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Barricaded man dies of injuries

A man who barricaded himself in his house Tuesday and shot himself in the head after a four-hour standoff with police died Wednesday, authorities said.

William Key, 29, of 1116 Wheeler Ave., was listed in critical condition at Erlanger hospital Tuesday, Chattanooga Police Department spokeswoman Jerri Weary said in a news release. Police had come to his house on warrants of filing a false report and leaving the scene of an accident, authorities said.

Hixson woman hurt in beating

A Hixson woman is in critical condition in a local hospital, and Chattanooga police are searching for her husband.

At 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Chattanooga police responded to the home of Shannon and John Wiser at S531 Sleepy Hollow Road and found the woman unconscious and suffering from unknown injuries, according to department spokeswoman Sgt. Jerri Weary.

Police issued warrants against John Wiser for domestic assault and attempted first-degree murder, a department news release stated.

Friends of Shannon Wiser told police they went to her home after receiving a frantic call from her saying that her husband was going to kill her. Children in the home at the time of the assault said John Wiser came to the house and ordered Shannon to the bedroom, then repeatedly hit, kicked and threw her into the wall, floor and bed. At some point he also began to choke her, police said.

Police searched the home and surrounding area but were unable to locate John Wiser.

Anyone who has information on the whereabouts of John Wiser is asked to contact Chattanooga police at 423-698-2525.

Man is charged in robbery, assault

East Ridge police arrested a man in connection with a Tuesday robbery on Ringgold Road, officials said.

Tyrone A. Heard, 29, of Chattanooga, is charged with aggravated robbery and aggravated assault, accused of hitting a woman in the face and taking her purse at an East Ridge Cricket store, said Officer Erik Hopkins, spokesman for the East Ridge Police Department.

The victim said she was able to wrestle her purse away from her attacker. When police arrived, the victim pointed out Heard, who was still sitting in a van in the Cricket parking lot, Hopkins said.

A hearing is scheduled for Sept. 14 at 5 p.m. in East Ridge Municipal Court, Hopkins said.

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