

Wednesday, April 24, 2019

Community News You Can Use

✓ The Athens Area Council for the Arts presents *Homecoming*, a Gospel concert, this Friday, April 26th, at Athens City Middle School. A highlight of the evening will be the debut of the Athens Community Gospel Choir, which includes former members of the Unity Gospel Choir as well as new voices. The evening will include performances by The Hardaway Sisters, Josh Bragg, and many more singers. Karen King, co-host of Burke's Sunday Morning Gospel Jubilee Show heard on WYXI Radio will be the Master of Ceremonies. The doors open at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students.

✓ The Friends of Etowah Carnegie Library will hold their annual Book Sale this Thursday through Sunday. Prices are \$2 for hardbacks, \$1 for paperbacks, 50-cents for children's books, and special collections are \$2 and up. The Book Sale will be held at the Etowah Community Center. The hours are 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. Sunday is Bag Day. Fill a bag for \$5.00.

A Household Hazardous Waste mobile collection service will be held this Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Decatur Farmer's Market.

✓ The guest on the Women at the Well radio show, "Hope From the Well," this week will be John Nation, a graduate of Teen Challenge of Arizona. "Hope From the Well" is heard at 8:15 a.m. Thursday on WYXI RADIO, AM-1390 & FM-94.5 or ONLINE

Negotiating the TWU Crosswalk

We've had several readers ask us recently to outline the procedures motorists are required to follow when the lights are flashing at the crosswalk on Green Street going past the Tennessee Wesleyan campus. So, here they are:

- 1. The lights are off unless a pedestrian activates the pushbutton. When the pedestrian presses the button, approaching drivers will see a FLASHING YELLOW LIGHT for a few seconds. That means motorists should reduce speed and be prepared to stop for a pedestrian in the crosswalk.
- The FLASHING YELLOW is followed by a SOLID YEL-2. LOW and then by a SOLID RED, requiring motorists to STOP at the stop line. At this time, the pedestrian receives a WALK indication on the countdown timer.
- 3. At the end of the WALK indication, the pedestrian sees a flashing DON'T WALK SIGNAL and motorists see an AL-TERNATING FLASHING RED light. During this period, motorists are required to stop and then proceed once pedestrians have cleared the crosswalk. There is a 30-second delay from the end of one cycle until another cycle can begin.

Athens police remind motorists about the state law regarding red lights. A solid red light is just that--a red light requiring traffic to stop until the light changes. A flashing red light is essentially a stop sign, requiring traffic to completely stop before proceeding.





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Obituaries

• Maudine Grimes Carter, age 77, of Etowah, died Saturday at her home. She was a former employee at the South Fork Restaurant in Madisonville. Funeral services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

• **Galyon "Earl" Stafford,** age 67, of Athens, died Monday at Starr Regional Medical Center of Athens. He was associated with Shoneys of Athens for over 20 years and retired from Carmike Movie Theater in Cleveland. The family will receive friends from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday at Ziegler Funeral Home.

MORE COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ The CASA Red Shoe Run 5K and Awareness Walk will take place this Saturday on Eureka Trail. Registration begins at 6 a.m., the 1 mile fun run/walk starts at 7:15 and the 5k race begins at 7:30.

✓ This coming Saturday is Drug Take Back Day. The Athens Police Department and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration will provide you with a way to properly dispose of out of date or unwanted pharmaceuticals. Just take them to the police department from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Furniture Outlet Grand Opening

The grand opening was held recently in Etowah for United Furniture Outlet located at 1130 Tennessee Avenue. United Furniture Outlet has a warehouse of discounted furniture. The photo below shows the owners, Ozzie and Yuliya Webb, along with daughters Liliya and Emiliya and a host of Etowah Area Chamber of Commerce members and United Furniture staff.

(Photo from Durant Tullock)



TODAY IN HISTORY - APRIL 24TH

1800 - Congress approved a bill establishing the Library of Congress.

1877 - Federal troops were ordered out of New Orleans, ending the North's post-Civil War rule in the South.

1898 - Spain declared war on the United States after rejecting America's ultimatum to withdraw from Cuba.

1916 - The Easter uprising began when some 1,600 Irish nationalists seized several key sites in Dublin.

1952 - Raymond Burr made his TV acting debut on the *Gruen Guild Playhouse* in an episode titled, *The Tiger*. Not long after this start, Burr would be seen in the hugely popular *Perry Mason* and much later in *Ironside*.

1955 - X-Minus One, a show for science fiction fans, was first heard on NBC radio this day.

1962 - The Massachusetts Institute of Technology achieved the first satellite relay of a television signal.

1969 - The singing family, The Cowsills, received a gold record for their hit single, *Hair*, from the Broadway show of the same name.

1980 - President Carter announced The United States launched an abortive attempt to free the American hostages in Iran; eight U.S. servicemen died.

1990 - The space shuttle Discovery blasted off from Cape Canaveral, Fla., carrying the \$1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope.

1996 - The main assembly of the Palestine Liberation Organization voted to revoke clauses in its charter that called for an armed struggle to destroy Israel.

2005 - Pope Benedict XVI was installed as leader of the Roman Catholic Church in ceremonies at the Vatican.