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Monday, June 18, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

Local & Area News

IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THIS ONE!!

Two suspects with numerous active arrest warrants and histories of drug and theft charges were traveling on County Road 464 last Thursday evening, when the driver noticed a black truck in the rear view mirror. Assuming it was the police, the driver, Jennifer Peak, 29, (below, left) of Madisonville, turned into a driveway, hoping it would appear they were residents going home and the officer would pass them by. The driveway actually belonged to McMinn County Sheriff Joe Guy, who was driving the patrol truck, and the suspects drove right to his house. He took Peak into custody. A passenger in the car, Larry Trueblood, Jr., 24, (below, right) of Englewood, fled on foot. He was captured about 6 hours later in Monroe County along with a stolen truck. The pair now face many additional charges. (Photos from McMinn County Sheriff's Office)







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National & World News

- ◆ At least one person is dead and 20 injured after a wild shootout at a 24-hour art event in southern New Jersey early Sunday morning about 2:45 a.m. The person killed is a suspect in the shooting, and another suspect is in custody.
- ◆ A loyal Yorkshire terrier named Fat Heath stayed with a missing 3-year-old girl in a dense cornfield in Missouri all night. According to authorities. Fat Heath heroically led a search party to them with a "weak bark" by responding to one of the dogs barks from the search party.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The guest this week on "Chamber Chat," the weekly Athens Area Chamber of Commerce radio program, will be Elizabeth Umphrey, coordinator of the Better Living Center. You can hear the show at 8:15 a.m. each Tuesday on WYXI Radio, AM-1390, FM-94.5, and on the internet here: **ONLINE**.
- ✓ McMinn County school director Mickey Blevins is stepping down. Blevins announced at the school board meeting last Thursday night that he will be resigning effective December 31st. Blevins was a teacher at Calhoun Elementary School for 16 years, then became the county elementary supervisor before being named Director of Schools.

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Monday - Sunny & Hot. High

Mon. night - 20% rain & t'storms. Low 71.

Tuesday - 20% rain & t'storms. High 92.

More Weather at: wyxi.com

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Obituaries

- Edward George Bouchard, Jr., age 83, of Athens, and formerly of Miami, Florida, died Thursday. He served in the U.S. Air Force and was a Broadcast Engineer for the local ABC TV affiliate, WPLG, in Miami. At his request, there will be no formal visitation or funeral service. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- Albert Thurman, age 68, of Dayton, died Thursday. Funeral services will be Monday at 11 a.m. at Bowers Funeral Home in Decatur with burial to follow in Worthington Cemetery in Pikeville.
- Hugh H. (Buddy) Biddle, Jr., age 90, of Athens, died Thursday at Life Care Center of Athens. A memorial service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Keith Memorial United Methodist Church. Smith Funeral & Cremation Services of Athens is in charge of arrangements.
- Roy B. (Benny) Thomas, age 76, of Athens, died Thursday. He was a native of Walnut, North Carolina and a longtime resident of McMinn County. He served in the U.S. Navy. He was associated with TVA as a pipefitter, worked with the Meigs County Rescue Squad and had a lawn service. Funeral services were held Saturday at Smith Funeral Home.

Friday's Market Report

U.S. stocks were lower after the U.S. announced \$50 billion in tariffs on Chinese imports. China responded with its own tariffS on \$34 billion worth of U.S. goods. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 85 points or 0.3% to 25,090. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 3 points or 0.1% to 2,779, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 15 points or 0.2% to 7,746.

TODAY IN HISTORY - June 18th

- **1812 -** The U.S. declared war on Britain during a dispute over shipping rights. Due to the lack of quick communications, the war was declared after Britain had stated it would repeal the laws which the U.S. disliked.
- **1815 -** Napoleon met his Waterloo. Britain's Duke of Wellington defeated Napoleon at Waterloo in Belgium.
- **1873 -** Suffragist Susan B. Anthony was fined \$100 for attempting to vote in the 1872 presidential election. **1942 -** Paul McCartney, one of the Beatles, was born in
- Liverpool, England. He went solo in 1970 and had such hits as "My Love" and "Silly Love Songs."
- **1972 -** Hurricane Agnes came ashore in Florida and went on to cause devastating floods from North Carolina to New York. A total of 122 people were killed.

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