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Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Athens, Tennessee

Local & Area News

◆ ARRESTS MADE IN POLK CO. MURDER

Two suspects have been charged with First Degree Murder in the death of Jacob Dakota Moore, 26, last year in Polk County. Moore's skeletal remains were found by a hunter on Benton Mountain in the Reliance community last October. Last Thursday, authorities arrested Askia Witherow (shown below, left), 39, of Ooltewah, in Georgia. Over the weekend, a second suspect, 42-year-old James David Robinson (shown below, right), was arrested at the home of a relative in Hamilton County. Both suspects have been charged with First Degree Murder, Robbery, Kidnapping, and several other crimes.



Community News You Can Use

✓ Tom Hughes has now assumed his new duties as Executive Vice President of Peoples Bank of East Tennessee in the Niota office. For the past 12 months, he has been working out a non-compete agreement with his previous employer. Hughes has been a fixture in the McMinn County banking community for almost 40 years. He also has a long history of community service and currently serves as the Vice Chairman of the Athens Utilities Board. He is also past President of the McMinn County Economic Development Board, the Athens-McMinn YMCA, and the Athens Kiwanis Club. Hughes says he looks forward to visiting with all his friends and customers once again.

✓ Main Street Athens and the Downtown Business Association are planning a merger. DBA members are invited to attend the Main Street meeting this Thursday, January 24th, at noon at the McMinn Living Heritage Museum to make sure all your questions are answered.

✓ Today is "Dine Out Day for United Way at Bojangles. A portion of their sales will go to United Way of McMinn & Meigs.



WEATHER FORECAST

Tuesday: Some sunshine giving way to clouds. High 50.
Tue Night: Cloudy. Occasional rain. Low 40.
Wednesday: Cloudy. 75% rain. High 55.
Wed Night: Cloudy. Heavy rain tapering off. Low 27.
More Weather at: wysi.com

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Obituaries

- ♦ **Nina Womac Kinder**, age 89, of Eustis, Florida (and a former resident of McMinn County), died Saturday at her son's residence in Florida. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Smith Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Joe E. Coleman**, age 79, of Etowah, died Monday. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Bordwine Funeral Home.
- ♦ **Darleen Essie Peressini Otterstetter**, 75, formerly of The Villages, Florida, and New Orleans, died January 17th at the home of her daughter after a long battle with Alzheimers. She was retired from the Internal Revenue Service. Memorial services will be announced at a later date. Ziegler Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.
- ♦ **Jayne G. Miller**, age 90, of St. Petersburg, Florida (and formerly of Athens), died last Tuesday. She had served as a missionary in Puerto Rico. A celebration of life will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Companion Funeral Home of Athens, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.
- ♦ **Paula Kay Meyers**, age 53, of Ten Mile, died Sunday at U.T. Medical Center. She was born in Cleveland and was a lifelong resident of Ten Mile. She volunteered at the Decatur Senior Center. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Bowers Funeral Home with visitation beginning at 5 p.m.

4-H Poster Contest Winners

The McMinn County 4-H recently held a County Poster Art Contest. The winners are pictured below, left to right: 1st Place Madison Bishop, 2nd Place Eva Leamon, 3rd Place Danielle Watson, and Honorable Mention Danica Spann. The Farm Bureau Women sponsored the event.

(Photo courtesy of Brooke Cass, Extension Agent)



TODAY IN HISTORY—JANUARY 22nd

1875 - Motion-picture director D.W. Griffith was born. He is best known for his film, "The Birth of a Nation."

1889 - The Columbia Phonograph Company was formed in Washington, DC.

1946 - The Central Intelligence Group, which later became the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), was established by U.S. President Harry S Truman's directive issued this day.

1952 - Teddy Gentry of the group *Alabama* was born.

1968 - The NBC-TV show "Laugh-In" debuted "from beautiful downtown Burbank." The cast included the likes of Dan Rowan, Dick Martin, Arte Johnson, Goldie Hawn, Ruth Buzzi, Lily Tomlin, Judy Carnes, and Gary Owens. Even President Richard Nixon appeared on the show.

1970 - The Boeing 747 embarked on its first regularly scheduled commercial flight, from New York to London.

1973 - The U.S. Supreme Court issued a landmark ruling which legalized abortions.

1973 - Lyndon Baines Johnson, the 36th president of the United States, died at his ranch in Johnson City, Texas, at age 64.

1995 - Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy, the mother of President John F. Kennedy, died in Hyannis Port, Mass., at age 104.



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