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## Today's News... This Morning

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Friday, April 20, 2018

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## State & Local News

### ◆ McMINN MAN DIES FROM GUNSHOT

A shooting incident Wednesday resulted in the death of a man in the Nonaburg community on Highway 39 East of Englewood. Sheriff Joe Guy says deputies responded to the call around 11:45 a.m. and found Jacob Leatherman, 22, of Englewood, unresponsive and suffering from a gunshot wound. Deputies and first responders tried CPR without success and Leatherman died from his injuries. Sheriff Guy says it appears the resident, Michael Webb, was shooting a 22 rifle in the yard. At some point, he was stepping back into the residence when the rifle discharged and Leatherman was shot. Sheriff Guy is consulting with the District Attorney's office about the case. Guy says the incident appears to be accidental, but the investigation is continuing.

### ◆ CONTROLLED BURN IN MONROE CO.

The U.S. Forest Service plans a controlled burn today in the Cherokee National Forest northeast of Coker Creek and southeast of Tellico Plains. The burn involves 1,600 acres. The Forest Service says smoke may be visible in surrounding areas.

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## National & World News

◆ The U.S. claims to have "credible information and intelligence" that Russian and Syrian regime officials are denying an investigative team access to the alleged chemical weapons attack sites in Douma, Syria, as they sanitize them and remove incriminating evidence.

◆ After nearly 60 years of Castro rule, Cuba has a new president. First Vice President Miguel Díaz-Canel was named the next president by The Cuban General Assembly on Wednesday.

◆ The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 83 points to close at 24,665. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 16 points to 2,693, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 57 points to 7,238.

### ◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The McMinn County Amateur Radio Club will have their Spring Field Day Saturday at the L&N Depot in Etowah from 7:30 a.m. to noon. The club's emergency trailer will be available for tours by the public, and club members will answer questions about amateur radio.

✓ The Athens Thrive Team invites you to join them Saturday, April 21st, at 9:30 a.m. for a clean up day at the "pocket spot" on N. Jackson Street behind Big Belly Deli.

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## Obituaries

- ♦ **Gordon C. Ford**, age 77, of Athens, died Tuesday at Parkwest Medical Center in Knoxville. He was the operator of Ford Dozier Service, and served in the U.S. Army. The family will meet at 11 a.m. Friday at Idlewild Cemetery for a graveside service. Smith Funeral Home is in charge.
- ♦ **Pauline Marie Russell Nichols**, age 83, of Athens, died Wednesday at the home of her daughter. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Smith Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at Smith.
- ♦ **Samuel Crabtree**, age 80, of Riceville, died Wednesday at his residence. He was a farmer and employed at the McMinn County School Bus Garage as a mechanic. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Saturday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- ♦ **Jacob Ryan Leatherman**, age 22, of Englewood, died Wednesday. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Monday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- ♦ **Jamie Willoughby Riden**, age 51, of Etowah, died Thursday. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at Bordwine Funeral Home with visitation from noon to 2 p.m.

## Church News & Events

- Boyd Memorial First Church of God will have their quarterly Gospel singing this Saturday at 6 p.m.
- Union McMinn Baptist Church will have a revival from April 22-25 at 6:30 p.m. nightly. The evangelist will be Dr. Jeff Labor.
- The Tennessee Wesleyan University Band and the Etowah Town Band will have a joint concert combing the two ensembles this Sunday at 6 p.m. at North Etowah Baptist Church. The combined bands will feature approximately 40 instrumental players, with a combination of patriotic songs, sacred hymns, and popular tunes.
- Union Hill Baptist Church will have a two-day revival on May 7 and 8 at 7 p.m. Bob McCurry will be preaching.
- The Hymnsmen Quartet will sing at Freedom Baptist Church on Velma Road in Athens at 6:30 p.m. on April 29th.
- John Lanier will be singing at Pope Avenue Baptist Church on April 29th at 10:45 a.m.



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