he was presenting that SL Tennessee

Automotive Parts, which has 1,400 employees, is a South Korean company that makes gearshifts and head and tail lamps. The SL Tennessee property has undergone numerous expansions over the years since locating in Anderson County.

Regarding the new TCAT facility, Anderson County Mayor Frank said that "none of us like seeing high unem-

ployment numbers ... and equipping and educating the people in our county and region will be a key in ensuring a solid future."

She said the target for opening the facility is two years.

"Education and workforce training is also crucial to the future as we don't know what tomorrow's workforce needs will be — but having a facility to equip

individuals with the training they need for the jobs of tomorrow is incredibly exciting," Frank added.

Tim Thompson, president of Thompson County Economic Development Association, said before the Clinton TCAT facility opens, TCAT aims to open a Norris facility at 3310 Andersonville Highway in January of

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Riding the 'Ridge'

Marshal Andy, others remember Bobby Copeland

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OAK RIDGE, Tenn. — Oak Ridger Bobby Copeland, an expert on B-Western movies and a long-time friend of "Marshal Andy" Smalls, died Oct. 5 Copeland at the age of 81.



Gone but not forgotten, Copeland's many years as president of the Silver Screen Club and the many books he wrote on Western stars were addressed last month when Andy, a singing cowboy, once again rode into The Secret City as guest speaker (and yodeler!) of a dinner meeting hosted by the "informal" Atomic City Memories Club at the local Shoney's on Illinois Avenue.

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Accompanied by guitarist Larry DeMarcus, a singer in his own right, 'Marshal Andy' Smalls, right, croons to a crowd of 40 gathered for a recent meeting of the Atomic City Memories Club of Oak Ridge, Tenn.

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Dictionary.com Word of Year: 'xenophobia'

BY LEANNE ITALIE
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You might have thought about it, heard it. A lot.

You might have even felt it: Dictionary.com's word of the year is "xenophobia."

While it's difficult to get at exactly why people look words up in dictionaries, online or on paper, it's clear that in contentious 2016, fear of "otherness" bruised the collective consciousness around the globe.

The Brexit vote, police violence against people of color, Syria's refugee crisis, transsexual rights and the U.S. presidential race were among prominent developments that drove debate — and spikes in lookups of the word, said Jane Solomon, one of the dictionary site's lexicographers.

The 21-year-old site defines xenophobia as "fear or hatred of foreigners, people from different cultures, or strangers." And it plans to expand its entry to include fear or dislike of "customs, dress and cultures of people with backgrounds different from our own," Solomon said in a recent interview.

The word didn't enter the English language until the late 1800s, she said. Its roots are in two Greek words — "xenos," meaning "stranger or guest," and "phobos," meaning "fear or panic," Solomon added.

The interest was clear June 24, within a period that represents the largest spike in lookups of xenophobia so far this year.

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