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State & Local News

◆ APD INVESTIGATES CAR JACKING & THEFT

Athens Police are investigating an attempted car jacking which occurred Tuesday afternoon at the Greyhound bus station. Ken Newton of Athens said that four black male teenagers tried to take his 1999 Ford Explorer, but could not get the vehicle started. After Newton yelled at the youths, they ran across Decatur Pike toward the Hardees Restaurant, where they took a 1997 Plymouth Breeze that was parked at the restaurant. The vehicle was charcoal gray, had a handicapped tag on it (22DD1746) with black wheels and a large dent in the hood. The vehicle was last seen heading southbound on I-75. Ironically, the suspects had told a county deputy earlier that they were wanting to go to Decatur, Georgia and the county officer dropped them off at the bus station. Photos of the suspects are on page 2.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The Kiwanis Club program for this Friday will be the YMCA's Healthy Living Initiatives and their new building project. It will be presented by program chair Joe Ratledge and Lee Montgomery, the Athens-McMinn YMCA Executive Director. The club meets at noon on Friday in the Glen Lowe Dining Room @ TWC.

National & International News

◆ Senator Lamar Alexander's Chief of Staff in his D.C. office, Ryan Loskarn, has been placed on administrative leave without pay. Senator Alexander said that he was "stunned, surprised, and disappointed" when he learned that Loskarn's personal residence was being searched by law enforcement agents regarding allegations involving child pornography. David Cleary will take his place.



◆ U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius has asked the department's inspector general to investigate the performance of private contractors in the flawed launch of the Obamacare Website.

◆ The photographer who captured President Obama participating in a selfie at Nelson Mandela's memorial service on Tuesday insists Michelle Obama's stern reaction seen in the photo was not directed at her husband.

◆ House Republicans signaled support Wednesday for a budget deal. A plan to stabilize Congress' erratic fiscal efforts, avert another government shutdown and mute some of the partisan rancor that has damaged Americans' attitudes about their lawmakers. However, the plan lacks many priorities Republicans have fought for and proposes no major reforms to Social Security and Medicare, nor does it balance the budget.

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Santa will be at Joe's Dec. 21, 10a-8p. Bring your own camera! (small fee applies)

Thursday (All Day) 8 oz. Sizzlin' Top Sirloin with Choice of Side Item, Bakery, & Dessert Bars, \$7.99. Western Sizzlin has Gift Certificates. Buy a \$25 card and get a \$5 card free! 1804 Decatur Pike 745-2626

9th Annual Community Christmas Concert
Friday, Dec. 13th 7pm
1st Baptist Church, Etowah
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**A Homemade Christmas!
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in the Riceville Elementary
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Santa pictures will begin
at 6 p.m. Check out our
FB page for updates!!
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Athens, Tennessee

PHOTOS OF APD SUSPECTS

Athens Police released the following photos of the four suspects believed to be involved in the theft of the 1997 Plymouth Breeze described on page 1. If you can provide any identification information, contact the APD at 744-2730.



Obituaries

Helen Curtis Tullock, age 92, of Delano, died Wednesday. She was a former school teacher and had taught for 32 years prior to retiring, at Etowah High School, Jefferson City High School, Spring Town Elementary School on Starr Mountain, and several other schools in Nashville. A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Delano Cemetery followed by a Memorial Service at 3 p.m. Saturday at Wetmore Baptist Church in Delano. Bordwine Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

RESCUE SQUAD GETS NEW ADDITION

The McMinn County Rescue Squad has added a 1997 Freightliner LF60 Morgan Medium Rescue Truck to its fleet. It will go into service as Squad 1 after being outfitted with a cascade system, air bottles, extrication equipment, air bags, and first responder medical equipment. It was purchased from the Collinsville, Virginia Volunteer Fire Department. Photo by Jay Thomson.



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WEATHER

Thursday - Partly cloudy.
Lows in the mid 20s.
Thurs. night - Mostly clear.
Lows in the lower 20s.
Friday - Increasing cloudiness. Highs in the upper 40s
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