Community News You Can Use

✓ The Athens City Schools Board of Education meets this evening at the Athens City Middle School
✓ Beginning today and continuing until Saturday, February 29th, a section of Jackson Street will be closed. The area includes a parking space, the sidewalk, and a loading/no parking zone, next to the former “Cherokee Hardware” Building. The purpose is for a construction project.
✓ A free 7-week Quit Smoking class begins today and will be taught at the McMinn County Health Department from 12 noon until 1 p.m. and at the Starr Regional Medical Center Athens Campus from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Call 745-7431 to register.
✓ The second round of curbside loose leaf vacuum collection is going on now in the City of Athens. To find out your zone, call 744-2745 or go ONLINE to view a map.
✓ The Athens City Council Study Session will be held today at 5:30 p.m. at the Athens City Municipal Building.

LISTENING REMINDER: The Main Street Athens radio show, “Main Street Moments,” this week will feature Lauren Shepherd and Lauren Trew with the Athens Arts Center. You can hear the program each Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. on WYXI Radio, FM 94.5 and AM 1390 or online at wyxi.com

Today in History - January 13th

1794 - President George Washington approved a measure adding two stars and two stripes to the American flag, following the admission of Vermont and Kentucky to the union.
1885 - Alfred Fuller, the original Fuller Brush man, was born.
1906 - Hugh Gernsback of the Electro Importing Company advertised radio receivers for sale for the low, low price of just $7.50 in “Scientific American” magazine. The ad guaranteed reception of about one mile.
1962 - Chubby Checker set a record, literally, with the hit, The Twist. The song reached the #1 position for an unprecedented second time -- in two years. The Twist was also number one on September 26, 1960.
1974 - Super Bowl VIII (at Houston): The Dolphins win their second straight Super Bowl, by defeating the Minnesota Vikings 24 to 7. Larry Csonka was the MVP and tickets were $15.00.
1982 - Air Florida Flight 90, a Boeing 737, attempted to take off from Washington’s National Airport in one of the worst blizzards in history. Ice had built up on the wings of the jetliner as it waited its turn to take off, preventing it from gaining altitude. After crashing into the 14th Street Bridge, the plane fell into the Potomac River. 74 of the 79 people on the aircraft were killed in the accident. Four people on the bridge were killed.
The City of Etowah currently has several job openings, both full-time and part-time opportunities. If you are interested in any of the following positions, please visit our website, cityofetowahtn.com in the “employment section” and apply online in the ease of your own home. We offer full benefit packages for all full-time positions. Part-time personnel automatically receive a free membership to our Community Center facility during their time of employment and we also offer 401K/457 retirement plans to all employees, full and part-time.

**Full-time Positions:**
- (2) On-Call Sanitation Worker
- (1) Sanitation Worker II/CDL Operator
- (2) Patrol Officer
- (1) Codes Enforcement Officer

**Part-Time Positions:**
- (2) Clerical Assistant
- (6) Seasonal Camp Counselor
- (4) Concession Stand Worker

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**Obituaries**

♦ **William Neal “Bill” Harper**, age 57, of Newport News, VA, and formerly of Etowah, died January 2nd at Riverside Regional Hospital in Newport News. He was a designer for Gibbs and Cox Maritime Solutions based in Newport News, and Strom International. A memorial service will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, January 18th at Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah.

♦ **Anna Mae Stone Studdard**, age 97, of Etowah, died Saturday. A funeral service and burial were held Sunday afternoon. Bordwine Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

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**BEAUTIFICATION AWARD**

The Beautification Award committee selected 2 properties as winners for the month of January. Congratulations to Stuart Mason, owner of Universal Travel, located at 116 N. White Street and Glen and Liz Ingram, owners of 118 N. White Street.

They both received funds from the Façade Improvement Grant as well as invested their personal dollars to transform the corner of Hornsby/White Street in Downtown Athens! The award is presented by Main Street and Keep McMinn Beautiful and sponsored by Stuart McKinney of The Trophy House. Pictured in the photo above: (L-R) Lisa Dotson (Main Street Director), Tina Hammonds, Stuart Mason (Universal Travel), Liz and Glen Ingram (Property owners) Stephanie Myers (Keep McMinn Beautiful).

The photo below shows the new renovations to the buildings.

*(Photos provided by Lisa Dotson)*