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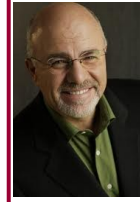
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Thursday, January 3, 2019

Athens, Tennessee

State & Area News

◆ BIG FISH BRAGGING RIGHTS

A Tennessee woman has reason to brag about the big fish she caught. Paula Cathey Smith caught an 88-pound catfish in Kentucky Lake. The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency calls it a "river monster." She caught the fish while out on the lake this past Sunday. Pictures were taken, the big fish was released, and now Smith has massive bragging rights. (Photo by TWRA)



National & World News

◆ There was a strong show of support for American Paul Whelan when U.S. Ambassador to Russia, Jon Huntsman, visited him at the notorious Lefortovo Detention Facility in Russia. Huntsman expressed his support and offered the embassy's assistance. Whelan was arrested last Friday by Russian authorities and accused of spying by Russia's Federal Security Service.

◆ House Democrats, which will take control of the chamber this week, have introduced a new rules package for the next session of Congress. The package paves the way for the House to defend the Affordable Care Act, aka Obamacare, in court, address climate change with a new committee and allow members to wear religious headwear on the House floor.

◆ The man accused of shooting and killing a Northern California police officer the day after Christmas has been charged with murder. Police Cpl. Ronil Singh, 33, was killed after he pulled Gustavo Perez Arriaga, 32, over because he believed he was under the influence of alcohol. Arriaga was in the U.S. illegally.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ January 11th is the 4-H Club's McMinn County Public Speech contest. The students in grades 4 through 8 competed in their classrooms, and the best speakers advanced to the county-wide contest. Registration will be at 8:30 a.m. at East Athens Baptist Church, and the contest will begin at 9 a.m.

✓ E.G. Fisher Library will have a special showing of the movie, *The Incredibles 2* this Friday at 2 p.m. Mask making will begin at 2, with the PG rated movie at 2:30. It is open to all ages.

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All Day: 8 oz. Sirloin Tips + Salad - Side - Bakery - Dessert - Rolls ~ \$12.99

Senior Buffet: (Ages 55+) Monday-Friday from 2-4 p.m. ~ \$6.79.



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TODAY IN HISTORY - JANUARY 3RD

- 1521** - Martin Luther was excommunicated from the Roman Catholic Church.
- 1892** - J.R.R. Tolkein, author of the fantasy novel "Lord of the Rings," was born.
- 1938** - The March of Dimes campaign to fight polio was started. It was founded by President Franklin D. Roosevelt as the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. It financed the research that produced the Salk and Sabin vaccines, which helped to prevent polio.
- 1959** - Alaska became the 49th state. The U.S. bought Alaska from Russia in 1867 for \$7.2 million which amounted to about 2-cents per acre.
- 1961** - The United States severed diplomatic relations with Cuba.
- 1967** - Jack Ruby, the man who fatally shot accused presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, died in a Dallas hospital.
- 1990** - Ousted Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega surrendered to U.S. forces, 10 days after taking refuge in the Vatican's diplomatic mission in Panama City
- 2000** - The last new daily "Peanuts" comic strip by Charles Schulz ran in 2,600 newspapers.
- 2004** - NASA's Mars rover, named "Spirit", touched down on the red planet.

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OBITUARIES

- ♦ **Richard Wayne Jenkins**, age 72, of the Rogers Creek Community near Athens, died Monday at his home after a battle with cancer. He retired from KFC in Athens as a maintenance man. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday.
- ♦ **Wayne Eugene Hicks**, age 83, of Englewood, died Monday at Starr Regional Medical Center in Etowah. He was a teacher for 18 years in the Alternative Program at McMinn County High School. He retired from the Army after 23 years of service, including service during the Vietnam War. There will be no formal visitation. The family will hold a memorial service at a later date at their home. Smith Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- ♦ **Helen Ann (Bunch) Smith**, age 80, of Etowah, died Monday at her home. She was a retired school teacher, and taught at Mountain View Elementary School. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Bordwine Funeral Home, with visitation from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- ♦ **Jean Z. Hagler**, age 78, of Kingston, died Wednesday. Arrangements will be announced by Bowers Funeral Home of Decatur.
- ♦ **William Donald Bennett** of Athens died Monday at his home. He was a business executive and later owned Southern Elegance Antiques in Downtown Athens. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church of Niota, with visitation at 1 p.m.

A Veteran Says "Thank You"

Local veteran Harvey Hensley wants to say thank you to the Veterans Services office and to Athens Utilities Board this holiday season. Harvey says he and his wife, Betty Jean, appreciate everything Susan Peglow and her staff have done for them at the McMinn County Veterans Services Office. He says they go above and beyond the call of duty for veterans. Harvey says, "We don't know what we would do without Susan." He and his wife also thanked them and AUB for arranging for Christmas gifts for veterans. This photo from Erica Peden shows Mr. and Mrs. Hensley receiving gifts from AUB's Rex Wilcox.



Sometimes we think of squirrels as critters who steal our tomatoes and knock out the electricity from time to time. But Jennifer Hardison recently took this photo which also shows the beauty of squirrels. Thanks, Jennifer.



Wednesday's Market Report

U.S. stocks ended the first trading day of the new year modestly higher, driven by gains in energy, communication services, and consumer discretionary stocks. Oil prices rose on new data that highlighted OPEC supply cuts. Corporate news was light. In global economic news, China reported weak manufacturing data, and U.S. Treasuries rose.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 19 points or 0.1% to 23,346. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was up 3 points or 0.1% to 2,510, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was up 31 points or 0.5% to 6,666.

In Bond Markets, the 30-year Treasury yield closed lower at 2.97% And the 10-year Treasury yield finished lower at 2.65%.

In Commodity Markets, the spot price of gold rose \$6.47 to \$1,283.55, and the price of crude oil rose \$1.21 to \$46.62.