

City of Covington Newsletter
Highlights from the week of
June 20 – 24, 2016



Barrie Foster, Director of the Tipton County Veterans Museum, taught a Monet class on June 18 at the facility at 751 Bert Johnston Avenue. Above (L) Ms Foster used a slide show to inform and engage the class in “A Visual Voyage: The Life and Art of Claude Monet”. The final products are proudly displayed by participants (R). The next art class will be June 25 - “Everyday Art for Everyday Folk; how to incorporate discarded or reclaimed objects into artwork.” by Frank Lilly, folk artist & Vietnam Veteran. Scroll down for more information on Frank Lilly and other classes at the museum.



Mayor Hanson thanked Dr. Tracey Johnson of the Boys and Girls Club of the Hatchie River region for the beautiful artwork children at the club painted. The children created the paintings in response to a challenge by Board of Directors President-elect Joey Caldwell when he asked them to paint where and how they experience God. Caldwell passed this challenge on after receiving it from his pastor and was most impressed with the talent and insight of the kids’ artwork.



A called meeting took place on Monday, June 20, of the Finance and Administration Committee to discuss increased insurance costs for the employees of the City of Covington. Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn distributed a packet she had prepared with projected figures for insurance costs and how these might be offset by employees taking on some of the responsibility for their health insurance coverage. She had worked up projections if employees paid 2%, 2.5%, or 3% of their personal health insurance coverage while considering a variety of coverage plans. They went through the document page by page and she explained to committee members and all others present how this would impact the City's budget.

Alderman Mac McGowan stated while he feels this is something we will have to do, considering rising costs, he doesn't see how we can put it into effect this year. He asked for this to be a scheduled event so people can be informed and make necessary plans to adjust for the change. McGowan also suggested the committee further analyze employee insurance plans and look for other ways to save, such as cutting amounts provided for deductibles.

Alderman John Edwards stated that salaries, fuel, and the costs for everything are higher than they were 20 years ago and we can expect this trend to continue, so we need to either be prepared to pay more, cut benefits, or share costs. Alderman Drew Glass asked if the City of Covington has ever charged employees for health insurance. Human Resources Director Tiny Barton stated she doesn't recall employees ever paying for health insurance since she has been with the City. Alderman Jere Hadley stated he has no recollection of this, either, and there aren't many places that have employee insurance packages as attractive as ours.

McGowan motioned that the discussions on employees sharing insurance costs be put on the September Finance and Administration Committee agenda for discussion for the 2017-18 budget year. Drew Glass seconded and the motion passed with a vote of 5-2.

On Tuesday, June 21, there was a called meeting of the Board of Mayor and Alderman in the Board Room at City Hall for the second reading of the proposed 2016-17 budget. After going through a few items of old business, Mayor Hanson addressed the Board by stating that Fire Chief Michael Naifeh and Police Chief Buddy Lewis have made it clear on multiple occasions that they have requested additional personnel. Those additions will cost the City roughly \$240,000. However, Naifeh believes he will save a minimum of \$44,000 in overtime with additional personnel, and most likely more than that. Cuts have been made up and down the budget, particularly in Parks and Recreation, to provide additional monies for improving safety in the City. The current budget proposal reflects about a \$37,000 surplus. After these savings, Hanson proposed using approximately \$100,000 from the General Fund Balance for the purpose of hiring the requested personnel for fire and police. He stated he has researched this and consulted with others and understands it is a viable option that has been used before, and would still leave over \$1.7 million in the fund balance. The new salaries will be sustained because we will pay off our fire stations this year, leaving those funds to cover the new salaries. Chief Naifeh asked for the additional staff for the safety of the public as well as our own fire fighters. The increase in staffing will also bring us closer to NFPA standards and ISO recommendations.

The CFD hasn't added staff since 1996. Mayor Hanson went on to state that he is optimistic sales tax revenues will continue to rise and Alderman Jere Hadley reiterated that if sales tax collections keep going up, this will overshadow the approx. \$100,000 used from the fund.

Alderman John Edwards asked if these projections are in writing, and Mayor Hanson referred to the handout Chief Naifeh brought forth last Tuesday, which had the overtime savings projections in writing. Alderman Mac McGowan stated that Covington CFD is 6 personnel short of what MTAS recommends for adequate staffing, but pointed out that we have submitted a "SAFER" grant for additional personnel there. Chief Naifeh replied that it (SAFER Grant) is a stand-alone grant and if we do create the three additional positions he is asking for, it will have no effect on that grant. McGowan said he is opposed to hiring additional firemen until hearing from the grant, which most likely will be at some time in October, but said he guesses he will vote for using monies from the fund balance as proposed by the Mayor.

Edwards asked why the rush at this time for the additional personnel in fire and police. Hanson said the two chiefs have come to him and before this Board multiple times asking for these additional positions to adequately serve and protect the citizens of Covington and he trusts their judgement. Chief Naifeh added that there is also a savings component for going ahead and approving the positions in this year's budget now. The City of Jackson is offering required training for fire staff at \$500 per person. Regular State costs for such training is usually about \$3500 per person. It would save the City roughly \$9000 in training costs to get these people in place and trained through Jackson's offer. Both Naifeh and Lewis addressed the Board about the strains of their departments working under staffed. Mayor Hanson asked for further discussion or questions, and then called for a vote. The motion passed with a 4-2 vote. Alderman Bommer stated she could not agree to the budget proposal at this time because it did not include increased donations from the City to the Boys and Girls Club operating in her district. The Third and final reading will take place at the Board of Mayor and Alderman meeting Tuesday night, June 28 at Covington City Hall.

Immediately after the called Board meeting, there was a called Finance and Administration committee meeting to discuss the proposal by the Association for Preservation of African American History and Culture in Tipton County (APAAHCTC) to assist them in purchasing the Dr. & Mrs. Price home on North Main Street for the purpose of making it an African American History Museum. Mayor Hanson distributed packet of information that included a letter from APAAHCTC to Tipton County Veterans Museum Director Barrie Foster dated 2014. This contained a request for the museum to be operated by the current Tipton County Museum system and had rough figures for restoring the home and bringing it up to current Codes. Museum Director Foster indicated a desire to manage the museum as an addition to and under the umbrella and operating procedures of the Tipton County Veterans Museum, but does not have the staff nor resources to participate in the renovation process.

As requested, Mayor Hanson did research the viability of using monies from the Artesian Fund to help the group purchase the property. This (Artesian) fund is a restricted account set up and managed outside of the City. He conferred with Mattie Cushman of Community Development Partners, LLC, and she determined this is a viable option. Monies from this fund cannot be used for salaries or the addition of personnel, however. Hanson has asked for an inspection of the home by Sammy Beasley (CFD) and Lessie Fisher (Codes Dept.) and has also requested an updated title search and estimated market value. Alderman Jere Hadley asked for an appraised value of the home and Hanson stated its tax value is listed at \$99,700. Alderman Mac McGowan stated that the home is a great location for such a museum, but it is deteriorating and something needs to be done before it gets into worse shape. The home is on a list for the National Registry of Historical Places and cannot be torn down. McGowan asked for projected figures for the next 5 years so we can have a ball-park figure on how much it will cost to purchase the property, how much it will cost to renovate it and bring it up to current standards, how much it will cost to add this to our current museum's operating budget, and how those costs will be divided.

Alderman Drew Glass asked if the property is listed with a realtor. The property is privately owned and privately listed at this time. Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn stated we will be under strict guidelines if we use some of the Artesian Fund and an appraisal and title search must be completed. Glass asked if there has been any discussions with the County to redevelop the North Main district, and City Attorney Rachel Witherington stated that she is working with Codes Enforcement Officer Lessie Fisher to focus on this area, which is a main thoroughfare to our square.

Alderman John Edwards made a motion to allow Attorney Witherington to move forward with the title search and appraisal values for both the Price home and adjacent property, as this area will be needed for parking. Glass seconded the motion and it passed. Alderwoman Bommer abstained from voting noting that she is deeply involved in the museum project and doesn't want there to be a conflict of interest.

McGowan motioned for projections to be submitted to the committee for the purchase of the area and 5-year ongoing operating expenses. Edwards seconded the motion. Hanson stated that it is his understanding that the Museum Board and APAAHCTC will also raise funds for the ongoing operations at such a facility. Alderwoman Bommer agreed and stated they will do whatever it takes to make this happen. The motion passed with Bommer abstaining from the vote on this motion, as well.

Alderman Edwards motioned for Codes Enforcement Officer Lessie Fisher to look into extending the Covington Historical District through North Main Street to the intersection of US Highway 51. This area contains Barlow Funeral Home, the oldest Black owned and operated funeral home in Tennessee, and Caanan Baptist Church, which is on the National Historic Registry. Glass seconded the motion. This motion passed with McGowan abstaining from the vote.

With no more motions or discussions, the meeting was adjourned.



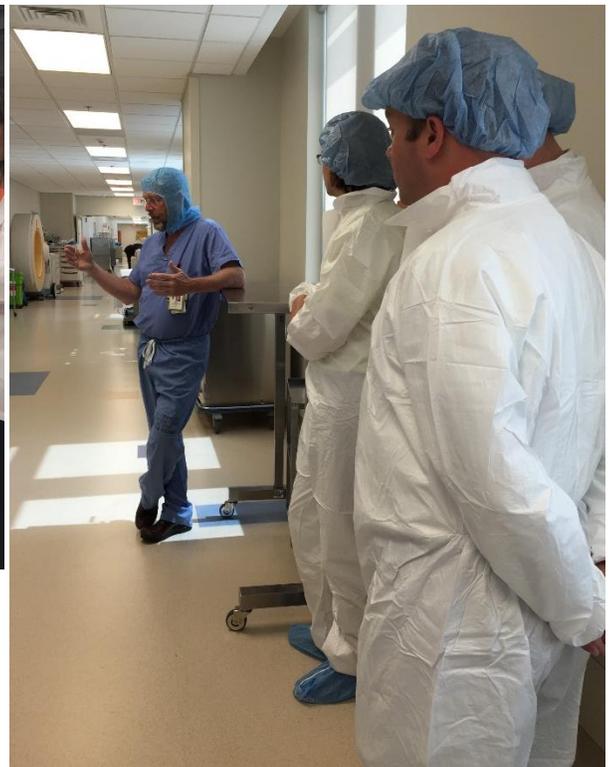
Thirty participants graduated from UT Martin's WestStar Leadership Program Tuesday night in Jackson, TN. Mayor Justin Hanson of The City of Covington and Joel Howard of USDA Rural Development represented Tipton County in this year's class. WestStar benefits the people of West Tennessee first and foremost as a result of the knowledge, commitment, excitement, and enthusiasm graduates have for helping the region achieve its potential. The leadership program's vision is that they will be the premier leadership program in the U.S. that establishes an elite group of people bonded by their commitment to realizing the educational, economic and social development of West Tennessee. [Learn more about UT Martin's WestStar Leadership Program by clicking here.](#)



Covington Fire Chief Michael Naifeh overlooks CFD personnel during a demonstration and evaluation of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA). During this evaluation period, they will wear and test the SCBAs before the bidding process to help determine which may be the best choice. The department will purchase 24 of the devices as part of the latest Assistance to Fire Fighter Grant they received.



Mayor Hanson was part of the Lebohnur 101 Tour held at the children's hospital Thursday. Along with about 20 others, he learned about the history of the facility and the many services they now provide. Above and right, the group was educated about the emergency procedures and surgery center.





While on the [LeBonheur](#) tour, Mayor Hanson found these [Go Lucy Go](#) volunteers delivering meals to the families who were staying with their children. This is one of the many helpful and supportive services the Go Lucy Go foundation provides.



Mayors, attorneys, other city leaders, educators, LeBonheur employees, and business people from Memphis and all around the Mid-South enjoyed behind-the-scenes tour provided by the LeBonheur 101 Tour. It is recommended for your organization so you will learn just how lucky we are to have such a gem in our area. Founded in 1952 with a focus on polio, LeBonheur is a 255-bed comprehensive treatment facility that serves children regardless of their ability to pay. It is also a teaching hospital in partnership with the University of Tennessee Medical School and St. Jude. Their four missions are treatment, teaching, discovery and child advocacy. [They are ranked by US News and World Report as one of the Best Children's Hospitals in the Nation.](#) Tours are provided monthly.



Covington Utility Crews installed a new Cathodic Rectifier bed on Douglas Street to protect our Natural Gas pipes from corrosion. This is a technique used to protect metal surfaces by making them the cathode of an electrochemical cell. This becomes the “sacrificial metal” which may corrode over time instead of the protected metal pipes. The department is being proactive by protecting the pipes against being compromised.

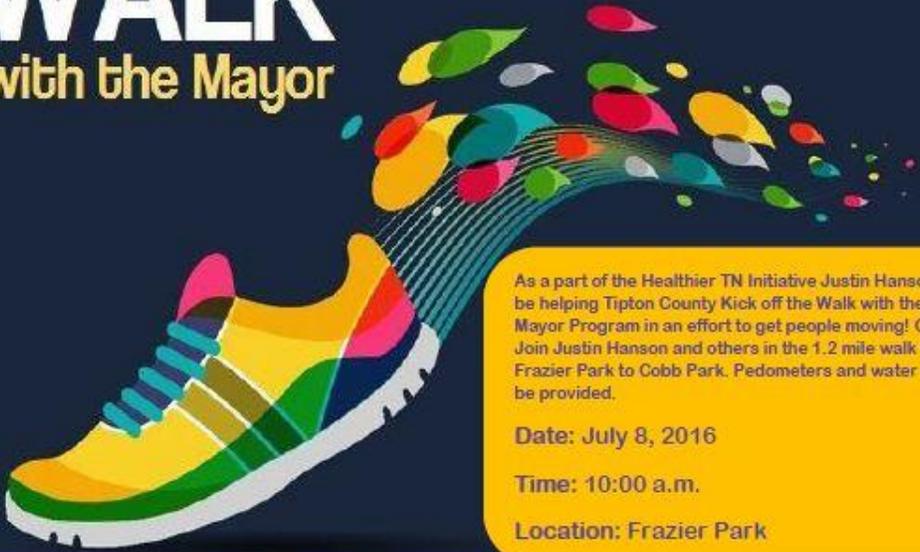
Dates to Remember...

- **June 25 – FEED THE NEED – 10:00 – 4:00 at The Boys and Girls Club, 412 Alston Circle, Covington. SPECIAL PRESENTATION AT NOON – don’t miss it!**
- **June 25 - “Everyday Art for Everyday Folk; how to incorporate discarded or reclaimed objects into artwork.” by Frank Lilly, folk artist & Vietnam Veteran – Tipton County Museum – 476-0242**
- **June 29 – LIFE BLOOD at Southern Lawn & Pest – 157 Holly Grove Road – 901-476-8188**
- **July 4 – All City offices closed. ENJOY YOUR JULY 4TH WEEKEND!**
- **July 08 – Walk with the Mayor – see information below and join in as part of the Healthier Tennessee Initiative**
- **July 12 – Veteran of the Month reception at the Tipton County Veterans Museum – 6:30 pm. July Veteran of the month is Ridley Clifton.**

Good News...

- [Way to go Tennessee!](#)
- [LeBonheur recognized by US News and World Report](#)
- [GO LUCY GO](#)

WALK with the Mayor



As a part of the Healthier TN Initiative Justin Hanson will be helping Tipton County Kick off the Walk with the Mayor Program in an effort to get people moving! Come Join Justin Hanson and others in the 1.2 mile walk from Frazier Park to Cobb Park. Pedometers and water will be provided.

Date: July 8, 2016

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Frazier Park

HUNGER STOP CAFE

Tipton County School's First Mobile Summer Feeding Site

Locations: Sunrise Apartments (1850 Simonson), Tatlock Apartments (Tatlock Street), Covington Housing Apartments (Shoaf Street)



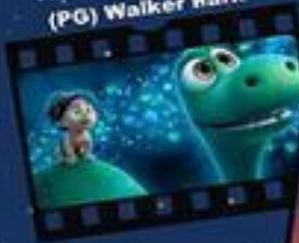
JUNE 13, 2016 - JULY 29

Sunrise: 10:00 am - 11:15 am
 Tatlock: 11:35 am - 12:00 noon
 Covington Housing: 12:20 pm - 12:45 pm

Summer CINEMA Series

FREE! — All Movies Start @ 8pm, Bring your own blankets & chairs
Rain Out Dates: The Friday Following Original Event Date

Friday May 13th
The Good Dinosaur
(PG) Walker Park



Friday July 8th
Minions (PG)
Nancy Lane Park



Friday Oct 14th
Hocus Pocus (PG)
Nancy Lane Park



Friday June 10th
Aladdin (G)
Nancy Lane Park



Friday Sept 9th
Star Wars (PG-13)
Walker Park

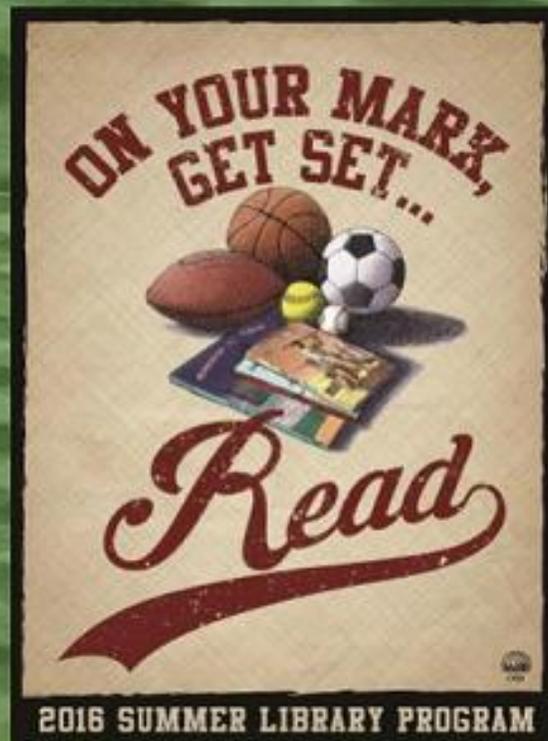
Event Contact: Cassi Yates
901-837-5300
cyates@townofatoka.com

ATOKA
Parks & Recreation

Free movies in the park, all summer long!!!

Call 901-837-5300 for more information

TIPTON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY'S 2016 SUMMER READING PROGRAM



June 1st – July 31st

**On Your Mark, Get Set...READ -- Ages 11 &
Under**

Get in the Game READ – Ages 12-17

Exercise your mind READ – Ages 18 & Up

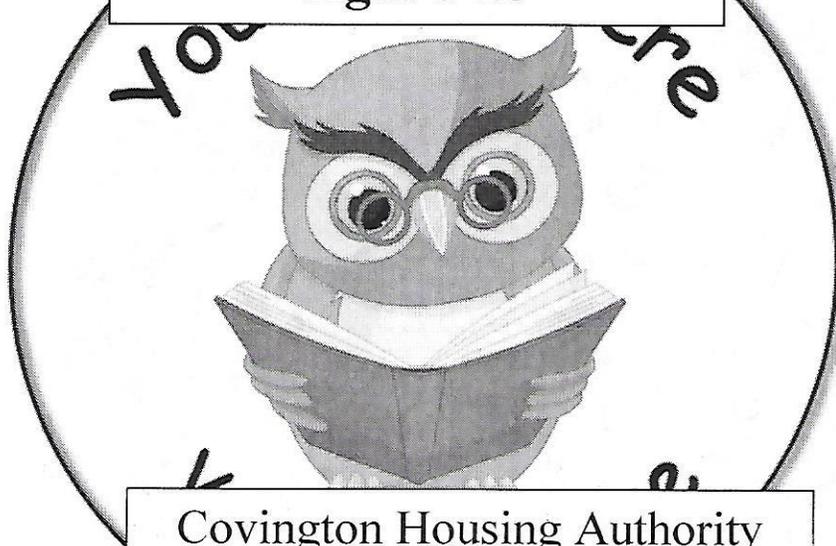
Weekly programs for all ages!

Program schedules are available at the library or by visiting our Facebook page
www.facebook.com/tiptoncountylibrary

Tipton County Public Library
3149 Hwy 51 S. Bldg C
Covington, Tennessee 38019
476-8289
tiptonpl@tiptonco.com

**Free Summer Reading
Program**

Ages 6-18



Covington Housing Authority
Community Building

706 Jackson St.

Saturday's 10:00-11:30 pm

Please Send Your Children

Volunteers Needed

Training Available

Contact- Marilyn Barbee

901-592-9139

The Historic Ruffin Theater



-MAY-

High School Musical

-JUNE-

Steel Magnolias

-JULY-

Mary Poppins

-AUGUST-

Ms. Senior Tipton County Beauty Pageant

-SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER-

The Rocky Horror Picture Show

"Movies will make you famous; Television will make you rich; But theater will make you good."

— Terrence Mann



REGISTER TO VOTE
EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT

AUGUST 4, 2016

**THE STATE PRIMARY/COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION
THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IS
JULY 5, 2016. YOU MAY COME TO THE ELECTION
COMMISSION OFFICE AT 113 EAST CHURCH ST,
COVINGTON OR YOU CAN REGISTER BY MAIL. YOUR
REGISTRATION MUST BE POSTMARKED JULY 5TH.
EARLY VOTING WILL BEGIN JULY 15TH THROUGH
JULY 30TH. THERE ARE 2 LOCATIONS TO VOTE
EARLY, THE ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICE AND
MUNFORD CITY HALL IN MUNFORD, TN.**



EVERY VOTE COUNTS!!

Free Legal Clinics.....Covington First Presbyterian Church....11:00 – 1:00.

1-844-HELP4TN

- July 23
- September 24



Cabela's King Kat Tournament Trail to hit the waters of The Mississippi River at Covington, Tennessee

The Cabela's King Kat Tournament Trail will hit the waters of The Mississippi River at Covington, Tennessee August 6, 2016. This is the opportunity for local catfish anglers to compete for cash, prizes and a chance to advance to the Cabela's King Kat North and South Championship. This year's North Championship will be held September 23 & 24, 2016 on the Ohio River at Henderson, Kentucky. The South Championship will be held September 29 & October 1, 2016 on the Cumberland River (Old Hickory Lake) at Gallatin, Tennessee. Be sure to check out our website at: www.kingkatusa.com and like our Cabela's King Kat Facebook Page. Both sites contain new and exciting information on our events along with special information for catfish anglers everywhere.

Registration

Late registration will be held Friday, August 5 the day before competition at Homer Skelton Dodge, Jeep & Chrysler Dealership, 7661 US 51 N, Millington, TN from 5-7 pm. Captains Meeting/Seminar will follow at 7pm. Must be a member of the King Kat Association to fish this event. A one year membership is \$25.00. To pre-register go on line to: www.kingkatusa.com or call (502) 384-5924.

Legal waters for the event will be: Anglers may fish the Mississippi River from the I-155 Bridge, South to the I-40 Bridge at Memphis.

Weigh-In Site

The tournament weigh-in will be held at Duvall Landing, Loon Valley Road, Drummonds, TN. Tournament hours are 6:30 AM until 3:00 PM. All anglers must be in weigh-in line by 4:00 PM with a 5 fish limit per team. To help preserve the sport only live fish will be weighed in and all fish will be released after the tournament. For a complete list of rules visit our website at: www.kingkatusa.com or phone Cabela's King Kat Headquarters at: (502) 384-5924.

Sponsor and Host Lodging for this Event

The Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce would like to welcome all Cabela's King Kat anglers and their guest to the area and hope they take the opportunity to enjoy the many attractions in the area. For more information on this area call: (901) 476-9727 or visit their website at: www.covington-tiptoncochamber.com.

Host lodging for the event will be:

Days Inn, 80 Deena Cove, Covinton, TN. For Reservations call: (901) 475-1177.

Quality Inn & Suites, 873 Hwy. 51 N., Covington, TN. For reservations call: (901) 476-8561.

NATIONAL SPONSORS:

Cabela's, Alumacraft, Adventure Products EGO Nets, RigRap, B 'n' M Poles, Minn Kota, Mercury Marine, Mustad Hooks, Driftmaster, Gamma Line, Humminbird Electronics, World Fishing Network – WFN, Rippin' Lips, Keep Alive, Cat River Anchors, Sunsect Sunscreen & Insect Repellent, Humminbird Lakemaster Maps, Digital EFX Wraps, Tentology, Crown Trophy and Gill Rainwear.

Farmer's Market

Open: Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays!
8:00 am until 2:00 pm



The Farmer's Market is located under the water tower just off the square in Covington.

**The Tipton County Veterans Council and the Tipton County Museum, Veterans Memorial
and Nature Center**

Veteran of the Month for June, 2016

Victor Johnson

Victor Johnson was born on April 27, 1957 in Covington, Tennessee. He spent his childhood in Tipton County, and graduated from Covington High School in 1975. During high school, he spent two years working at the Charms Company as a machine operator. In August of 1975 he joined the U.S. Army in Memphis and enjoyed a fruitful 20-year military career, retiring in August of 1995.

He spent 16 years on various assignments out of Germany. He was a Battalion Maintenance Supervisor with assignments in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. He provided tactical contingency C2 Communication to the U.S. Army Europa (UDAREUR), European Command (EUCOM), and North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) missions within the EUCOM and CENTCOM area of operation. During his time in Berlin, he was assigned to a tank company where he was responsible for equipment maintenance. During the war in Iraq, he was responsible for the training, welfare, professional development, discipline, and combat readiness of 63 soldiers. His quick response and medical skills saved the lives of two soldiers during Operation Desert Storm. Victor enjoyed his time in the Army and was awarded numerous accommodations including two Meritorious Service Medals, four Army Commendation Medals, two Army Achievement Medals, six Army Good Conduct Medals, a National Defense Service Medal, an Army of Occupation Medal, a Southwest Asia Service Medal with three Bronze Service Stars, a Kuwait Liberation Medal, an Army Service Ribbon, four Overseas Service Ribbons, a Driver & Mechanic Badge, and a Rifle M16 Expert Qualification Badge.

Following his retirement, Victor enjoyed a diverse career in the private sector, working as a machine operator for Lydale Manufacturing in Covington; Warehouse Worker/Supervisor for AAA Cooper Transportation in Memphis and Atlanta, Georgia; a licensed real estate agent for Tate Realty in Memphis; and a line technician for Unilever in Covington.

An elder at Canaan Baptist Church in Covington, he has 6 children and 13 grandchildren. His brother Roger, who lives in San Antonio, Texas, and shares his deep religious faith, is also a church elder. Alderwoman Minnie Bommer nominated Victor for Veteran of the Month.

VETERANS – Clinics are held WEEKLY to provide you with information – click [here](http://www.tiptonco.com/veterans_services/index.php) to learn more:
http://www.tiptonco.com/veterans_services/index.php

Small Businesses... Are You Interested in Government Contracting as a source of revenue?

Call the TSBDC office at Dyersburg State Community College today (731) 286-3205, if you would like to attend this Procurement Match-Making event in Clarksville, TN. TSBDC at DSCC, is arranging a **group day-trip to the event for small business owners**. Deadline to reserve your seat for the trip is July 8th. Free conference, free charter bus transportation provided by TSBDC, and lots of great potential for business connections.

Dutch-treat on your meals.



SAVE THE DATE!

Tennessee/Kentucky Procurement & Matchmaking Conference

Thursday, July 28th
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM cst.

The U.S. Small Business Administration and APSU's Clarksville Small Business Development Center invite you to attend panel discussions with key purchasing officers from federal, state and local government. Please join in on one-on-one matchmaking sessions with federal, state and local government representatives and prime contractors.

SBA

Austin Peay State University
601 College Street
Morgan University Center
Clarksville, TN 37044

All SBA programs and services are extended to the public on a nondiscriminatory basis.

Maleia M. Evans, MBA

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Tipton County Museum, Veterans Memorial & Nature Center

751 Bert Johnston Avenue
Covington, TN 38019 (901) 476-0242



Frank Lilly Exhibits Artwork and Will Lecture at the Tipton County Museum in Covington!

Frank Lilly's artwork is now on display at the Tipton County Museum in Covington through June 25, 2016. Frank is a native of Clarksdale, MS, and studied at the Memphis College of Art in the 1960's. It wasn't until Frank was in his mid-50s that his work was publicly exhibited.

Though he painted continuously throughout his adult life, most of his time was spent making a living for himself and his family. But even at his jobs, most notably the years he spent as operations foreman at Memphis' Mid-South Coliseum, Frank would find scraps of signs, posters and other materials and add them to his paintings. After years of creating art work that he would either give away or keep for himself, his friends and family encouraged him to approach the Universal Art Gallery in Memphis where his work was then displayed to the general public for the first time in his life.

Today he continues painting and creating mixed media pieces for a wider audience. He is particularly proud of a one man show entitled "Look How Far God Has Brought Us" at Mt. Sinai Baptist church in February 2008 as part of Black History Month. As a true folk artist, his work clearly illustrates many events from his life and times from the cotton fields to the march Martin Luther King led in support of the Memphis garbage workers' union with their prominent "I am a Man" banners. His work can also be whimsical with titles like "Get Me Some Religion, Join the Baptist Church, Become a Preacher So I Don't Have to Work." His paintings and mixed media pieces may be impressionistic but never abstract. As Frank puts it, "My paintings tell stories that make statements people can connect with." Frank's artwork is featured at the Center for Southern Folklore in Memphis. Frank is a Vietnam Veteran.

Frank will be presenting "Everyday Art for Everyday Folk: how to incorporate discarded or reclaimed objects into artwork" on Saturday, June 25 from 10 until 11:30 a.m. at the Tipton County Museum in Covington. For more information please call (901) 476-0242.



BEAT THE BLOODSUCKERS

Mosquito Control Awareness Week

June 26 – July 2, 2016



Donate blood any day during the week of June 26 – July 2, 2016 at any Lifeblood donor center.

Use the Donor code: G-062 for Mosquito Joe.

On Wednesday, June 29 the mobile donor bus will be in our parking lot at

157 Holly Grove Rd. in Covington from 11 am – 2 pm

PLEASE CALL 901-881-5406 TO SIGN UP TO BEAT THE BLOODSUCKERS!



The Tipton
County Museum,
Veterans Memorial & Nature
Center

Presents:

2016 Artist in Residence Peggy Kunkel

Artist in Residence Peggy Kunkel is a calligrapher with over 25 years of experience and has taught calligraphy extensively throughout the Memphis area. She is a past President of the Memphis Calligraphy Guild and is a member of the Tipton Art League. Her exhibition, "This and That", is on display in the Conference room of the Tipton County Museum. She and her husband Keith live in Covington.

- March 22 **Reception:** Come out and meet Peggy! 6:30 p.m., **Free**
- June 4 **Lecture:** "Rock, Paper, Stone, plus a Demon" The History of Calligraphy, 10 – 11:30 a.m., Free to Members, \$5 Nonmembers
- July 23 **Workshop:** "Improve Your Handwriting", 10 a.m. – Noon,
\$10 Museum Members, \$15 Nonmembers
- August 13 **Workshop:** "Celtic Knots Simplified", 10 a.m. – Noon
\$10 Museum Members, \$15 Nonmembers
- Oct. 27 **Host:** "Museum Merchant Gala", Meet local artists, 6 – 8 p.m.,
Free and Open to the Public
- Nov. 19 **Lecture:** "The St. John's Bible", The 1st handwritten, illuminated Bible in 500 years, 10 – 11:30 a.m., Free to Members, \$5 Nonmembers
- Sept. 6, 20, 27 **Calligraphy Class:** "Italic Hand", Tuesday nights, 6 – 8 p.m.
- Oct. 4 & 18 \$60 Museum Members, \$65 Nonmembers for the 5 week class

Tipton County Museum, Veterans Memorial & Nature Center

751 Bert Johnston Avenue

Covington, TN 38019 (901) 476-0242

Summer Lecture Series 2016

Saturday mornings in June

10 – 11:30 a.m.,

Free to Museum Members

\$5.00 General Public

- June 4 “Rock, Paper, Stone, plus a Demon; the History of Calligraphy.” Peggy Kunkel, Artist in Residence
- June 11 “World’s Columbian Exposition of 1893; American Ingenuity on Display Then and Now.” Nancy Fosheé, Award Winning Author
- June 18 “A Visual Voyage: The Art & Life of Claude Monet.” Tipton County Museum Director Barrie Foster (Optional art class, “Painting with Monet” to follow in the afternoon. Separate registration required.)
- June 25 “Everyday Art for Everyday Folk; how to incorporate discarded or reclaimed objects into artwork.” Frank Lilly, folk artist & Vietnam Veteran

Refreshments will be served.

Museum memberships start at \$25 and are available at the door.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!