

Honoring One of the Fallen

The body of the Chattanooga police officer who was killed by a hit-and-run driver last Saturday night is back home in Cincinnati. 38-year-old rookie Officer Nicholas Galinger was killed when he was checking a manhole cover that had water flowing out of it. Officer Galenger's body was escorted by police along I-75 from Chattanooga to Cincinnati on Wednesday. All along the way, local police and fire departments lined the I-75 exit ramps and bridges to show their respects. Here in Athens, Athens firefighters parked a hook and ladder truck with an American flag waving from it on one of the I-75 bridges. (Photo by City of Athens)



Community News You Can Use

✓ Team SEB invites you to enjoy a night of fun and dancing at the first annual Parent and Child Dance benefitting the Meigs County Relay for Life. It will be held this Saturday from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at Meigs Middle School. The cost is \$10 per ticket. Call Whitney Weir at 506-0884 for ticket information.

✓ The McMinn County Historical Society meets this Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Blue Room of the McMinn Courthouse. Fred Underdown, the Historical Society president, will give an update of what is planned for the county's bicentennial celebration and the Forgotten History of People, Places, and Things that have been forgotten or destroyed. The public is invited to attend.

✓ The John Studdard Memorial Gospel Concert will be held tonight at 7:30 at the Gem Theater in Etowah. Singers include Just Us and The Farm Hands. The Cousin Jake Tullock Bluegrass Festival will be Saturday night at 7. The performers include Mountain Cove and Darrell Scott. Tickets are \$25 to both shows. **COMING UP:**

Sunday, March 10th - Daylight Saving Time begins March 20th, 5:58 p.m. EDT - Spring begins. 20 days TO GO!

THURSDAY'S MARKET REPORT: The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 69 points or 0.3% to 25,916. The Standard & Poor's 500 Index was down 8 points or 0.3% to 2,784, and the NASDAQ Composite Index was down 22 points or 0.3% to 7,533.



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Obituaries

• Leonard Boyd Parrott, Jr., age 65, of Decatur, died Wednesday at his home. No services are scheduled at this time. Bowers Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

♦ MORE COMMUNITY NEWS:

✓ The 57th annual banquet of the Etowah Area Chamber of Commerce will be held next Tuesday, March 5th, at 7 p.m. at McMinn Central High School. (Silent Auction begins at 6) Tickets are 30 each.

✓ Matt Cordell will appear at TWU on March 9th at 7:30 P.M. It is a fundraiser for the Meigs County High School Tennis and Volleyball Teams. Tickets are \$15 and reserve seating is \$20. Contact Danny Wilson at (423) 381-5470 for more information.

✓ The McMinn County 4H Clover Bowl contest will be held at McMinn County High School on Monday, March 11th. It is a competitive event for 4th-8th graders, testing their knowledge of Tennessee history, 4H, agriculture, family and consumer science. Registration starts at 4:30 p.m. for 4th and 5th grades and registration begins at 5:45 p.m. for grades 6, 7 and 8.

✓ The Smoking Cessation Group meets the first Thursday of each month at Starr Regional Medical Center in Athens. Sessions begin at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 507-4557.

SO YOU THINK YOU KNOW EVERYHING? A goldfish has a memory span of three seconds!

Church News & Events

- Alabaster Voices from Ringgold, GA, will sing during the 11 a.m. morning worship service this Sunday at First Christian Church, 7th Street and Ohio Avenue, in Etowah.

- Community Harvest Share at St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Etowah will be held this afternoon from 2:30 to 3. A seed exchange will be held March 16. Bring seeds to trade if you have them. St. Paul's will also observe Etowah Community Appreciation with a service and dinner this Sunday at 11 a.m. A meal will follow the service. The church is located at 425 8th St., Etowah.

- The TWU Fine Arts Department will present Ubi Caritas, a spring choral concert by the Tennessee Wesleyan Chorale, this Sunday at 6 p.m. at Allen Memorial United Methodist Church on Decatur Pike. Admission is free.

- St. Mark A.M.E. Zion Church, 707 N. Jackson St., Athens, will have a Men's Day Breakfast March 9th at 9 a.m. Dr. Vant Hardaway will be the guest speaker. Tickets are \$5.

- Wesley Memorial UMC in Etowah will have Ash Wednesday services at 7 p.m. on March 6th. The church is located at 923 Ohio Avenue.

- The Kingsmen will be singing at 6 p.m. on Sunday, March 10th, at Solid Rock Baptist Church, 4975 Highway 11, Calhoun.

- The Chuck Wagon Gang will be singing at the Clay Hill Baptist Church on Saturday, March 2nd at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

