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Thursday, June 21, 2018

Athens, Tennessee

State & Local News

◆ COUNCIL GETS POLICE & FIRE REPORTS

The members of the Athens City Council heard the police and fire department reports on activity for the month of May at Tuesday evening's council meeting.

- Police Chief Cliff Couch reported there were 66 thefts in May, 19 assaults, 17 burglaries, 10 motor vehicle thefts, two sex offenses, and one robbery. There were 96 traffic accidents with nine injuries. Police issued 232 citations for moving violations. There are two vacancies on the police department.
- Fire Chief Jim Dyer reported that firefighters responded to 60 calls in May. One call was to a residential fire, one to an industrial fire, one each to grass, trash and vehicle fires, 13 to vehicle accidents, and 16 false alarms. Damage from fires in May totaled \$46,800.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Recreation Advisory Board meeting scheduled for today, June 21st, has been moved to June 28th at 12 noon.
- ✓ The monthly Athens Area Chamber of Commerce "Business Before Hours" will be this morning from 8 to 9 at Dominion Senior Living, 2090 West Madison Avenue, Athens.
- ✓ The Tennessee Highway Patrol has scheduled a Sobriety Checkpoint in McMinn County on Highway 30 at County Road 750, Friday, June 22nd, at 10 p.m.

National & World News

◆ A Massachusetts woman managed to fight off a convicted rapist who attacked her over the weekend and tried to force her into his car. She managed to break away from her attacker as he fell and ran back to his car. Gordon Lyons, a convicted rapist, was later arrested by police in connection with the attack after he allegedly fled at high speed and crashed his vehicle.

◆ A mother in southern Mississippi has been charged with second-degree murder after her 10-month-old son was left in a hot car last Thursday and died.

◆ According to Syracuse University's TRAC Immigration database, which monitors U.S. federal immigration enforcement, the number of court cases at the southern border has been increasing since 2016. As of now there are 714,067 pending immigration cases.

◆ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

- ✓ The Grand Opening of the Athens Farmers Market will be from 3 to 6 p.m. today at Market Park Pavilion. There will be free hot dogs and drinks, a prize wheel for Farmers Market Cash, a Yeti door prize, plus locally-grown farm products for sale.
- ✓ Today is the first day of Summer. Summer officially started at 6:07 a.m. today, June 21st.
- ✓ The UT Extension-McMinn continues Freezer Meal Fridays. This Friday, June 22nd, you will learn how to prepare Crispy Cheddar Chicken and Asian Chicken Lettuce Wraps. Register for the class by calling 745-2852.



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Obituaries

♦ **Troy Franklin Burton**, age 67, of Athens, died Monday at his home. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Thursday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home with visitation from 4 to 7 p.m.

♦ **Frances Willetta Higginbotham Myers** died Tuesday. During World War II, she worked at Oak Ridge and helped build the Atomic Bomb. She later operated The Riceville Beauty Shop. After selling the beauty shop, she worked for and then retired from Duracell. At age 89, she finally retired after working 25 years for Knoxville Tours. She was the oldest member of Riceville Church of Christ. Graveside services will be held Thursday at 4 p.m. at the Riceville Cemetery. Smith Funeral Home is in charge.

♦ **Nicholas R. Domain**, age 74, of Sweetwater, died Tuesday at his home. He was a self-employed heavy equipment operator for 25 years and served six years in the Army National Guard. There will be no public services at this time. Companion Funeral Home of Athens is in charge of arrangements.

WEDNESDAY'S MARKET REPORT: U.S. stocks were mixed, with consumer discretionary the top performing sector and telecom the biggest laggard. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 42 points or 0.2% to 24,658. Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 5 points or 0.2% to 2,767, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 56 points or 0.7% to 7,782.

Athens Schools Honor Forgety

The Athens City Schools recognized State Rep. John Forgety for his dedicated service at the School Board meeting earlier this week. Dr. Forgety was honored for his dedication in education. Pictured below, left to right: Dr. Amy Sullins, Dr. Melanie Miller, Johnny Coffman, Dr. Forgety, Chris Adams and Mike Bevins.



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- 1788** - The U.S. Constitution went into effect as New Hampshire became the ninth state to ratify it.
- 1853** - The envelope folding machine was patented by Dr. Russell L. Hawes of Worcester, MA.
- 1940** - Richard M. Nixon married Thelma Catherine 'Pat' Ryan this day.
- 1973** - The Supreme Court ruled that states may ban materials found to be obscene according to local standards.
- 1982** - John Hinckley Jr. was found innocent by reason of insanity in the shootings of President Ronald Reagan and three others.
- 1997** - The Women's National Basketball Association made its debut.
- 1954** - NBC radio presented the final broadcast of *The Railroad Hour*, hosted by Gordon MacRae. The program had been on the air for almost six years.
- 1965** - Gary Player, from South Africa, won the U.S. Open golf tournament to become only the fourth winner to earn all four top pro golf titles.