

Highlights from
The Week of
September 23-29 *

Three Day Heritage Festival Tremendous Success

People from near and far found multiple opportunities to enjoy themselves in Covington last weekend despite the heat. The three day event included a community Farm-to-Table dinner on the square, carriage rides through the historic district, music, reenactments, crafts, food and more!



HERITAGEFEST17

The Farm-to-Table dinner on the square was the setting for great neighborly camaraderie, delicious local food, wonderful music, and a fun auction to benefit the Chamber's scholarship fund. Historian David Gwinn made commentary about the Historic District before people rode through it in horse-drawn carriages. The children's parade, arts and crafts, and more music ended the three day festival Saturday.





Public Safety Committee Agrees to Update Covington's Fireworks Ordinance

The Public Safety Committee held their monthly meeting on September 16th at Covington City Hall with the following present: Alderman Chairman Mac McGowan, Alderwoman Minnie Bommer, Alderman CH Sullivan, CFD Chief Michael Naifeh, CPD Chief Buddy Lewis, Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn, Mayor Justin Hanson, Assistant to the Mayor Sara Gangaware, Alderman John Edwards, Alderman Jere Hadley, Echo Day from The Leader.

Chairman McGowan called the meeting to order at 1:00 and called on Fire Chief Michael Naifeh for his report.

Fire Chief Michael Naifeh:

- Promotional material for volunteer firefighters distributed – flyers out in community – call 1-844-865-8366 or go to www.volunteerfiretn.org to apply.
- October is fire prevention month. CFD will make contact with approximately 3500 students in October. A radio add is also being produced to assist the department to get fire safety messages out to community.
- Volunteer hours for month of August were 280
- Apparatus Committee continues evaluation of tankers/pumpers – will visit Fayette County next week for further research.
- Heritage Festival was a success with only very few medical issues, and those were related to the heat
- Chief Naifeh has been accepted in the FEMA Advanced Academy which will take place in Nashville over a 4-month period. Naifeh will travel to this class one week each month at no cost to the City of Covington.
- Chief Naifeh is also a member of Tennessee Task Force 1, which is a FEMA organization used to assist in emergencies. Chief Naifeh was deployed for 9 days to Florida when Hurricane Irma hit. His participation in this is also at no cost to the City of Covington.
- CFD plans to begin work on the landscaping at their stations for beautification – they have partnered with CHS landscaping class for assistance.
- Run Report for August includes, but it not limited to:
 - 53 sick parties – non specific
 - 20 respiratory difficulty
 - 19 persons unconscious
 - 17 non-traumatic falls
 - 12 medical alarms and 11 fire alarms
- Report was also attached to Naifeh's handout for CARE Officer Mark Heaston's activities, which included but not limited to:
 - 12 welfare checks
 - AHA Heartsaver and AED First Aid certification training
 - Created list of shelters in the county in case of emergencies
 - Attended EMS training and Health Fairs
- Alderwoman Bommer expressed her concern/desire for training for emergency procedures in case of natural disasters. The committee entered in a discussion about this, and Mayor Hanson suggested contacting the EMA Director Tommy Dunavant to assist in some information/training for the committee.

Alderman Sullivan motioned to accept Chief Naifeh's report and Alderwoman Bommer seconded – motion passed.

Chairman McGowan then called on Covington Police Chief Buddy Lewis for his report

Police Chief Buddy Lewis

- Fireworks ordinance – Lewis provided Munford’s ordinance for discussion. Committee read over Munford’s ordinance and discussed in the meeting. Lewis asked committee to analyze the ordinance and determine how we might apply information therein to our ordinance. Mayor Hanson reminded the committee a change in ordinance will require three public readings. Mayor Hanson expressed that he feels Munford’s ordinance is well thought-out and would be a great step for Covington. Munford’s ordinance provides three days a year for the discharge of fireworks within the corporate limits of the City of Munford – December 31, January 1, and July 4 and spells out in details the penalties for the discharge of fireworks on any days not listed above.
- Alderwoman Bommer motioned to write the same ordinance as Munford and Alderman Sullivan seconded. Motion passed. There will be three readings of new ordinance before it goes into effect.
- Chief Lewis discussed the new DA – General Mark Davidson - and said he is in the process of updating and swearing in the local drug task force.
- CPD updates:
 - Things falling into place in new (temporary) facilities and much improved conditions over former facility on South Maple Street. Lewis thanked the committee again for the improved facilities.
 - New vehicles that were ordered should be delivered in October. K-9 vehicle is out of order at this time – so CPD is using one of their marked vehicles for this purpose. K9 Unit is being repaired and expected cost for this is about \$1800 Auction money from sales will be used for replacement vehicle.
 - Update on shooting over the past weekend – Hill Street Area – shots fired call came in. CPD responded immediately and saw 2 suspects run into a house on High Street. Search warrant was issued and marijuana and guns were found in the house. Arrests were made, including 2 juveniles. Lewis feels there is a tremendous need for a juvenile detention center. Mayor echoed Lewis’ concerns, but believes this may need to be a shared cost among three counties, such as Tipton – Lauderdale – Haywood. Alderwoman Bommer stated students assigned to Court School should be looked at as a place to teach kids and possibly detain them for rehabilitation.
 - Covington Housing Authority cameras have been ordered and will be installed soon – hopefully by mid October. This will require training for CHA and CPD and possibly dispatch for accessibility to the cameras. Lewis stated he hopes to budget next year for computers in police cars – many police departments have these for live access to areas throughout the city.
 - Drug take-back program is still going strong and recent pick-up was 71 pounds of prescription drugs that had been “dropped off” at CPD. There are drop-offs at the Tipton County Justice Complex and the Covington Police Department on Main Street across from the Post Office
 - Chief Lewis has been accepted to the International Association of Chiefs of Police Conference in Philadelphia at no cost to the City of Covington. He will attend this at the end of October.
- Alderman Sullivan motioned to accept Chief Lewis’ report and Alderwoman Bommer seconded. Motion passed.

5th Annual Scarecrow Contest!

Click [here](#) to download a packet.

Contest flyer with timeline is included [here](#).





GO JIM GO!

Once again, Meteorologist Jim Jagers of News Channel 3 in Memphis is riding his bicycle through the Mid South to raise funds for Le Bonheur Children's Hospital. He visited Covington Thursday and stopped for lunch at Burnett's Barbeque

After a safe escort to the square by Covington Police, Jim took some time to talk with Erik, Kate, and Lucy Krull (bottom left) and Andi Katherine and Jack Edwards (bottom right), all of whom expressed their love of Le Bonheur and stated how grateful they are for such a world class hospital so close to home. Tipton County Schools collectively raised \$15,000 for the organization and presented their check earlier this month.



Jim visited several Tipton County Schools with great success. Munford Elementary donated \$5400,

Austin Peay was close behind by donating \$5000, and Tipton Christian (below) donated \$1000.



Carl Perkins Center Held Celebrity Waiter Fundraiser



Celebrity Waiters Jonathan Murphy of Covington Funeral Home, Representative Debra Moody, Mayor Justin Hanson, Assistant Pastor Cliff Marion, Co-Op CEO Joey Caldwell, and Baptist Tipton Director Sam Lynd served the food and helped raise over \$4000 for the Carl Perkins Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse in Covington.



Mayor Hanson practiced his balancing skills as he delivered lunch to the supporters of the Carl Perkins Center.



DEPARTMENTAL TIDBITS

keeping you up-to-date with what's going on in our city

PARKS AND RECREATION:

- **Director Joe Mack attended [NRPA](#) (National Recreation and Park Association) Conference in New Orleans this week where he has learned about Outdoor Music Parks, bringing the Indoors Outside: How to create functional outdoor gyms that get results; Next Generation Trail Networks: Rails to Trails Conservancy's National Portfolio of Transformative Trail Network Projects; Trends in Park Planning and Design; 10 Tools and Apps for every Recreation and Park Professional; New Funding for Parks & Rec Education Programs Through the Every Student Succeeds Act – and that's just a few! He is excited to see how these programs can be included in our strategic plan.**
- **Some innovative and exciting new equipment in the Parks and Rec industry are Outdoor musical equipment, a live video streaming system for youth sports, a mobile game truck to get kids up off of the couch and out playing fun games without leaving their neighborhood. We are looking forward to some fantastic improvements and additions to our parks!**

TREASURER:

- **The 2018 Property Taxes will be mailed out next week.**
- **Tax Relief Applications are available at City Hall.**

PUBLIC WORKS AND STREETS:

- **Work has begun for much needed railroad crossing repair. Scroll down for complete schedule.**
- **Utilities department has been working on water leak repairs.**
- **The gas department has been conducting our annual gas leak survey.**
- **Grounds crews have been busy this week cutting grass that has returned with this past week of hot weather.**
- **Reminder - next Monday October 2nd, the new routes for garbage collection will begin. Please check the note on your rollouts for your new day of pickup. Call 901-476-9613 ext 146 or 109 for questions.**

CODES:

- **Covington Municipal Code, Section 16-106, Abutting occupants to keep sidewalks clean, etc. The occupants of property abutting on a sidewalk are required to keep the sidewalk clean. Also, immediately after a snow or sleet, such occupants are required to remove all accumulated snow and ice from the abutting sidewalks.**
- **When planning to build remember the City of Covington has the 2012 edition of the International Codes adopted. Learn more about codes [HERE](#).**

COVINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT:

- **Chief Lewis brought the Munford Fireworks Ordinance to the Public Safety Committee meeting this week for discussion. Alderwoman Bommer motioned for Covington to adopt this same ordinance. That motion passed.**
- **CPD is expecting the delivery of new vehicles by mid October**
- **Covington Housing Authority cameras are expected to be installed by mid October**
- **Drug take-back program working well – 71 pounds of prescription drugs were collected and adequately disposed of. Drop off your prescription drugs at the Tipton County Justice Complex or Covington Police Department across the street from the Covington Post Office.**

COVINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT:

- **Chief Naifeh gave his monthly report to the Public Safety committee for the month of August this week that showed CFD responded to 254 calls including**
 - 53 sick parties – non specific
 - 20 respiratory difficulty
 - 19 persons unconscious
 - 17 non-traumatic falls
 - 12 medical alarms and 11 fire alarms
- **The Covington Fire Department continued their yearly in-service training this week with the help of the Tennessee Fire and Code Academy mobile training tower. The training covered fire fighter Mayday procedures and Emergency bailouts. This training is vitally important in the event a fire fighter becomes trapped or lost during fire ground operations. Thank you TFACA and to the dedicated personnel of our fire department.**



Boys and Girls Club held Speech Contest leading to Youth of the Year Announcement at Annual Dinner



Last Friday, the Boys and Girls Club of the Hatchie River Region held its annual speech contest that leads up to the announcement of their Youth of the Year. The club's 2017 Youth of the Year will be announced at the Steak and Burgers Fundraiser October 5 at the Tipton County Museum in Covington. Jhonnaya Wilcox, left, won the speech contest for Junior Youth of the Year. She is an 8th grader at Covington Integrated Arts Academy. Joining the junior candidates below, high school students competed for Youth of the Year. Three contestants were honored for their speeches, and they are waiting on the big announcement October 5. Get your tickets from the Boys and Girls Club or from any Board Member.

[Click here for information.](#)



FAFSA Frenzy Days Planned for October

Students who file their FAFSA will be entered to win \$100!

Dyersburg State Community College will host **Free** Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Frenzy days at each location in October. **Current and potential students** who fill out and submit their FAFSA during this event will be entered to win \$100. This year, the FAFSA application will open Oct. 1, 2017, for students applying for financial aid in 2018-2019. Students are encouraged to submit their FAFSA early to increase their chances of receiving financial aid. FAFSA Frenzy day will be held at the **DSCC Dyersburg campus Tuesday, Oct. 3, from 1-7 p.m.**, inside the Student Center Commons. It will be held **Thursday, Oct. 5, from 1-7 p.m. inside the Student Center at the DSCC Jimmy Naifeh Center in Covington** and **Tuesday, Oct. 10, from 1-7 p.m. at the DSCC Gibson County Center.**

For more information, contact Kacee Hardy, director of financial aid, at 731-286-3238.

**DON'T
MISS
THIS!**

Chamber's Industrial Appreciation Golf Tournament Success with 20 Teams and Great Weather



Board of Mayor and Aldermen Recognized and Honored Mr. Lawrence “Man” Hall



Lawrence “Man” Hall was honored for his longtime radio career at [WKBL 1250 AM](#) during the Board of Mayor and Alderman meeting. “Man” Hall began his work in radio in the 1950’s, shortly after the station went on air. Starting work at the station as a janitor, he went to school to get his license and quickly became the one of the most popular dee-jays and hosts! With his unmistakable laugh, he joyously hosted a weekly Sunday morning gospel show - originally called the “Old Ship of Zion” - until recently, when his health prompted him to back away from his duties.



Mayor Hanson had the privilege to work with Mr. Hall for several years and was delighted to honor him for his many years of dedicated and entertaining radio service.

Mayor Celebrated National Coffee Day Locally



Mayor Hanson celebrated National Coffee Day with a Pumpkin Spice Latte from Sookie’s Bake Shop on the square in Covington



- **October 01 – November 05 – Vote for your favorite SQUARECROW!**
- **Saturdays in October – Gardening Series at the Museum – Saturdays at 11:30 am**
- **October 03 – Yoga in the Garden – FREE – 5:00 pm Scroll down for details.....**
- **October 05 – Yoga in the Garden – FREE – 8:30 am Scroll down for details.....**
- **October 05 – Domestic Violence Awareness Rally – 9:00 – Courthouse Lawn in Covington – please bring non-perishable food item – scroll down to read more.**
- **October 05 – Steak and Burgers Dinner and Fundraiser for the Boys and Girls Club of the Hatchie River Region in Covington – 6:00 – Tipton County Museum scroll down for more info.....**
- **October 7 – 8 – Tipton Family Conference - Plan to join in for this historical conference about Tipton County from the decedents of General Jacob Tipton. Scroll down for more information.....**
- **October 16 – Social Media Bootcamp for Small Businesses – LUNCH & LEARN – 11:30 – 1:00 – Sookie’s Bake Shop - FREE to Chamber Members. Call 901-476-9727 for more info.**
- **October 19 – Third Thursday at Wyatt Earp’s - 5:00 – celebrate the 60th birthday of the Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce!**
- **October 19 – 21 – BOOK SALE at Tipton County Library
CHECK OUT THE ACTIVITIES at the library during FALL BREAK...scroll down for more info.....**
- **October 20 – Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon – noon – Baptist Hospital Community Room – call 901-475-5505 for more information and to reserve your seat.**
- **October 21 – Community Health Fair – St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church**
- **October 28 – FREE MASTER CHIEF BOOT CAMP – 1:00 pm – Cobb-Parr Park.**
- **November 9-10-11 – Christmas Open House on the Square**
- **November 10 – Veteran’s Day Parade**
- **November 18 – A Day of Art – Tipton County Museum – scroll down for more info.....**
- **November 27 – Christmas Parade in Covington**



Keep up with News, Events, and Information in Covington and Tipton County

[City of Covington](#)

[Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce](#)

[Tipton County](#)

[Covington Sportsplex](#)

[Drug Free Tipton](#)

[Tipton County Schools](#)

[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
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Coming Soon...

5th Annual Scarecrow Contest!



It's time to plan your Scarecrow Designs for the annual contest hosted by the Covington Economic Development Corporation!

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug. 28th-Sept. 15th	Submit entry form/fee & pick up frame at Chamber
Sept 25th-Sept. 29th	Installation week for Scarecrows
Sept. 29th-Nov. 6th	All Scarecrows displayed in Downtown Covington Historic Square
Oct. 1st-Nov. 5th	VOTE, VOTE, VOTE, for your favorites entries
November 6th	All 5 Winners Announced
Nov. 6th-Nov. 17th	Pick up Scarecrow Entries

Reduce-Reuse-Recycle

We encourage you to help us Keep Tipton County Beautiful by using recycled materials to build your scarecrows.

Scarecrow Themes

Most Traditional

These scarecrows should be designed to look most like a traditional fall scarecrow seen on a farm or as a yard decoration.

Most Famous Character

Whether a famous actor, musician, tv character, or local leader, create scarecrows in this category to resemble someone OR something that's easily recognizable!

Greenest

Absolutely all materials used to create scarecrows in this category have been recycled or found at no cost to the designer!



For more details, call 901 476 9727
or email lauren@covington-tiptoncochamber.com



You could win \$100!

FAFSA FRENZY

Students attending fall 2018 can submit their FAFSA beginning Oct. 1! Students who file their FAFSA during a FAFSA Frenzy event below will be entered to win \$100!

DSCC Dyersburg Campus

Tuesday, October 3

1:00 - 7:00 p.m.

DSCC Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County

Thursday, October 5

1:00 - 7:00 p.m.

DSCC Gibson County Center

Tuesday, October 10

1:00 - 7:00 p.m.



DYERSBURG STATE
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Dyersburg • Covington • Trenton
1510 Lake Road, Dyersburg, TN 38024
731-286-3200 / www.dsc.edu / enroll@dsc.edu

Do you need help completing your TennCare packet?



You may be able to get help completing your paperwork
on line through the Marketplace.

**Please contact Juanita Williams,
[Stanton Health Center](#) for more
information at 731-548-2232.**

Address 17 1st St E
Stanton, Tennessee 38069

Phone (731) 548-2232

Website <http://www.hardemanhealth.org/>

Hours Mon - Fri:8:00 am - 5:00 pm



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF THE HATCHIE RIVER REGION

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO OUR

2nd Annual

Steak & Burger Dinner

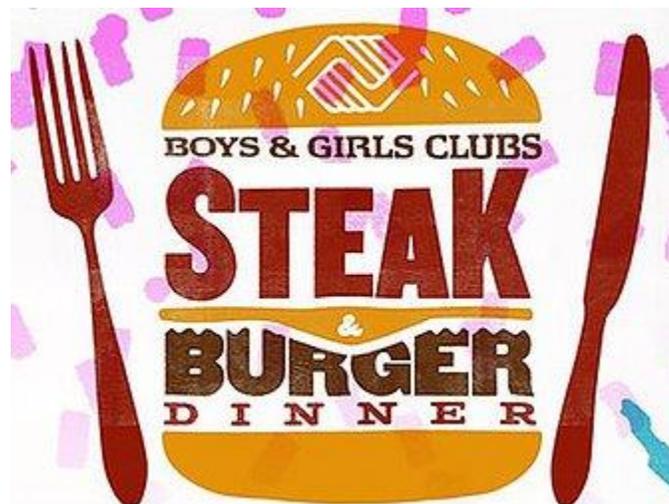
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2017, 6:00 P.M.

TIPTON COUNTY MUSEUM - 751 BERT JOHNSTON AVENUE

COVINGTON, TN 38019

CONTACT JAMESMOORE@BGCHRR.COM - (901) 476-0180

INDIVIDUAL TICKET PRICE: \$50





Railroad Crossing Repairs will have Some Covington Roads Closed

The Railroad Crossing on Industrial Road by Charms will be under construction from
September 25 – September 28
Industrial Road WILL BE CLOSED to thru traffic on those dates

The Railroad Crossing on East Ripley Street will be under construction from
September 27 – October 02
East Ripley Street WILL BE CLOSED to thru traffic on those dates

The Railroad Crossing on East Liberty Street by Covington Depot WILL BE CLOSED
to thru traffic October 3 – October 6

Mayor Hanson and Public Works Director David Gray inspected
railroad crossing progress this week on Industrial Road.



Masquerade™

Experience the Frenzy!

\$5 Jewelry and Accessories SALE

**Monday, October 2nd
7:00 am – 4:00 pm**

Baptist Memorial Hospital-Tipton

Proceeds benefit Tipton County Medical Scholarships

Cash & Debit/Credit Cards Accepted



[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 7th 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

Coffee with the Mayor

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

Tuesday, October 3
Tuesday, October 17
Tuesday, October 31
Tuesday, November 14
Tuesday, November 28
Tuesday, December 12

Little Jimmy's Lunch Box
Little Jimmy's Lunch Box

Domestic Violence Awareness Event in Covington will kick-off [Awareness Month](#)

On behalf of the Tipton County District Attorney's Office, I want to invite everyone to attend a Domestic Violence Awareness Event which will be held Thursday October 5, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., at the Courthouse on the Square front lawn. County Executive Jeff Huffman and Covington Mayor Justin Hanson will both be on hand to read Proclamations which proclaim that October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Tipton County and the city of Covington. We are asking everyone who attends to please bring a non-perishable or canned food item with you to donate to the Carl Perkins Center's food pantry, as several domestic violence victims have recently utilized their pantry. We will be giving out purple ribbons to raise awareness, as well as releasing purple balloons to honor the lives that have been lost to domestic violence in Tipton County and Covington. During Domestic Violence Awareness Month, we shine a light on this violation of the basic human right to be free from violence and abuse, pledge to ensure every victim of domestic violence knows they are not alone, and foster supportive communities that help survivors seek justice and enjoy full and healthy lives.

Please feel free to share this invitation with anyone else who may wish to attend. I look forward to seeing you all there! Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number listed below or by email.

Sincerely,

Lindsey R. Williams
Assistant District Attorney General
25th Judicial District
4709 Mueller Brass Road
Covington, TN 38019
901-475-2523
lwilliams@tndagc.org



TIPTON COUNTY
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VETERANS MEMORIAL
NATURE CENTER



YOGA IN THE GARDEN

Enjoy **FREE** outdoor Yoga classes
surrounded by the majestic beauty of
the Garden @ the Tipton County Museum
(weather permitting)

Tuesday October 3rd @ 5:00PM

Thursday October 5th @ 8:30AM

751 Bert Johnston Ave
Covington TN 38019

Bring a mat/blanket
& a friend



2ND ANNUAL
GOLF TOURNAMENT



OCTOBER

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1:00 PM

★ COVINGTON
COUNTRY ★
CLUB

The second annual Tipton Christian Academy golf tournament will be held Thursday, October 5th at 1pm at the Covington Country Club. All proceeds benefit the TCA Athletic Fund. Hamburger lunch served prior to tournament. For more information and to register, contact Beth Dunavant at 901-475-4990.

- 4-man scramble
- \$300 entry fee per team
- 2 flights
- 3 winners per flight
- Hole in One cash prize

WWW.TIPTONCHRISTIANACADEMY.COM

GIVE BLOOD

October 9th 10:00-1:00

9 Doctors Drive, Munford, TN

To aid the Texas and Florida

Hurricane Victims

Sponsored by Munford Cleaning Services

“Home of the Cleaning Ninjas”



Receive a \$25.00 off coupon when you donate



#SocialMediaBootcamp for Small Business

DATE: Thursday, October 16, 2017

TIME: 11:30 am-1:00 p.m..

WHERE: Sookie's Bake Shop
117 W. Court Square, Covington TN 38019

COST: Seminar is FREE for Chamber Members-
\$10 for non-members

INFO:

Are you capturing all you can for your business through social media ?
How can social media really help?
Facebook is free, yes! But, you get what you pay for!
Are you omni-channeling? What the heck is omni-channeling?
These topics, along with hot trends in social media use for small business success, will on the agenda for this first of three in our Small Business Lunch –n– Learn series!

**We can provide your lunch or bring your own.
Call before Friday, Oct 13th by 3pm to reserve your lunch.
Cost for lunch is additional \$10.**

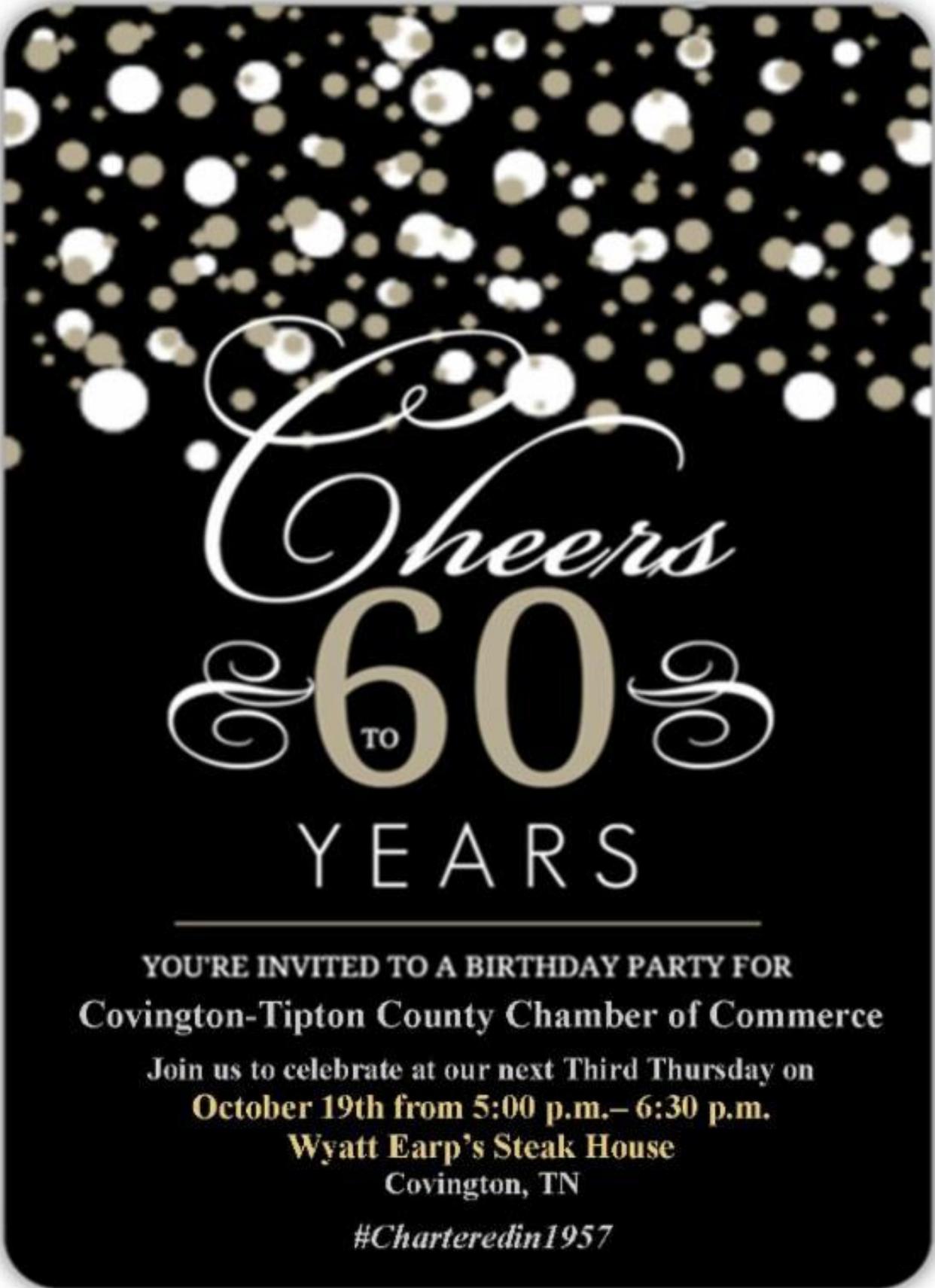
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Registration is preferred! Please call (901) 476-9727 to register for this seminar.



106 W. Liberty Ave.
Covington, TN 38019
(901) 476-9727



Cheers
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TO
YEARS

YOU'RE INVITED TO A BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR
Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce

Join us to celebrate at our next Third Thursday on
October 19th from 5:00 p.m.– 6:30 p.m.

Wyatt Earp's Steak House
Covington, TN

#Charteredin1957



OCTOBER 2017 SWIRL FOR LIFE

Join us in our Fight against Cancer

Swim, Run, and lift Weights to support Tipton County Relay for Life and the American Cancer Society. **Donate \$1 for every mile you run and lap you swim in October. Also donate 10 cents for every pound of your 1RM (once per every week).** Stop in to the Sportsplex or Covington Aquatics Center to sign up. **Not a member no problem. We will comp your membership for the month as long as you make your donation at the end of October.**



**ALL Proceeds
donated to TC
Relay for Life**

Help fight Cancer

Swim Laps

Run/Bike Miles

Lift Weights

**COVINGTON PARKS
AND RECREATION**

790 Bert Johnston Ave
Covington, TN 38019

(901) 476-3734

www.covingtontn.com

October 2017



Tipton-Rosemark Academy's
Middle School Theatre Department presents

Disney
Alice in
Wonderland
JR.



Performances are:

Thursday Oct. 19th

7:00pm

Friday Oct. 20th

7:00pm

Saturday Oct. 21st

7:00pm

Sunday Oct. 22nd

3:00pm

Ticket Prices:

\$8.00- Students

\$9.00- FAME members

\$12.00- Adults

Purchase tickets at:
www.tiptonrosemarkacademy.net



Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon

Friday, October 20, 2017

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Baptist Tipton Community Classroom

1995 Highway 51 South

Covington, TN 38019

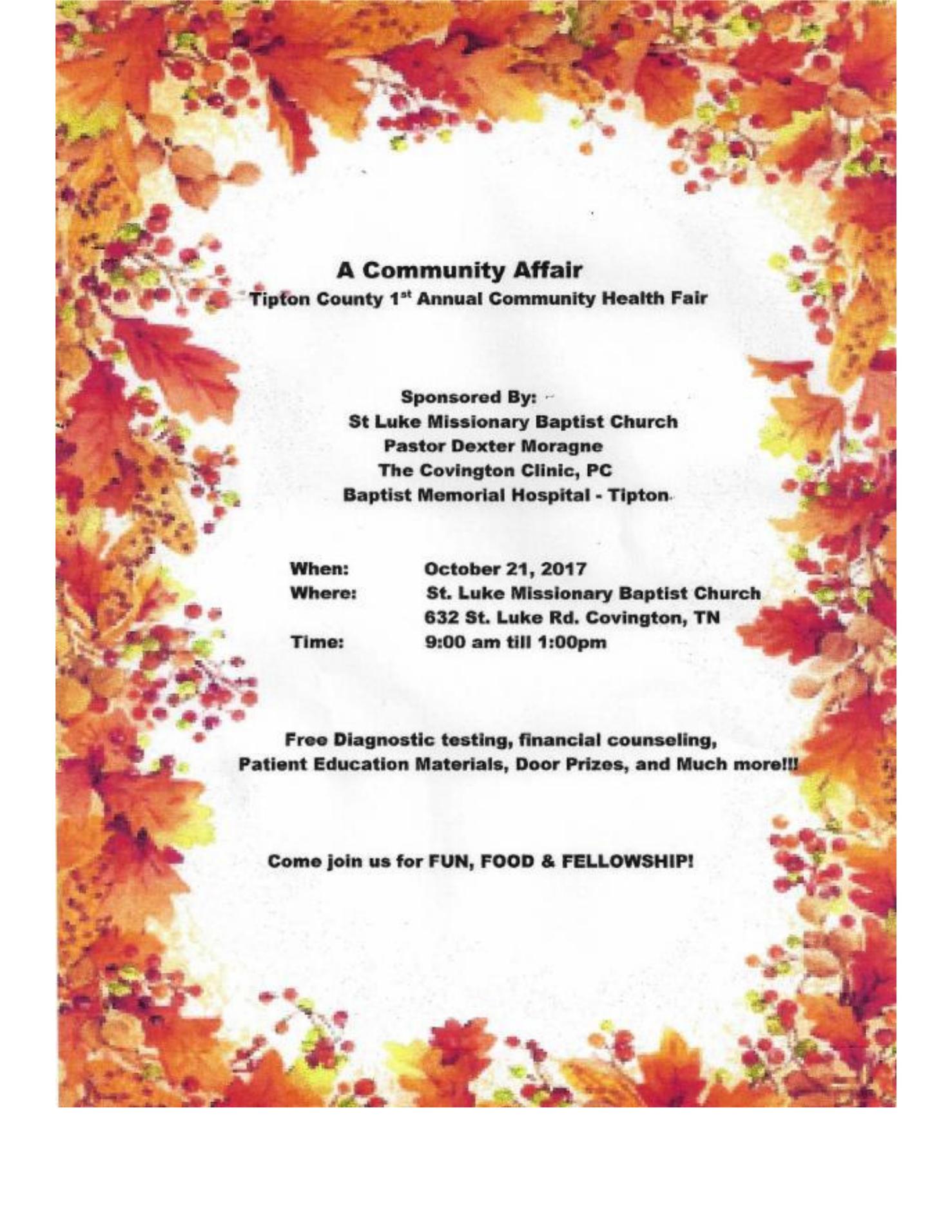
Call 901-475-5505 to Reserve your seat!



MASTER CHIEFS (BOOT CAMP) SUPER CIRCUIT

FREE OUTDOOR FITNESS CLASS SATURDAY OCTOBER 28

1300 (1:00PM) @COBB-PARR PARK



A Community Affair

Tipton County 1st Annual Community Health Fair

Sponsored By:

St Luke Missionary Baptist Church

Pastor Dexter Moragne

The Covington Clinic, PC

Baptist Memorial Hospital - Tipton.

When: October 21, 2017

**Where: St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church
632 St. Luke Rd. Covington, TN**

Time: 9:00 am till 1:00pm

**Free Diagnostic testing, financial counseling,
Patient Education Materials, Door Prizes, and Much more!!!**

Come join us for FUN, FOOD & FELLOWSHIP!

Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce

Gala and Awards

BOOTS
& Bling 2017

Save the Date!

Tickets on Sale October 1st!

Saturday, November 18th

Social Hour with Live Music 6:00pm

Dinner & Awards 7:00pm

Covington Country Club

Corporate Sponsorships Available. Contact Chamber Office at (901) 476-9727.



TIPTON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS...

1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1ST
BIRTH TO PRE-K
READ BOOKS AND WIN PRIZES!

According to reading and learning experts, reading aloud with your child is the single most important activity to prepare your child to learn to read. 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten can help your child to:

- Love books and reading
- Enjoy the library (their brains' playground!)
 - Learn new words
 - Be motivated and curious
 - Prepare for reading

Sign-Up Today!

This free program reinforces the fact that parents are their child's first and best teachers. 1000 Books Before Kindergarten helps parents give their children a solid learning foundation.

Join 1000 Books Before Kindergarten to help your preschooler get ready to read!

Win Prizes for every 100 Books Read.
Receive a book bag at 500 books.
Receive a free book, 1000 Books Before Kindergarten T-shirt, and certificate at 1000 books



Tipton County Public Library Fall Break Programs

oct. 7th

🍁 Family Storytime -
"Pirates!" 10:00am



🍁 Lego Club - 11:00am



oct. 9th

🍁 Teen Movie "Wonder Woman"
(ages 13-17) 4:30pm



oct. 10th

🍁 **STAR WARS** Reads! - 4:00pm

Need more info?
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oct. 11th

🍁 Lego Club - 2:00pm



oct. 12th

🍁 Preschool Storytime
"Monsters!"
10:00am & 2:00pm



🍁 Kids Movie Time
1:00pm

🍁 Make-It Program
4:00pm

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October 7th
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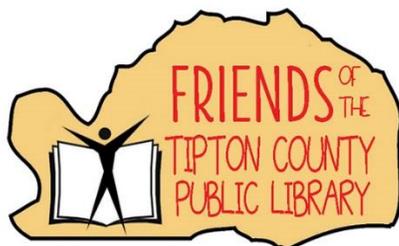
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October 30th

6:30 PM

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What's Happening at the Museum?

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

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

Tipton County Pulse

This week, Tipton County Museum Director Barrie Foster interviewed Tipton County Librarian Susan Cheairs on "Tipton County Pulse." Director Cheairs discussed changes she has seen in her eleven years at the library. She also discussed upcoming events and activities at the library. After the interview, Director Foster discusses news from the Museum. [Click HERE](#) to access this edition of TIPTON COUNTY PULSE.



Successful Gardening—An October Event at The Tipton County Museum!



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Saturday, October 7th : 10:00 - 11:30 A.M.

“Do You Have A Tennessee Smart Yard?”

- Guest Speaker – **Chris Cooper**, Shelby County Extension Agent & Host of WKNO’s “The Family Plot: Gardening in the Mid-South.”

Saturday, October 14th : 10:00 - 11:30 A.M.

“The True Story of Victorian Gardens”

- Guest Speaker – **Dominique Bellott**, Garden Historian.

Saturday, October 21st : 10:00 - 11:30 A.M.

“How to Identify Plant Diseases”

- Guest Speaker – **Booker T. Leigh**, Shelby County Extension Agent & Host of WYPL Channel 18’s “What’s Growing On.”

**** Saturday, October 28nd : 10:00 - 11:30 A.M. ****

“Grandfather’s Vegetable Garden”

- Guest Speaker – **Sherl Rose**, Tipton County Master Gardener & Founder of “The Hippie Homesteader.”

**** Bring seeds and cuttings to share with others.**

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Georgia O'Keeffe March 4, 2017

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Paul Cezanne July 8, 2017

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Wassily Kandinsky November 18, 2017

"Winter Landscape"



Veteran of the Month Honored with Reception at Museum

Tuesday night family, friends, and fellow veterans gathered at the Tipton County Museum to honor Vietnam Veteran Terry Wayne McWilliams, who is the Veteran of the Month for September, 2017. The Girls Scouts once again provided delicious refreshments.

He is pictured with his wife Brenda McWilliams, and his stepdaughter Jackie Lavell King, who nominated him for this honor. His grandchildren were also there - Anthony, Breleen, Madison, and Jackie.



Veteran of the Month Terry Wayne McWilliams thanked the Girls Scouts (above) for serving refreshments at the reception held in his honor at the Tipton County Museum. His family and grandchildren also attended in his support. He was nominated by step-daughter Jackie King.





**The Tipton County Veterans
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**Veteran of the Month for
September 2017**

Terry Wayne McWilliams



Terry Wayne McWilliams was living in Halls, Tennessee, when he joined the U.S. Navy at the age of 18 on September 28, 1963. After completing boot camp in San Diego, California, his first orders were to report to the USS Isle Royale (AD-29), a repair ship homeported in Long Beach, just up the coast from San Diego. While onboard, he enjoyed deployments to Hawaii, Japan, Hong Kong, and Subic Bay.

His next deployment was destined to be very different. In 1967, his ship received orders to Chu Lai, Vietnam, to assist in salvage operations of two Landing Ship, Tanks (LSTs) that had run aground. His ship arrived in Vietnam during monsoon season. Unable to wait for clear weather, they unloaded supplies in 30 mph winds and sheets of pouring rain. As the sole Cargo Boom Operator, Terry worked without relief from beginning to end of the operation. Needless to say, it took many long hours to remove all the cargo from the grounded vessels; and both the crew and cargo were equally soaked!

Once that task was successfully completed, Terry was assigned to an LST to ferry supplies from ship to shore. Often he and the crew spent nights ashore in make shift houses that let all the rain in, sleeping on soaking wet bedding. During one run, their LST's engine stopped running, leaving them adrift in the channel and sitting ducks for the enemy. It took an inordinate amount of time for help to arrive to tow them back to the USS Isle Royal (AD-29). They soon learned that the man who last serviced the LST had changed the oil but had failed to put oil back in the engine! A rookie mistake that could have cost them their lives, but thankfully didn't.

After four years of service, Seaman Terry Wayne McWilliams was honorably discharged on September 27, 1967, and returned home to Halls. He later learned that his brother Ronnie (now deceased) was serving in Vietnam in the U.S. Army at the same time that Terry was there. Unbeknownst to them, they were only about 30 to 40 miles apart.

For his service to our country, Terry was awarded the Vietnam Service Medal with Bronze Star and the National Defense Service Medal.

Terry moved to Covington many years ago and loves his life here. He is a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Terry believes that it's important not to forget those who served in Vietnam, especially those who didn't return. He and his wife Brenda are members of First United Pentecostal Church in Covington. He is proud of his children, stepchildren, and his grandchildren. His grandchildren are Anthony, Breleen, Madison, and Josh, who served in the U.S. Navy. Terry was nominated for Veteran of the Month by his step daughter, Jackie King.

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