

## Covington Car Show at Hit on the Square

Despite the intermittent rain, vintage cars and trucks lined the square last Saturday and people enjoyed the trip down memory lane at the first Covington Car Show. Sponsored by [Chuck Hutton Chevrolet](#) and coordinated with [Memphis Classic Chevy Club](#), the show was definitely a classic event with winners in multiple categories.



The Mayor's Choice Award was given in the Mayor's absence by his designee, Leah Gangaware (L). She selected this Buick GS 400, which was purchased at Covington Motors in December of 1968 and has been in the same family ever since. The car is currently owned by Mark Garrison (above) who is a 1985 CHS graduate.

Former Covington Alderman William "Ed" Timberlake (R) took home one of the many prizes awarded Saturday.

A special thanks goes out to Burt and Lynn Milam for organizing the event in Covington.



# BBQ FEST IN COVINGTON JUNE 1-2-3



The 45th Annual World's Oldest BBQ Cooking Contest June 1-3 Cobb-Parr Park in Covington - We would like to invite you to the 45th Annual World's Oldest Barbeque Cooking Contest in Historic Covington, Tennessee. Bring the entire family and enjoy live music, truck & tractor pull, lots of barbeque cooking (27 teams competing!) and *much more*. Events start on Thursday night June 1st and continue through Saturday night June 3rd when [Dr. Zarr's AMAZING FUNK MONSTERS](#) will be the closing act. There will be lots of things to do for everyone, so come to Covington and spend your weekend having FUN!



Tickets for Dr. Zarr's **Amazing Funk Monsters** are \$10. The concert will be held outside on Baltzer Field in Cobb-Parr Park starting at 7:00 Saturday night. Chairs and coolers are permitted in the park. **However, IF** there's inclement weather, the concert will be moved inside at the Covington Sportsplex. No coolers are permitted inside at this location. Concessions will be available.



# National Public Works Week Celebrated

Since 1960, [American Public Works Association \(APWA\)](#) has sponsored National Public Works Week. Across North America, our more than 29,000 members in the U.S. and Canada use this week to energize and educate the public on the importance of public works to their daily lives: planning, building, managing and operating at the heart of their local communities to improve everyday quality of life. This year's event is May 21 – 27.

APWA encourages public works agencies and professionals to take the opportunity to make their stories known in their communities. The [National Public Works Week How-To Guide](#) is one of several resources the Association makes available to agencies to assist them in the development and implementation of their own individual celebrations. The occasion is marked each year with scores of resolutions and proclamations from mayors and governors, as well.

The 2017 National Public Works Week Poster Theme is **“Public Works Connects Us”**. This year National Public Works Week celebrates the vital role public works plays in connecting us all together. As the cornerstone of civilization, public works provides, maintains, and improves the structures and services that assure a higher quality of life for our communities. Its streets, roads, bridges, and public transportation keep us linked together from coast to coast, and its clean water and sanitation services keep us healthy and allow our communities to grow and prosper. APWA proudly salutes and thanks the tens of thousands of public works professionals who work tirelessly throughout North America every day to strengthen the bond that keeps us all connected.



Covington Public Works Director David Gray took a moment to promote 2017 Public Works Week and thank his staff for jobs well done!



Mayor Hanson promotes Public Works Week and thanked the Covington Public Works Department for their diligence and hard work!

# Board of Mayor and Aldermen honored Public Works Director David Gray and 20 Year Employee Pam Elzie



David Gwinn, Jennifer Nolen, and Lessie Fisher look on (above) as Mayor Justin Hanson thanks Covington Public Works Director David Gray for the work of all employees in the public works department. Mayor Hanson presented a Proclamation of Appreciation to the department. The Board also recognized retiree Pam Elzie for her many years of service to the City of Covington in the Public Works Department (right).



The City of Covington honored the Public Works Department with a BBQ luncheon at Cobb-Parr Park and Clark Kent was voted Employee of the Year by his peers. Right, Mayor Hanson and David Gray congratulated Kent and presented him with a plaque.

The General Welfare – Public Safety Committee met for their regular monthly meeting at City Hall on May 23, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. with the following members present: Chairman Alderman Mac McGowan, Alderman C. H. Sullivan, Alderwoman Minnie Bommer, and Mayor Justin Hanson. Also present were: Fire Chief Michael Naifeh, Police Chief Buddy Lewis, Public Works Director David Gray, Personnel Director Tiny Barton, Code Enforcement/Building Official Lessie Fisher, Alderman Jere Hadley, Alderman John Edwards, and Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Alderman Mac McGowan.

Police Chief Buddy Lewis gave an update on the police building renovation. The bid opening for this renovation is May 25, 2017. Due to Corporate Dowell's promotion, who was the School Resource Officer for Covington schools, there will be a negotiation process with the Board of Education. Lewis went on to report there will be police presence at the BBQ Festival. City Beginning July 5, 2017, City Court will be held on Wednesdays at the Tipton County Justice Building at 3:00 p.m.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Minnie Bommer and seconded by Mayor Justin Hanson to accept the report from Police Chief Buddy Lewis. Motion passed.

Fire Chief Michael Naifeh reported there were five individuals testing for the Lieutenant position and there were three individuals who turned in letters of interest for driver. Engine 2 has motor damage and is in the shop. Engine 1 has been moved out to reserve status so response capabilities are not be affected. He reported preplanning of all commercial structures should be completed by July 1, 2017. Volunteer hours for the month of April were 260 hours. The run report is attached for the period April 24<sup>th</sup> through May 22<sup>nd</sup> showing 232 calls. The care report for May was attached to Naifeh's packet for the committee.

Motion was made by Mayor Justin Hanson and seconded by Alderwoman Minnie Bommer to accept the report from Fire Chief Michael Naifeh. Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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The Finance and Administration Committee met at City of Covington for a **Special Called Meeting on May 23, 2017** at 1:25 p.m. (immediately following regularly scheduled General Welfare and Public Safety Committee meeting) with the following members present: Chairman Alderman C H Sullivan, Mayor Justin Hanson, Aldermen: Drew Glass, Minnie Bommer, John Edwards, Jere Hadley, and Mac McGowan. Also present were: Code Enforcement/Building Official Lessie Fisher, Police Chief Buddy Lewis, Fire Chief Michael Naifeh, Parks and Recreation Director Joe Mack, Public Works Director David Gray, Personnel Director Tiny Barton, David Gwinn, and Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn.

Chairman Alderman C H Sullivan called meeting to order.

Personnel Director Tiny Barton gave an update on the CMC Building Renovation bids, and those bids were reviewed. Wagner General Contractors, Inc. and Sandstorm were recommended for approval and two contracts were presented for review. In addition to these contracts, there will be additional costs for which the City will receive quotes. The cost of the project will not exceed \$300,000.00. The date of completion for the renovation is October 3, 2017.

Motion was made by Alderman Jere Hadley and seconded by Alderman Mac McGowan to accept and recommend to the Board the approval for the contract with Wagner General Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$198,250.00 and the contract with Sandstorm in the amount of \$28,943.65. Motion passed. Alderwoman Minnie Bommer abstained from voting for Artesian Funds are being used for these contracts. She stated she

had discovered the Artesian Funds in request for the purchase of the Price Property for the African American Museum.

Department Heads discussed the 2017-18 budget. Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn discussed the three health insurance options that were proposed to the Finance & Administration Committee Meeting on May 16, 2017.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Minnie Bommer and seconded by Alderman Mac McGowan to renew the consideration of the health insurance coverage option and a new recommendation to approve the option consisting of the City funding 60% family health coverage and 90% employee coverage. Motion passed.

Mayor Justin Hanson reported the enterprise funds and nonprofit requests will be discussed at the next called Finance & Administration Committee Meeting on May 30, 2017. The renovation bids for the two buildings that will be used for the temporary locations of the Police Department will be an addition to the agenda.

Alderwoman Minnie Bommer stated the APAAHC-TC request should not be on the nonprofit requests. This is a request for a one time appropriation and this funding is requested from the Artesian Fund.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned with the next called meeting set to take place Tuesday, May 30.

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Another called meeting of the Finance and Administration Committee took place on May 30, 2017 in the Lower Level Conference Room at Covington City Hall. Those present were Chairman Alderman C.H. Sullivan, Alderwoman Minnie Bommer, Alderman John Edwards, Alderman Drew Glass, Alderman Jere Hadley, Alderman Mac McGowan, Mayor Justin Hanson, CFD Chief Michael Naifeh, CPD Chief Buddy Lewis, Human Resources Director Tiny Barton, Public Works Director David Gray, Lead Accountant Kristin Mathis, Parks and Rec Director Joseph Mack, Assistant to the Mayor Sara Gangaware, Codes Enforcement Officer Lessie Fisher, Kerry Overton, Gary Onorati, Echo Day, David Gwinn

Chairman Sullivan called meeting to order and asked Mayor Hanson to discuss police bids for upgrading facilities for temporary police department housing – including the former Tipton County Library on Church Street and the former First Baptist Church office on Main Street.

It was recommended to go with lowest bidder, which was Rose Construction in the amount of \$88,303.96 – and this does not include phones, internet, etc. Alderman McGowan motioned to accept Rose Construction's bid and was seconded by Alderman Glass. Motion passed with Alderwoman Bommer abstaining from voting.

Chairman Sullivan turned it back over to Mayor to continue discussion of budget. Mayor Hanson asked Public Works Director David Gray to go through his area of the budget. Gray stated there was \$100,000 in budget last year for maintenance and repairs, and he has lowered that request to \$65,000 this year. He is also asking for a replacement of a Ranger. Gray asked for some additional funding to bring specs up to code on hydrants throughout the city. Continuing, Gray asked for increases in sewer, in contracted services, which includes sludge hauling, and in sewage treatment plant maintenance and repairs. He explained these increases are needed in anticipation for repairs and services he feels will be needed within the next year.

Gray stated City of Covington has begun purchasing gas from Atmos Energy. The gas budget Director Gray presented is the same as last year.

Chairman Sullivan asked Mayor to lead introduction for nonprofit agencies requests. Accountant Kristin Mathis had prepared a large color-coded packet with nonprofit requests along with a spreadsheet explaining what organizations had asked for and what had been funded by the City last year. Hanson stated the current proposed budget is already approximately \$180,000 over, so he is concerned how the City will be able to

support nonprofits to the extent as requested. Hanson asked members to take a look at the forms each nonprofit completed, as all are the same, and indicate other financial information for each organization. All request forms were due on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Alderwoman Bommer stated the request of the APAACH-TC should not be considered at this time because they want their funding to come from another account (Artesian Finds) and not the general budget.

Alderman Glass pointed out the nearly \$180,000 overage in the proposed budget and stated that we still have needs in our departments. The current budget includes pay raises, increased insurance costs, and paying on the Flat Iron lawsuit what was just recently settled. Bommer once again stated the APAAHC-TC request should be pulled out of these requests. Chairman C.H. Sullivan suggested pulling that out for now and considering the other requests only. Glass reiterated his concerns that the budget is not balanced as is, and he feels strongly we should not move forward until we determine how to address that.

Alderman Edwards asked if we could spread the new police building funding out over 2 years rather than absorb it all this next year. Mayor Hanson stated that wouldn't make much difference, as it will still be a large amount, regardless, and the City will most likely make payments for several years. Chairman Sullivan suggested going through nonprofit requests one by one. Alderman McGowan suggested cutting nonprofit funding in half, particularly in light of the regular budget not being balanced at this time. Alderman McGowan motioned not to consider funding **any** organization that did not submit a request, and Alderman Glass seconded. That motion passed with Alderman Edwards voting no. Alderwoman Bommer stated that would immediately lower the requests by about \$15,000.

Chairman Sullivan suggested to go on and consider the requests that were submitted while committee is assembled. Hanson stated that he has researched nonprofit funding in neighboring municipalities and has discovered that Covington has historically been much more generous in supporting nonprofits than other cities in our area of our size.

After some discussion on how to proceed, Mayor's assistant Sara Gangaware suggested going through each application that was submitted and discuss their requests, their budgets, and their needs. Glass suggested moving forward in that manner – going through each application and discussing ideas, but not necessarily voting on an amount today.

Motion was made to not consider any applications that were turned in past the deadline of May 1st. Glass seconded. The vote was three to three – Hadley, McGowan, and Glass voted not consider applications that were submitted late, while Bommer, Edwards, and Sullivan voted not to eliminate applications that were submitted late. The committee moved on to look at each application independently for discussion.

Chairman Sullivan suggested calling another meeting next Tuesday after the regularly scheduled Public Works Committee meeting for further discussion of the nonprofit applications. Meeting was scheduled for June 6<sup>th</sup>.

Alderwoman Bommer made it clear the request from APAAHC-TC was for a one time appropriation from Artesian Funds and not from city's general fund. There being no further business, F & A Committee meeting was adjourned.

# DSCC Eagles Baseball in NJCAA JUCO World Series

Dyersburg State Community College held a grand “send - off” for their Eagles baseball team Tuesday, May 23, as the team set off to Grand Junction, CO, for the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) JUCO World Series May 27-June 3. The Eagles clinched the 2017 NJCAA East Central District Tournament May 19 giving the College a first-ever berth to the World Series.

The team started with a game against San Jacinto on Saturday, May 27. More information can be found at [www.dsc.edu](http://www.dsc.edu). [Click here for more JUCO information.](#)



Congratulations to  
DSCC Eagles Baseball  
and especially to our  
Tipton County players  
**Bently Jones,**  
**Kolton Childress,**  
**LaDarius Williams,**  
and  
**Jake Durham.**



# Charger Track Team at State Finals



Representing Covington High School Track Team at the State finals are De'Marcus Rudd, Donovan Dotson, Jhon-Wes Walker, T. J. Smith, and Patrick Grant. CONGRATULATIONS!



**RUN CHARGERS, RUN!**

## EVER THOUGHT ABOUT DEVELOPING A SMALL REAL-ESTATE PROJECT?

Emerging Developer Bootcamp is all about real-estate development at a pace and scale that strengthens neighborhoods. Over the next six months, Incremental Development Alliance, will be hosting training events for Memphians who want to build better neighborhoods, but do not know where to begin. Join us if you've ever thought about:

- Investing in your neighborhood.
- Rehabbing a neglected property.
- Simply using your talents to give back to the place you love.

## THINK BIG. BUILD SMALL.

The small stuff matters. Small-scale projects offer a huge opportunity to strengthen our neighborhoods.

Whether you already have a project idea or you're just curious about infill real estate development, you can benefit from the Emerging Developer Boot Camp. We have events designed for people at various stages in the development process, with each event building on the ones prior. Events are stretched out over several months to give attendees time to put their training to work in between.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### One Day Workshop - May 10th & July 15

The One-Day Workshop is a guide to project formation designed for a general audience. Through a series of presentations and exercises, attendees will get a high level overview of the whole development process and learn how to read their neighborhood for opportunity. Sessions include small scale real estate development strategy, finance for small projects, straightforward design, and introduction to the pro forma. Through presentations, hands-on practice, and networking with local like-minded people, this workshop is the first step to becoming a small developer yourself or creating a supportive ecosystem for small development in your city.

### Two Day Bootcamp - September 2017

Take action on an idea. This is an opportunity to pull out a map, pencil, paper, calculator, red pen, and get to work. If you've got a site in mind or a project in the hopper, the Boot Camp is a place to put it through the test on paper before any large sums of money get involved. At the Boot Camp, you'll have one-on-one time with seasoned small developers who can be a second set of eyes as you apply the foundational training from the One-Day Workshops to a real project. The Boot Camp includes presentations of a more how-to nature in addition to a practicum.

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THINK BIG  
DEVELOPER  
BUILD SMALL  
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## **DSCC Announces Spring 2017 Dean's List and Honor Roll**

Dr. Teri Maddox, Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) vice president for the College, recognizes students for their scholastic achievements each semester. **To be included on the dean's list**, a student must complete at least 12 semester hours of college level courses during the semester and earn a grade-point average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher for the semester. **Those making the dean's list for spring 2017 from Tipton County are:**

- **Atoka** - Austin Chapman, Erin Clark, Jennifer Gulotta, Briana Jensen, Tina Kemp, Emily Melton, Cortnee Montroy, Evan Reece, Kyley Rose, Jordan Tims and Karen Willis
- **Brighton** - Erin Billings, Rebecca Davis, Brandi Holland, Alex Johnson, Lauren Juarez, Merick Juarez, Haley Russell, Mallory Tapp, Jordan Weaver and Andrew Webb
- **Burlison** - Kristin Burgess, Sarah Davis and Amy Geary
- **Covington** - Zachary Cook, Chelsea Mize, Justin Rudd, Debra Sanders, Mary Grace Simonton and Hannah Turner
- **Drummonds** - Nathan Blurton, Benjamin Kirk, Kimberlie Roberts and Megan Wade
- **Mason** - Kolton Childress
- **Millington** - Christopher Cichon, Meghan Ervin, Matthew Miller, Dylan Piner, Whitney Roberts and Ashley Sweeney
- **Munford** - Kyle Barnes, Bailey Baugues, Abigail Garrett, David Hampton, Jenna Hein, Samantha Khattar, Scarlet Khattar, Abigail Lodholm, Emily Mecklin, Isaac Mecklin, Myra Moody, Sierra Schulz, Autumn Turner, Hannah Walden and Brianna Webb

Also honored for their achievement are those on the Dyersburg State honor roll. **To be included on the honor roll**, a student must complete a minimum of 12 semester hours of college level courses during the semester and earn a GPA between 3.0 – 3.49 during the semester. **Students named to the honor roll for the spring 2017 semester from Tipton County are:**

- **Atoka** - Coleton Arredondo, Damon Boddie, Cody Chaffin, Chrystal Harris, Steven Maglothin, Alexia Mars, Christopher Miller, Evan Montgomery, Kaitlyn Ragghianti, Alexandra Stubbs, Emily Waters and Nathaniel Wendel
- **Brighton** - Kayla Bryant, Jordan Campbell, Mary Catherine Carver, Morgan Davis, Daniel Janes, Jason McDonald, Kathyne Nicholson and Kristen Walker
- **Burlison** - Roxie Hopkins
- **Covington** - Bridget Alston, Tykendria Burnett, Jordan Davis, Candice Fuller, Houston Hall, Maxcine Heaston, Wesley Jones, Charles Max, Anna McIntyre, Candace Paris, Austin Phillips, Sarah Poole, Natassja Rudd, Kristin Sallee and Lauren Thompson
- **Mason** - Anthony Blackwell
- **Munford** - Hubert Brown, Hope Burnett, Brandon Johnston, Nicholas Johnston, Jessica Lindsey, Dustin Motes, Erica Nall, Makenzie Pugh, Benjamin Stevens and Kiersten Thompson

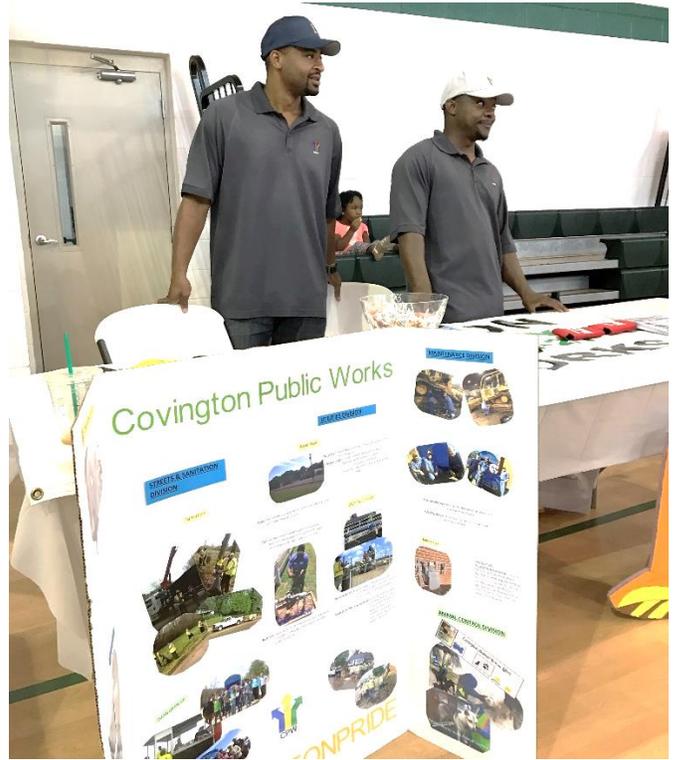
**Dyersburg State Community College**  
Office of Institutional Advancement  
1510 Lake Road, Dyersburg, TN 38024  
Ph: 731-286-3347 • Fax: 731-288-7788



# Large Crowd for Career Day at St. Luke Church

Youngsters of all ages and interests attended St. Luke's Career Day on June 1<sup>st</sup> in the Family Life Center and the room was filled with vendors and information for them. It was a great opportunity for people to make connections, explore careers, learn, and make decisions.





Several departments from the City of Covington participated in the Career Fair, including Public Works, Covington Police Department, and Covington Fire Department.





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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

June 1, 2017

**25<sup>th</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY GENERAL MIKE DUNAVANT ASKS TENNESSEANS TO  
TALK ABOUT ELDER ABUSE**

*Public Education Effort To Share Resources, Reduce Stigma*

**NASHVILLE, Tenn.** – District Attorney General Mike Dunavant (serving Lauderdale, Tipton, Fayette, Hardeman, & McNairy counties) and the Tennessee District Attorneys General Conference (TNDAGC) have partnered with the Tennessee Department of Human Services (DHS) and Tennessee Voices for Victims to launch a public education effort encouraging Tennesseans to talk about elder abuse. The effort, headlined **“Tennessee Is Talking About Elder Abuse.”** uses testimonials to encourage community dialogue and, ultimately, to increase reporting of abusive situations.

“People can be hesitant to report elder abuse because it’s embarrassing,” said Renee Bouchillon, Adult Protective Services Program Director. “But reporting elder abuse is the right thing to do, and it is the lawful thing to do. Preventing elder abuse can be as simple as picking up the phone, whether that’s to check in on a neighbor or file an anonymous report.”

TNDAGC received funds from the Tennessee General Assembly in 2016 to combat elder abuse statewide by training prosecutors and other law enforcement professionals, and producing public awareness resources.

“Protecting vulnerable Tennesseans, especially the elderly and incapacitated, is a priority,” said Tennessee Senate Majority Leader Mark Norris, R-Collierville, who was the prime sponsor of the Elderly and Vulnerable Adult Protection Act, which passed during the recent legislative session. “It is important that the state continue to support this work, and I appreciate the support of our District Attorneys.”

The training – a three-day, multidisciplinary seminar attended by prosecutors, criminal investigators, victim witness coordinators, DHS staff members and others in the statewide law enforcement community – was held in November of last year.

Once the training was complete, TNDAGC began work on the project’s public education component.

Printed materials, digital graphics and short videos feature Bouchillon, Tennessee Voices for Victims co-founder Valerie Craig, and Amy Nix, whose mother was a victim of financial abuse, to share warning signs associated with different forms of elder abuse ranging from physical to financial and neglectful abandonment.

Legislative action in 2016 and 2017 by the Tennessee General Assembly created more tools for prosecutors to fight elder abuse. In 2016, another law sponsored by Senate Majority Leader Mark Norris was enacted with TNDAGC's support establishing Vulnerable Adult Protective Investigative Teams in each of the state's 31 judicial districts. The teams foster information-sharing between government agencies tasked with protecting the elderly.

This year's General Assembly produced legislation classifying financial crimes against the elderly as theft. The classification allows authorities to better define, discover and put a stop to financial exploitation of the elderly.

"Last November's training laid the foundation for the work we are now doing to educate the public about elder abuse," said 25<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney General Mike Dunavant. "Our next challenge will be to secure funding for victim witness support staff. When victims come forward, we must be confident that we have adequate levels of support staff in place to see them through this sensitive process."

Tennesseans can visit [www.tndagc.org/ElderAbuse](http://www.tndagc.org/ElderAbuse) to download materials and find District Attorney contact information, and can visit [www.facebook.com/TNDistrictAttorneys](https://www.facebook.com/TNDistrictAttorneys) to join the conversation.

Tennessee state law requires mandatory reporting of suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation of a vulnerable or elderly adult.

Call 1-888-APS-TENN (277-8366) or visit <https://ReportAdultAbuse.dhs.tn.gov> to make an anonymous report.

*TNDAGC was created by the Tennessee General Assembly in 1961 to provide for a more prompt and efficient administration of justice in the courts of this state. It is composed of the District Attorneys General from the state's 31 judicial districts. The District Attorneys General are elected for terms of eight years and are responsible for the prosecution of criminal cases on behalf of the state. [www.tndagc.org](http://www.tndagc.org)*

*The Tennessee Department of Human Services is responsible for administering numerous services throughout Tennessee, including Families First, the state's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program, Food Stamps (known as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP), Child Support, Child Care Licensing, Child Care Assistance, Adult Protective Services, and Rehabilitation Services. With 133 office locations, DHS is one of the few state agencies with offices in all 95 counties. [www.tn.gov/humanservices](http://www.tn.gov/humanservices)*



**ELDER ABUSE**  
→ Hiding in Plain Sight

The graphic features the words "ELDER ABUSE" in a large, bold, sans-serif font. "ELDER" is in black, and "ABUSE" is in red. Below this, a red arrow points to the right, followed by the phrase "Hiding in Plain Sight" in a large, bold, black sans-serif font. The entire graphic is enclosed in a red rectangular border.



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Program Director, Tennessee  
Department of Human Services

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ELDER ABUSE**

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<https://ReportAdultAbuse.dhs.tn.gov>**

## SAVE THE DATE

- June 1-2-3 – Covington Bar-Be-Que Festival - <http://www.covingtontn.com/bbq-festival.html>  
World's Oldest BBQ Cooking Contest closed out with **THE FUNK MONSTERS** June 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- June 05 – July 28- Summer camps for kids at the [Covington Sportsplex](#)
- June 07 – Community Service Day at DSCC – scroll down for more information.....
- June 10 – Artist Series for Kids – Henri Matisse – 10:00 - Tipton County Museum – scroll down...
- June 13 – Coffee with the Mayor – Pappy & Jimmie's -7:30 – 9:00
- June 15 – DSCC Open House and New Student Orientation – 2:00 – 4:00
- June 15 – Third Thursday – Chamber Center – 5:00 – Hosted by Tipton Arts Council
- June 17 – Story Walk at Tipton County Museum – 10:00 – scroll down for information
- June 19 – 23 – Mulan Jr. Summer Theater Camp at CIAA – scroll down for information
- June 20 – Tasty Tuesday – Dutch treat Lunch at noon – Little Jimmy's Lunch Box, 511 E. Liberty Street, Covington.
- June 20 – Intro to Genealogy at Tipton County Museum – 6:30 – scroll down for more info....
- June 24 – The Amazing Race – Library Edition – Tipton County Museum – 10:00 – call 476-0242
- June 27 – Coffee with the Mayor – Pappy & Jimmie's – 7:30 – 9:00
- July 01 – Deadline for Tipton County [Sports Hall of Fame Nominations](#)
- July 11 - DSCC Open House and New Student Orientation – 2:00 – 4:00
- July 22 - Intro to Genealogy at Tipton County Museum – 1-:30 – scroll down for more info....



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[South Tipton Chamber of Commerce](#)

[Boys and Girls Club of the Hatchie River Region](#)

[Covington Aquatic Center](#)

[Tipton County Museum](#)

\*Information in this newsletter is an overview of events. All official minutes and documents can be viewed at Covington City hall at 200 West Washington Street, Covington, TN.

or on our website at [www.covingtontn.com](http://www.covingtontn.com)

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# Covington BBQ Fest



**Friday, June 2 - Baltzer Field**

**Registrations: 6pm at Cobb Parr  
Park**

**\$30 Entry Fee per Team**

**Tournament Begins at 8pm**

**Cash Prize Money**



LIVE AT THE RUFFIN THEATER IN COVINGTON  
SATURDAY, JUNE 24 7:00PM



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[www.TheVintagePeople.com](http://www.TheVintagePeople.com)

*Tickets are \$10*





**SUMMER 2017**

## **DAILY SCHEDULE**

**Master Swim 5:00 – 8:00 am**

**Manta Ray Practice 8:00 – 10:00 am**

**Swimming Lessons 9:00 – 10:00 am**

**Water Aerobics M-W-F 10:00 – 11:00 am**

**Swimming Lessons 11:00 am – 1:00 pm**

**Open Swim 1:30 – 5:00 pm**

**Swimming Lessons 5:30-6:30 pm**

**Water Aerobics Mon-Tue-Thu 6:00 – 7:00 pm**

\*\*For more information, please visit [covingtontn.com](http://covingtontn.com) or e-mail  
Liz at [lstambaugh@covingtontn.com](mailto:lstambaugh@covingtontn.com)

# SWIMMING LESSONS

## SCHEDULE • OF CLASSES



## Rates

Daily Rate: \$7.00 per person

Classes: \$50.00 per child  
\$75.00 two children  
\$100.00 3 or more

Contact Info  
Liz Stambaugh,  
Coordinator  
(901) 476-9178

<u>Level 1</u>		<u>Level 2</u>	
June 5-9	9:00 - 10:00 am	June 5-9	11:00 - 12:00 pm
June 5-9	12:00 - 1:00 pm	June 12-16	9:00 - 10:00 am
June 12-16	11:00 - 12:00 pm	June 19-23	11:00 - 12:00 pm
June 19-23	9:00 - 10:00 am	June 26-30	9:00 - 10:00 am

<u>Level 3</u>		<u>Level 4</u>	
June 12-16	12:00 - 1:00 pm	June 26-30	11:00 - 12:00 pm
June 1-23	12:00 - 1:00 pm		
June 26-30	12:00 - 1:00 pm		

<b><u>Adult Swimming Lessons:</u></b>	June 12-16	5:30 - 6:30 pm
<b><u>Parent/Child Aquatics:</u></b>	June 19-23	5:30 - 6:30 pm
<b><u>Pre-School Aquatics Level 1:</u></b>	July 17-21	5:30 - 6:30 pm
<b><u>Pre-School Aquatics Level 2:</u></b>	July 24-28	5:30 - 6:30 pm

Registration available online: visit  
[www.covingtontn.com/parks--recreation](http://www.covingtontn.com/parks--recreation)





COVINGTON  
AQUATIC CENTER



# Kids Summer Pass

Kids 8-17

pay one low price & swim  
from May 26 - Aug 2

750 Bert Johnston Avenue  
Covington TN 38019



## Only \$60

### Or \$90 for \*family

\*Siblings only in the same household



Key tags required each  
time for entry no exceptions.

# WATER AEROBICS SCHEDULE CHANGES:



## Important Information regarding Water Aerobics:

Due to Manta Ray Swimming Home Meets as well as Boy Scouts Day Camp schedule the following changes have been made to the morning and evening Water Aerobics Classes.

- Tuesday June 6 6:00 – 7:00pm will be moved to Wednesday June 7 6:00 – 7:00am due to swim meet.
- Morning Water Aerobics during the week of June 12-16 10:00 – 11:00am will be pushed back 1 hour (11:00-12:00) due to Boy Scouts Day Camp.
- Tuesday June 27 6:00 – 7:00pm will be moved to Wednesday June 28 6:00 – 7:00am due to swim meet.
- Tuesday July 11 6:00 – 7:00pm will be moved to Wednesday July 12 6:00 – 7:00am due to swim meet.

Please contact the Aquatic Center for more information or questions. Thank you for supporting our aquatic programs.



**COVINGTON PARKS AND RECREATION, AQUATIC CENTER**  
750/790 Bert Johnston Ave. Covington, TN 38019  
(901) 476-3734 | (901) 476-9178 | [covingtontn.com/parks-recreation](http://covingtontn.com/parks-recreation)



## Community Service Day

A great opportunity for TN Promise students to earn the required community service hours needed by July 1 (REDI) and August 1 (tnAchieves).

**Thursday, June 7 • 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

### **DSCC Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County**

Volunteer activities include checking book shelves for accuracy; rearranging book shelves; organizing bulletin boards; cleaning computers; assisting with computers in the Tipton County Public Library; assisting with one-on-one computer training; and assisting the maintenance department with outdoor work orders.

*To volunteer at the DSCC Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County, call 901-475-3121 or email [tanga@dsc.edu](mailto:tanga@dsc.edu), or call 731-286-3250 or email [jetton@dsc.edu](mailto:jetton@dsc.edu).*

### **DSCC Dyersburg Campus**

Volunteer activities include checking book shelves for accuracy; organizing books; designing bookmarks and flyers; creating displays; printing and laminating signage; assisting with maintenance work orders; working outside picking up trash and limbs; working in flower beds; washing physical plant vehicles; and moving furniture.

*To volunteer at the DSCC Dyersburg campus, call 731-286-3361, or email [charley@dsc.edu](mailto:charley@dsc.edu), or call 731-286-3250 or email [jetton@dsc.edu](mailto:jetton@dsc.edu).*



**DYERSBURG STATE**  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Dyersburg • Covington • Trenton  
1510 Lake Road, Dyersburg, TN 38024  
731-286-3200 / [www.dsc.edu](http://www.dsc.edu) / [enroll@dsc.edu](mailto:enroll@dsc.edu)

# *Coffee with the Mayor*

*Please join Mayor Hanson for coffee and conversation on the following dates from 7:30 - 9:00*

Tuesday, June 13

Tuesday, June 27

Tuesday, July 11

Tuesday, July 25

Tuesday, August 8

Tuesday, August 22

Tuesday, September 05

Tuesday, September 19

Pappy And Jimmie's – 749 N. Main Street

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Sookies Bake Shop on the Square



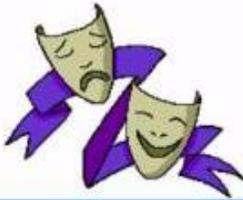


## Business After Hours

Where our community is our business

**5:00pm on June 15th**

The Chamber Center  
101 Court Square West  
Covington, TN 38019



Our June Third Thursday Sponsor:

**Tipton Arts Council, Inc**



**Join the Chamber Staff  
each month for**



**Our June 20th Tasty Tuesday is Noon at...**



**Little Jimmy's Lunch Box**  
511 East Liberty Avenue  
Covington, TN 38019

**Dutch Treat Lunch at a randomly drawn Chamber Member Restaurant each month!**



**The Tipton County Public Library**

**&**

**The Tipton County Museum**

**Veterans Memorial Nature Center Present:**



# story walk

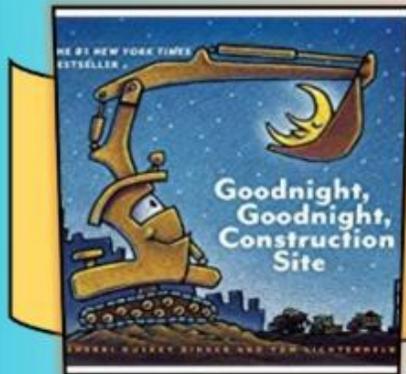
## **Read a Story While Taking a Walk**

Bring the whole family and discover a story page-by-page with activities along the way on the grounds of:

**Tipton County Museum Veterans Memorial and Nature Center**

751 Bert Johnson Ave.

Covington, TN 38019



**Goodnight, Goodnight**

**Construction Site**

**By Sherri Rinker**

**June 17th**

**Come anytime**

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**DYERSBURG STATE**  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE



*Open House:*  
*New Student Orientation*

**2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

**Dyersburg Campus:** June 6, July 18, Aug. 8

**Jimmy Naifeh Center:** June 15, July 11, Aug. 10

**Gibson County Center:** Aug. 15

**Fall classes begin August 28!**

# Finding Your Kin: An Introduction to Genealogy

## GENEALOGY LECTURE at the Tipton County Museum

presented by  
**Archivist/Genealogist Sherri Onorati**

**Tuesday, 20 June**  
**6:30 - 8pm**

**Saturday, July 22**  
**10:30 - 11am**

Lecture cost: **FREE** for Museum Members  
**\$5** for non-Friends members

**Come learn why Genealogy  
is the fastest growing hobby!**

**We'll talk about what genealogy is, why it  
is important and how to start.**



TIPTON COUNTY  
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VETERANS MEMORIAL  
NATURE CENTER

**Museum memberships are \$25 and can be purchased on day of event. Benefits include all lectures for free, discounts on classes and 10% off giftshop purchases.**

# COVINGTON COURT SQUARE FARMERS MARKET



Find us under the Water Tower at 117 North Main Street, Covington!

We are open May - November on the following days:



Tuesdays 8:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.  
Thursdays 12:00p.m. - 6:00p.m.  
Saturdays 8:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.



## Eat Fresh. Buy Local.



Call 901 476 9727 for further details.

Stop by and find out what's in season at the  
Covington Court Square Farmers Market!

The Covington Court Square Farmers Market is open

- Tuesdays 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Thursdays 12 p.m. - 6 p.m.
- Saturdays 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Those interested in becoming a Farmers Market Vendor can call  
901 476 9727 or email [lauren@covington-tiptoncochamber.com](mailto:lauren@covington-tiptoncochamber.com)



Now in existence for more than 7 years, the **Summer Theater Camp**, created under the guidance of Tipton County Arts Council, continues to offer an enriching experience for Tipton County youth. Previous performances have included: 101 Dalmatians, Jungle Book, Aladdin, High School Musical, Seussical the Musical, Annie, and The Lion King. This year's camp showcases Mulan, and will run June 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Sponsoring a student for \$125 allows a child, whose family may not have the funds available, to attend camp. Additionally, all donations are tax deductible.

Your generosity, no matter what size donation, allows us to make a difference in the lives of this community's children, through cultural enrichment and personal development.

To sponsor a child for the 2017 Summer Theater Camp, simply make check payable to the **Tipton Arts Council for Summer Theater Camp**. Donations may be mailed to 1400 Herring Drive, Covington, Tennessee, 38019 or call (901) 237-4006 for pick up. Once again, all donations are tax deductible.

We appreciate your support and invite you to attend Friday night's performance of Mulan (June 23.) Truly, the children of Tipton County are gifted, and this camp is a pleasure to help produce.





## Summer Theater Camp @ CIAA

June 19<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>

- Theater camp is open to any student in 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Students will act, sing, dance, design sets and costumes.
  - Camp is everyday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Our performance takes place Friday night at 6:00 p.m.
  - Breakfast and lunch provided.
- Camp tuition is \$125.00 and includes a t-shirt and dvd.
- The camp takes place at Covington Integrated Arts Academy  
760 Bert Johnston, Covington, TN

Scholarships are available, please contact Barbara McBride

901-237-4006 or 901-476-9706

Auditions Saturdays  
June 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>  
10:00-2:00  
@ CIAA  
Applications Due  
June 10<sup>th</sup>



In association with Tipton Arts Council

Applications for students in grades 2 – 8 are available by calling 237-4006 or can be picked up at  
Covington Integrated Arts Academy  
760 Bert Johnston Avenue – Covington

# SUMMER CAMPS AT THE COVINGTON SPORTSPLEX

		JUN 5-9	JUN 12-16	JUN 19-23	JUN 26-30	JUL 10-14	JUL 17-21	JUL 24-28
<b>HALF DAY CAMPS</b>		<b>8AM -12PM</b>						
<b>ART</b> 	Ages 10+							Ages 10+
 <b>BASEBALL</b>	Ages 5-12							
<b>SOCCER</b> 		Ages 5-12						
 <b>LACROSSE</b>	Ages 7-17							
<b>DANCE</b> 					*Ages 5-17			
 <b>TENNIS</b>						Ages 8-13		
<b>BASKETBALL</b> 					Ages 10-14	Ages 5-9		
* Dance Camp will be from 9:30AM-1:30PM.								
<b>CAMP INSTRUCTORS</b>				<b>CAMP LOCATION</b>				
<b>ART - BARRIE FOSTER</b>				<b>TIPTON COUNTY MUSEUM</b>				
<b>BASEBALL - CHS(CHARGERS) COACHES &amp; PLAYERS</b>				<b>COVINGTON HS BASEBALL FIELD</b>				
<b>SOCCER - ROBERT LUTRELL - CHS BOYS &amp; GIRLS HEAD SOCCER COACH</b>				<b>BALTZER FIELD</b>				
<b>LACROSSE - CHRIS DAVANZO - TC DUCKS HEAD COACH</b>				<b>BALTZER FIELD</b>				
<b>DANCE - DEBORAH WALKER</b>				<b>COVINGTON SPORTSPLEX</b>				
<b>TENNIS-EVA WILLIAMS - CHS TENNIS COACH</b>				<b>CITY TENNIS COURTS</b>				
<b>BASKETBALL GARY MURDOCK - CHS BOY &amp; GIRLS HC OR CHARLES MITCHELL - CHS BOYS HC</b>				<b>TBD</b>				
<b>Camp Fees ONLY \$40</b> 				<b>Signup Online</b> <a href="http://www.covingtontn.com/parks--recreation.html">http://www.covingtontn.com/parks--recreation.html</a> <b>Breakfast &amp; Lunch Included!</b> For more information or to sign up in person visit us at : Covington Parks & Recreation 790 Bert Johnston Avenue Covington TN 38019 901-476-3734 <i>T-Shirt Included</i>				

To sponsor kids for summer camp, please contact Parks and Recreation Director Joseph Mack at **901-476-3734** or email [jmack@covingtontn.com](mailto:jmack@covingtontn.com)

**[TO REGISTER for a summer camp, please click here](#)**



# Youth Summer Programs

*Register Now!*

## College for Kids

Children ages 4 - 6th grade may enroll in these summertime fun programs!

**DSCC Dyersburg Campus**  
June 12 - 16 • 9 a.m.-noon

**DSCC Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County**  
June 26 - 30 • 9 a.m.-noon

**DSCC Gibson County Center**  
July 10 - 14 • 9 a.m.-noon

## Minecraft Camp

A challenging STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) program for kids ages 10-15. Participants will learn skills such as: teamwork, problem-solving, physics, logic and more while learning how to play Minecraft!

**Dyersburg Campus • June 19 - 23 • 1 - 5 p.m.**  
Dale F. Glover Education Center, room 107

To register online go to  
<https://registration.xenegrade.com/dscc>  
or call 731-286-3265.

**14<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**ENCORE VOCAL WORKSHOP**

**I GOTTA FEELING**

**June 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**9:00AM-11:30AM**

**CRESTVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL-COVINGTON, TN**

Instructors / Facilitators  
Megan Allen and Carole Mathis

**WHAT:** ENCORE IS A four-day intense choir camp for young singers including workshops on performance technique, singing technique, music rehearsals, and an end-of-workshop performance for family and friends. Each camper will receive a t-shirt worn for performance is also included in this fee.

**WHO:** For student singers/performers ages 5-18 (starting 1<sup>st</sup> grade/graduated sr.)

**WHEN:** WORKSHOP: Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup>- Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 9:00-11:30am  
PERFORMANCE: Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, evening performance at 7:00 p.m.  
Please arrive @ 8:30AM to complete registration on June 12<sup>th</sup>.

**WHERE:** ENCORE IS HELD @ CRESTVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETORIUM.  
Located at: 206 MARK WALKER BLVD COVINGTON, TN

**COST:** \$65 PER CAMPER! A \$30.00/CAMPER non-refundable deposit is due By, WEDNESDAY, May 31<sup>st</sup>. DEPOSIT WILL GO TOWARDS BALANCE.  
Remaining balance (if not paid in full w/ deposit) is due first day of camp.

**\*DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE!!!!**

**\*SIBLING DISCOUNT:** \$35 EACH FOR EACH ADDITIONAL SIBLING

**\*EARLYBIRD DISCOUNT:** \$5 OFF /STUDENT IF DEPOSIT RECEIVED ON/BEFORE MAY 15<sup>TH</sup>

Payment is DUE IN FULL on the first day of camp.

Please make checks payable to Carole Mathis/Megan Allen Haiti Missions

Please arrive @ 8:30am on registration day to make full payment.

A portion of the proceeds go to support Haiti missions.

**More information:**

<http://meganallenmusic.weebly.com/encore-summer-vocal-workshop.html>

Questions? Carole @ 486-8356 or Megan @ 409-3271

Email us @ [encorevocalworkshop@gmail.com](mailto:encorevocalworkshop@gmail.com)

Spots are limited! Apply today!

*inspired*  
TO *sing*

# Summer Camps at Crestview Elementary

Crestview Elementary has planned several exciting summer programs that will keep students learning and growing. CES will have a Read to be Ready Summer Literacy Camp, Camp Invention, Project Succeed Summer Camp, and Kinder Boost.

Crestview Elementary was recently awarded the Ready to be Ready Summer Grant. This grant will fund a four week summer instructional program that provides rich reading and writing opportunities for 20 selected rising third grade students. The goal is to develop a student's love for reading over the summer months by providing them with access to a multitude of high-quality books.

CES Camp Invention will present children with fun, hands-on challenges that encourage creative problem solving, teamwork, entrepreneurship, and innovation. Camp invention is led by experienced local educators and new curriculum is introduced each year, inspired by the Inductees of the National Inventors Hall of Fame!

Project Succeed's Lightning Bolt Club Summer Camp derived from a plan to provide STEM activities that will positively impact our students. Through our summer program, students will be able to take advantage of STEM hands-on activities, positive interaction with peers, a field trip, breakfast, and lunch in a safe, drug-free environment. Lightning Bolt Club STEM camp is free of charge to all participants. This includes free door-to-door transportation to and from camp. Our mission is to increase the knowledge, skills, and behavior of our students by exposing them to more interactive activities.

Kinder Boost is an exciting two week program for students entering kindergarten who have not previously attended preschool. The goal of Kinder Boost is to help prepare students for the transition to kindergarten.

[Bonnie Overland](#)

Instructional Facilitator

Crestview Elementary

901-840-9300

# 2017 Tipton County Sports Hall of Fame

Tipton County Sports Hall of Fame is now taking nomination for the 2017 inductees.

ALL nomination packages must be received by the

Covington Parks and Recreation Department by July 1, 2017.

For a complete list of the rules and the nomination package, [click here](#) to download.



# HALL of FAME





**THE TIPTON COUNTY  
PUBLIC LIBRARY  
AND  
THE TIPTON COUNTY MUSEUM  
VETERANS MEMORIAL NATURE CENTER PRESENT**

# THE AMAZING RACE

## Library Edition

Grab a friend or two to join in the Amazing  
Library Race. See which group can follow the  
clues to the end first!

### JUNE 24TH

Come anytime between 10:00am &  
11:30am

Tipton County Museum Veterans Memorial  
and Nature Center

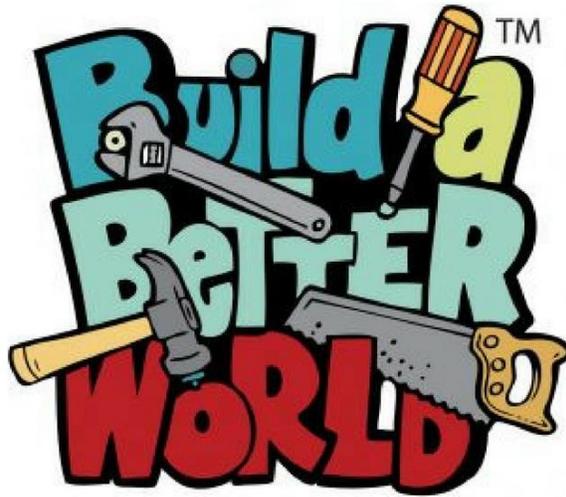
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Tipton County Public Library  
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**ALL AGES**



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Covington, TN 38019  
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# Tipton County Public Library's Summer Reading Program June 1st - July 31st

**FREE PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS, TEENS, &  
CHILDREN**

**READ BOOKS, WIN PRIZES!!!**

A complete list of programs is available on our website, and Facebook page.

[www.tiptoncountylibrary.com](http://www.tiptoncountylibrary.com)

[www.facebook.com/tiptoncountylibrary](http://www.facebook.com/tiptoncountylibrary)

LIVE ANIMALS

ESCAPE ROOMS

MAGIC SHOW

BOOK CLUBS

STORY WALKS

FREE MOVIES

STORY TIME

ADULT COLORING



[Tipton Family Association](#) sets October date to meet in Covington.

Plan to join in for this historical conference about Tipton County from the decedents of General Jacob Tipton

## Y'all Come to Tipton County, Tennessee!

The date is set. Plans and arrangements have been made! The 2017 meeting is taking place on October 7<sup>th</sup> in the Tipton County Public Library, Building C on the campus of the Dyersburg Community College at 3149 Highway 51 South in Covington, TN. With the assistance of Susan Cheairs, Director of the Library, and a scheduled welcome from Dr. Karen Bowyer, President of the College, the meeting place is reserved.

The [Tipton Family Association of America](#) invites all TFAA members to come to Covington. Tipton County borders Shelby County, Tennessee to the north. Memphis is in Shelby County making a major US airport convenient to the meeting place. Meeting in Covington also makes it convenient for TFAA members in Arkansas, Missouri, Louisiana, and states west of the Mississippi River who might come by auto as well as those to the east. Driving from Interstate 40 in Memphis to Covington takes approximately one hour.

For information about travel accommodations or other matters when visiting Covington, Contact the Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce at Post Office Box 683, Covington, Tennessee 38019 or by phone at 901-476-9727 or online at [www.covington-tiptoncochamber.com](http://www.covington-tiptoncochamber.com)

A promotional graphic for Covington, Tennessee. At the top, the word "COVINGTON" is written in large, bold, serif letters. Below it, the tagline "THE CENTER OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY IN THE HEART OF TIPTON COUNTY" is written in a smaller, sans-serif font. A bulleted list of features follows: "• Industrial and Manufacturing Center of Tipton County", "• Beautiful Historic Town Square", "• Expanding Retail Business Opportunities", "• High Performing Schools and Two Institutions of Higher Learning", "• Infrastructure and Support for Industrial and Business Development", "• Friendly Community full of Good People", and "• Mayor and City Leaders with a Vision for Positive and Productive Leadership". The background features a faint circular seal with "EST 1825" and "TIPTON COUNTY". At the bottom, there are three inset images: a portrait of a man in a suit, a large American flag on a tall pole, and an aerial view of a modern industrial or commercial building complex.

SUMMER Reading  
Movie Days  
@ the Tipton County Public Library

BUILD A  
BETTER  
WORLD™



For adults (ages 18+)

June 6th  
1:00pm



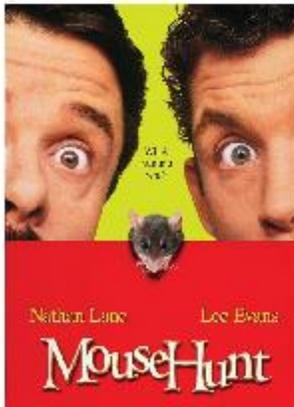
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June 19th  
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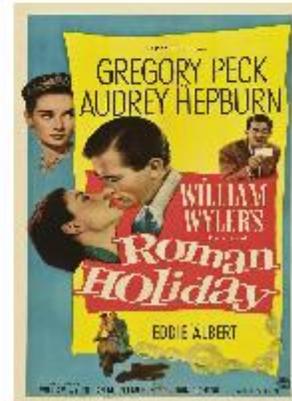
For adults (ages 18+)

June 27th  
1:00pm



For teens (ages 13-17)

June 26th  
1:00pm



For adults (ages 18+)

July 25th  
1:00pm

enjoy a free movie and refreshments on us!

FREE MOVIES AND REFRESHMENTS AT OUR LIBRARY  
CHECK THESE SELECTIONS OUT FOR MAY

## **What's Happening at the Museum?**

**Check it out.... *Tipton County Pulse***

Click here to view: <https://youtu.be/ZGoLD5opQxY>



On May 27, Garden Historian Dominique Bellott lectured on the history of the Louvre Museum in Paris France at the Tipton County Museum in Covington, Tennessee! The Louvre was built around 1190 as a fort to protect Paris. Over the years, kings added on to it, and soon it became a castle. It became a museum in 1793, and today it is the largest and most famous museum in the world.



Museum staff and helpers from local scout troops planted a butterfly garden in front of the Tipton County Museum. Aiden Sallee is a member of Covington Tiger Scout troop 261, and Ryleigh Sallee and Alice Byrd are members of Covington Daisy Troop 13006. Also present were scout leaders Kristin Sallee and Mallory Mistretta. They planted milkweed and coneflowers around a colorful birdbath. At right are Aiden Sallee, Ryleigh Sallee, and Alice Byrd, Kristin Sallee, Mallory Mistretta, Museum Director Barrie Foster, and Museum Archivist Sherri Onorati.

The Tipton County Museum Presents  
**Artist Series for Kids**  
**Henri Matisse**

Saturday, June 10, 2017

10 a.m.—Noon

Tipton County Museum, 751 Bert Johnston Ave., Covington

\$20 Museum Members, \$25 General Public



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VETERANS MEMORIAL  
NATURE CENTER



Museum Director and Professional Artist Barrie Foster will introduce Henri Matisse to your children. They will learn that he was born and raised in France, and he originally was a lawyer. They will then paint one of his paintings in acrylics. All materials will be supplied. A snack will be provided and a sibling discount is available. Children 10 and up.

Tipton County Museum, Veterans Memorial & Nature Center

751 Bert Johnston Ave., Covington, TN 38019

(901) 476-0242



**The Tipton County Public Library**

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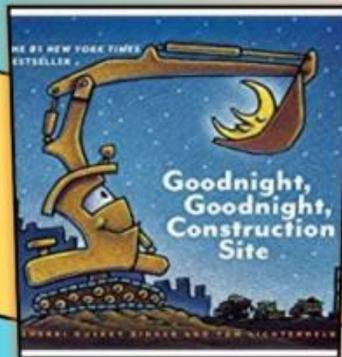
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**A DAY OF ART  
AT THE TIPTON COUNTY MUSEUM**

**Lecture & Painting**

Lectures 10—11: 30 a.m.; Free to Members, \$5 General Public

Class 1—4 p.m., \$35 Members, \$40 General Public

No previous art experience required.

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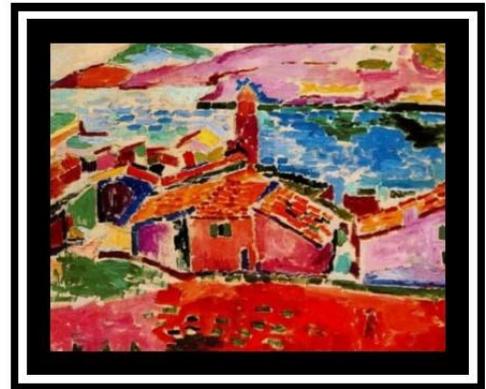


**Georgia O'Keeffe March 4, 2017**

**"Blue Morning Glories"**

**Henri Matisse May 13, 2017**

**"Les toits de Collioure"**



**Paul Cezanne July 8, 2017**

**"Maison Maria with a View of Chateau Noir"**



**Wassily Kandinsky November 18, 2017**

**"Winter Landscape"**





**The Tipton County Veterans Council and the Tipton County Museum,  
Veterans Memorial and Nature Center  
Veteran of the Month for June, 2017  
Rudolph Boykin, Jr.**

Rudolph Boykin, Jr. was born in Covington, Tennessee, on June 6, 1948. He was the third of fourteen children and the first son. Drafted into the U.S. Army on October 22, 1968, he spent eight weeks at Basic Training at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky before receiving eight weeks of Advanced Infantry Training (AIT) at Ft. Poke, Louisiana, to prepare him for Vietnam. Rudy advanced quickly in rank and was an E-3 by the end of his AIT. While in AIT, he proposed to his high school sweetheart, Virginia A. Nelson, because he wanted to be married before being sent to Vietnam. They were married on her birthday, March 22, 1969.

PFC Rudolph Boykin, Jr. arrived in Vietnam in April of 1969, and by that September he had been promoted to Sargent and was Squad Leader. For nine months he and Virginia diligently corresponded. Those letters of love, longing, and daily life both at home and in war still exist today. In December 1969 Virginia met Rudy for a 6 day R & R. On the 25<sup>th</sup> day of the following month, the unthinkable happened. PFC Boykin was wounded in his right arm, resulting in the loss of his arm above the elbow. He returned to the States and spent the next eleven months in rehab at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D.C. During that time his first child, Tawanna, was born – a direct result of that December R & R!

After being honorably discharged, he returned home to Virginia and their baby with an 80% disability. With no job, he searched for a way to provide for his family. He decided to attend vocational school in Memphis where he learned to repair lawn mowers and received his diploma in 1973. Two years later his son Rudolphus was born. In 1976 he enrolled in Shelby State Community College to study accounting; however, after being told that he was unlikely to be hired due to his disability, he dropped out. Two decades later he resumed his education, and in 1997, he earned his Drafting/Auto Cad Diploma from Tennessee Technology in Memphis.

Rudolph and Virginia are celebrating 48 years of marriage. Sadly they lost their son Rudolphus in an auto accident in 2000, and they lost their grandson Treyon to cancer in 2002. However, they are proud grandparents of six grandchildren.

Rudolph Boykin, Jr.'s bravery and valor resulting in his being awarded the Bronze Star Medal with "V" Device, Purple Heart Medal, Army Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device 1960, Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert (M-14 Rifle) Badge, and Sharpshooter (M-16 Rifle) Badge.

Rudy has been employed with Delta Human Resources as a van driver for the past 16 years. He and Virginia are members of St. Luke Baptist Church in Covington. Rudolph Boykin, Jr. was nominated for Veteran of the Month by John McBride.

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