

Highlights from the week of
November 25 – December 1 *

Finance and Administration Committee Decide on Name of City's New Special Events Center, Approves moving forward on grants, and discussed Police Facility.

The Finance and Administration Committee met at Covington City Hall on November 21, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. for their regular monthly meeting with the following members present: Chairman Alderman C H Sullivan, Mayor Justin Hanson, Aldermen: John Edwards, Jere Hadley, Drew Glass, and Mac McGowan. Also present were: Building Official Lessie Fisher, Police Chief Buddy Lewis, Fire Chief Michael Naifeh, David Gwinn, Personnel Director Tiny Barton, City Attorney Rachel Witherington, Events Coordinator Karen Griffin, A2H Representative Pat Harcourt, and Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn.

Chairman Alderman C H Sullivan called meeting to order at 1:00 and asked Special events Coordinator Karen Griffin to begin.

Mrs. Griffin presented the new logos for the newly renovated building – former First Baptist Church. A request to change the name of the building was made, including The Covington City Center, Covington Civic Center, and Covington Center.

Motion was made by Alderman Drew Glass and seconded by Alderman C H Sullivan to accept the logo with the sun rays and the name of the building **Covington Civic Center**. Motion passed.

Personnel Director Tiny Barton presented the Resolution for a “Safety Partners” Matching Grant offered by the Tennessee Municipal League. This is a grant for up to \$10,000.00 with a 50% match from the City, and it was applied for to provide security lighting and other security equipment at the Covington Civic Center. Motion was made by Alderman Mac McGowan and seconded by Alderman Jere Hadley to refer the Resolution to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for a vote pending upon verification there are funds from other line items to cover the match for this grant. Motion passed.

Mayor Justin Hanson presented the Resolution for the Select Tennessee Development Grant (SDG). This grant would be used for a water line extension to Rialto Industrial Park. The cost of this project will be \$380,400.00 with the city being responsible for approximately \$76,000.00. A motion was made by Alderman Jere Hadley and seconded by Alderman C H Sullivan to authorize the Resolution for the SDG Grant to be used for a water line extension to Rialto Industrial Park. Motion passed.

Discussion began on the new police facility. Pat Harcourt reported there had been work on the cutting of expenses which totaled \$186,000.00. This would bring the project cost to \$6,491,000.00. There is a contingency amount of \$764,000.00 which is 15% of the total project cost. Mayor Justin Hanson reported the \$144,000.00 balance in the Artesian Fund could be used for the demolition and asbestos abatement of the Senior Citizen Building. Alderman Edwards is concerned about the possibility of grants being available to help with the funding of this facility. Police Chief Buddy Lewis and Pat Harcourt responded that neither of them were aware of any grants or other funding opportunities available for the police facility, other than the options we have already considered. Other concerns with the project are the total cost of the project, the availability of funds to cover the required payments, and the time frame of the conversion process. Attorney Rachel Witherington reported the conversion process has already begun, as approved by committee several weeks ago. There is a possibility of a time line being from 18 months to 24 months, but it was her opinion that the

process will go as fast as we gather the information necessary and push it at the state and federal level. Some conversion procedures could be longer. Pat Harcourt recommended to the Committee to start a negotiation process with the financing institutions. Mayor Hanson informed the committee that the \$6,491,000.00 price tag is NOT just for a building including contingency, but is an *estimate* that INCLUDES the demolition of the existing (empty) building – including asbestos abatement, the removal and rebuilding of the tennis courts and basketball courts currently located on the property, the preparation of the land for construction, and construction of the new facility. Hanson also reiterated that as a result of a recent survey conducted by the City, public safety ranked as the top priority, which indicates people support making improvements and supporting our police department.

Motion was made by Alderman Jere Hadley and seconded by Alderman Mac McGowan to commit the balance of the Artesian Funds to demolish the old grammar school building. Motion failed with nay votes from Edwards, Glass, Hanson, and Sullivan.

Motion was made by Alderman Mac McGowan and seconded by Alderman Jere Hadley to proceed with the funding through TML Bond Fund. Motion failed with nay votes by Edwards, Hanson, Glass, and Hadley.

Alderman Mac McGowan requested Mayor Hanson to find out the cost that would be charged to the City if we disbanded out police department and asked Tipton County to acquire officers to patrol the City. Alderman Edwards requested to go on record he was not in support of the liquidation of the Covington Police Department. Sullivan and Glass also would not be in support of this. Alderman Glass stated there is a need for the facility but concerned with the availability of funds to cover the cost. Chief Lewis requested the committee to set a cost that they could approve and move forward.

Motion was made by Alderman John Edwards and seconded by Alderman C H Sullivan to take this discussion under consideration with the Recorder Treasurer to bring back numbers for verification of funding. Motion passed.

Discussion began on the Slum Ordinance. Alderman Edwards stated there was not a motion to bring this Ordinance for discussion back to the Committee. City Attorney Rachel Witherington discussed the differences between the Zoning Ordinance and the Slum Ordinance percentages. She discussed with the committee that the 75% figure in the zoning ordinance - which the committee wanted to be the same in the slum ordinance - was under “Non-Confirming Structures.” She stated that non-confirming use structures and blight regulation and eradication are not the same thing, and therefore there was no reason for the two percentages to be the same. She reported that she had researched the slum ordinances of surrounding communities and discovered that Ripley, Halls, Munford, Atoka, and Somerville all used 50% as the reasonable percentage. She made clear to the committee that the proposed slum ordinance currently being considered by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen was modeled directly after state law and was what was recommended by MTAS. She recommended that the City’s slum ordinance set the reasonable percentage at 50% due to safety concerns, and to make the upcoming blight grant the most effective it can be.

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 3:52 p.m.

DEPARTMENTAL TIDBITS

“keeping you up-to-date with what’s going on in our city”

HUMAN RESOURCES & SPECIAL EVENTS:

Career Opportunities:

[Lifeguard](#)

[Police Dept](#)

[Grounds Maintenance Keeper](#)

- **You are invited to attend the COVINGTON CIVIC CENTER *OPEN HOUSE* on December 15 at the new facility at 100 West Washington from 9:00 – 11:00. Come and see our beautiful event center that is ready for your next big event.**

PUBLIC WORKS AND STREETS:

- **Alfonzo Richardson and Jeremy Cates assisted Mr. Bill Tucker on our annual Cathodic Protection Survey. Cathodic Protection is a technique used to control the corrosion of metal surface by making it the cathode of an electrochemical cell. A simple method of protection connects the metal to be protected to a more easily corroded “sacrificial metal” to act as the anode. We use cathodic protection technique to prevent our iron and steel natural gas lines from corrosion caused by soils containing water. This helps maintain our metal surfaces and keeps the costs of operation in the City of Covington low for our customers.**



It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! Crews have been busy cleaning, decorating and getting our city ready for the holidays!



Covington's leaf vacuum crew is working overtime to pick up leaves. Please be patient and keep us informed where there are needs 901-476-9613 ext 118 or 113



PARKS AND RECREATION:

The Sportsplex was closed Sunday and Monday for renovations. The facility got new flooring in the locker rooms and is also getting new equipment and lockers.



Covington Aquatic Center:

- **Lifeguard classes begin SATURDAY, December 2. Call 901-476-3734 or 901-476-9178 for more information.**

MUSEUM:

Last Tuesday, Eagle Scout Tony Hilbert was honored at the City Board Meeting for creating tree identification signs and a map of the Nature Trail at the Tipton County Museum.



- **Museum Director Barrie Foster has placed an order for one dozen engraved bricks that will be in the sidewalk in front of the museum. The proceeds of the brick sales will go towards the funding of the addition at the museum.**



**Parks & Recreation
Team Member
in the Spotlight**

**SHERRI ONORATI
MUSEUM ARCHIVIST**



Sherri is an island girl who doesn't like seafood, having grown up on the beautiful island of Bermuda. She is a retired Navy veteran with more than 22 years of active duty service working as a media specialist. Her love of history and genealogy make her a perfect fit for the Tipton County Museum where she has been working as the Museum's archivist and program coordinator for more than a year. Although, a continuing work in progress, she has enhanced and expanded the Museum's exhibits, researching to tell more of Tipton County's rich history. When she's not out riding her Harley Fatboy, she can be found researching genealogy or perusing antique stores for treasures.

Sherri has a BS in Operational Management from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University and a MaEd in Adult Education and Instructional Design. She is very active in the community and believes volunteering makes a community stronger. She currently serves as the president of the Friends of the Tipton County Public Library board and is a board member for the Association for the Preservation of African-American History and Culture in Tipton County. She has also served on the boards of the Ruffin Theater and the Tipton County Commission on Aging.

Sherri has been married to Gary Steven, the love of her life and a retired Marine, for 28 years and they have three sons, Riean 27, Nikolai 25 and Takoda 21 and two grandsons, Liam 6 and Rowan 3. They have resided in Covington for the past 16 years.

Tipton County Museum Archivist Sherri Onorati is the Covington Parks & Recreation "Team Member in the Spotlight".

Covington Ushers in Christmas Season with Parade Last Monday

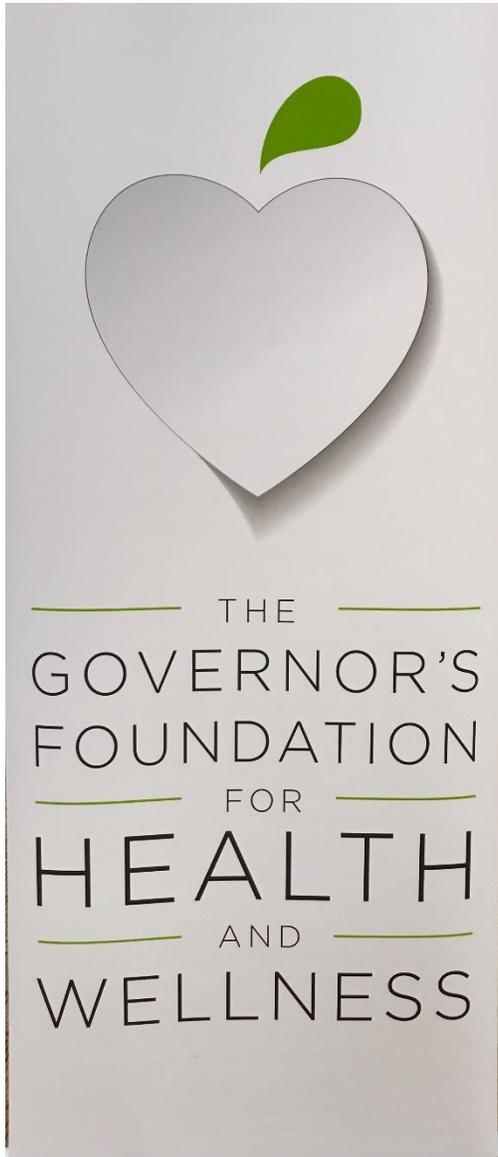
Covington held the first municipal Christmas parade in Tipton County last Monday night to usher in the Christmas holidays. It was a big parade, the weather was nice, and people turned out in large numbers to get into the Christmas spirit!





Tipton County Receives Governor's Recognition as a Healthier Tennessee Community

The health statistics for Tennessee weren't looking good – not at all. Tennessee ranked in the bottom 10% in terms of good health. Not only were more children and adults being stricken by chronic diseases linked to diet and lifestyle choices, it was having an economic impact on our state's economy. Absenteeism from work and school, health care costs, and other pitfalls of poor health were costing the State of Tennessee \$.32 for EVERY dollar spent. So, Governor Haslam initiated the Governor's Foundation for Health and Wellness. Since this has been introduced across the State, we have seen trends in a more positive direction – particularly in childhood obesity. Tipton County has been recognized for our efforts to inform and engage our people in lifestyle improvements.



Covington Chargers Played Hard and Showed Promise in State Title game at Tennessee Tech in Cookeville

After fighting their way to the State Championship game, the 2017 Chargers played tough and were much improved over their appearances at "State" in 2000, 2003, and 2012.

They were named State Runner-Up Champs.

They are **CHARGER STRONG** and we are **CHARGER PROUD!**



DSCC to Host Artist Reception featuring Paintings by Judge Jody Walker

An art exhibit by Judge Jody Walker is currently on display at the Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) Jimmy Naifeh Center in Covington. His paintings will be on display through Feb. 19, 2018, throughout the Ripley Power and Light Lobby inside the Learning Resource Center, Student Center and Tipton County Public Library. An artist's reception will be held at this location Thursday, Nov. 30, from 6:30-8 p.m.

Judge Walker graduated from Rhodes College in 1967 and later received a law degree from Memphis State University in 1976. He served as a private attorney before being appointed judge of Ripley and chancellor of the former 9th Chancery Division. He has served as judge of the 25th Circuit Court since 1990. Judge Walker and his wife, Danna, both enjoy painting. His art is described as a unique style of pointillism while Danna enjoys painting whimsical designs. The public is invited to view the Walkers' work through Feb. 19.

Join us for Coffee with the Mayor



*Please Join Us for coffee and conversations -
7:30 - 9:00*

Tuesday, December 12 Little Jimmy's 511 E. Liberty

Tuesday, January 9 Pappy & Jimmie's 749 N. Main Street

Tuesday, January 23 Pappy & Jimmie's 749 N. Main

Tuesday, February 6 Pappy & Jimmie's 749 N. Main

Tuesday, February 20 Pappy & Jimmie's 749 N. Main

Tuesday, March 6 Pappy & Jimmie's 749 N. Main

Tuesday, March 20 Pappy & Jimmie's 749 N. Main

Tuesday, April 3 Sookies Bake Shop on the Square

Tuesday, April 17 Sookies Bake Shop on the Square

Tuesday May 1 Sookies Bake Shop on the Square

Tuesday May 15 Sookies Bake Shop on the Square

DSCC to Host Memphis Symphony Orchestra's Magic of Memphis Holiday Spectacular



The Memphis Symphony Orchestra and Chorus are coming to Dyersburg State Community College for one night only, bringing the Magic of Memphis Holiday Spectacular performance to the E.H. Lannom, Jr. Gymnasium in Dyersburg Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m.

The Memphis Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Principal Conductor Robert Moody, is composed of over 60 musicians consisting of strings, woodwinds, brass and percussion. Artistic Director Dr. Lawrence Edwards leads the Memphis Symphony Chorus, as they join the Orchestra with their vocal renditions of classical holiday songs.

Tickets are \$50 for priority seating, \$15 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. To purchase tickets, contact Beth Feith at 731-286-3345 or feith@dsc.edu. Tickets can also be purchased at the Business Office inside the Eller Administration Building on the Dyersburg campus.

DSCC Choir 'Singsation' to Perform Christmas Concert

Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) has announced that its student choir 'Singsation' will perform "**Carols and Bells: A Christmas Concert**" Dec. 5, at 6:30 p.m., inside the Baptist Memorial Health Care Academic Building Auditorium at the DSCC **Jimmy Naifeh Center in Covington**. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Director Desiree Dolan at 731-286-3389 or ddolan@dsc.edu.



Ribbon Cutting was Held for New Chamber Member



Tobacco Junction has opened and also joined the Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce. They were joined by Mayor Hanson and members of the Chamber for the ceremony.

Hannah Turner Named 2017 Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholar

Hannah Turner of Covington, a student at Dyersburg State Community College, has been selected to receive a \$1,000 scholarship from Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society as a 2017 Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholar. Hannah was selected based on her outstanding academic achievement and civic leadership. She currently has a 3.92 grade-point average (GPA) and attends classes at the DSCC Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County.

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation provides \$200,000 in funding for the scholarships, with \$25,000 set aside for members who are veterans or active members of the U.S. military. The remaining amount is supported by donations to the Phi Theta Kappa Foundation and provides Leaders of Promise Global Scholarships, earmarked for international students.

“The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation has a long history of providing financial assistance to outstanding students at community colleges,” said J. Mark Davis, President of the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation. “We are proud to partner with Phi Theta Kappa, make it possible for more deserving students to achieve their educational goals, and support tomorrow’s leaders of the global community.”

The funds provided by the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation not only aid college completion, but also give students the opportunity to engage in Society programs and develop leadership skills to become future leaders in their communities.



“Research shows that Phi Theta Kappa members are four times more likely to complete a college degree than their peers,” said Dr. Monica Marlowe, Executive Director of the Phi Theta Kappa Foundation. “The Leaders of Promise Scholarships recognize students for what they have achieved already and assure that financial need isn’t an obstacle to achieving their academic goals.”

Phi Theta Kappa is the premier honor society recognizing the academic achievement of community college students and helping them to grow as scholars and leaders. The Society is made up of more than 3 million members and nearly 1,300 chapters in nine nations. Learn more at ptk.org.



Mark Your Calendar

- December 02 – Lifeguard Class begins – scroll down for more information.....
- December 02 – Mason Christmas Parade – 1:00
- December 02 – Munford Christmas Parade – 5:00
- December 02 – Memphis Symphony plays Christmas at DSCC in Dyersburg – 7:30 pm
- December 04 – Brighton Christmas Parade – 7:00
- December 5 – SINGSATION Christmas Concert at DSCC in Covington – 6:30 – FREE!
- December 09 – Hughey Strong Flag Football Tournament – CHS – call 901-485-7019 for information
- December 09 – DICKENS on the SQUARE 10:00 – 7:00
- December 12 - Coffee with the Mayor at Little Jimmy's – 511 East Liberty St. 7:30 – 9:00
- December 12 – 14 – Disney's [MULAN](#) at Covington Integrated Arts Academy – scroll down for more.
- December 14 – Lifeblood at Covington City Hall – 9:00 – 2:00
- December 15 – OPEN HOUSE at the NEW Covington Civic Center 9:00 – 11:00.
- December 22 – City Hall will close at NOON
- December 25 & 26 – City Hall CLOSED for Christmas
- December 29 – City Hall will close at 3:00
- January 1 – City Hall CLOSED for New Year's Day



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

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[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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Registration open for Spring 2018 Classes at DSCC

DSCC is currently open for all current, new and readmitting students and will last through Jan. 17. Students are encouraged to register for classes as soon as possible to ensure best class selection. Advisors are ready now to meet with students about their educational and career goals. Classes will begin Jan. 16 with fees due before midnight Jan. 11 or at the time of registration for those registering after that date.

Students may apply online with no application fee at www.dsc.edu. Here they can also find information on courses available and programs of study including Advanced Integrated Industrial Technology (AIIT), Computer Information Systems, Early Childhood Education, Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT), Nursing and Paramedic. More programs of study can be found at www.dsc.edu. Also available are 27 Tennessee Transfer Pathways (TTP) programs such as Agriculture, Business, History, Criminal Justice, Psychology, Physical Therapy and Pre-Occupational Therapy. TTP programs allow students to save money on tuition by taking the first two years at DSCC and then easily transferring to a four-year university or college to obtain a bachelor's degree.

DSCC offers programs of study at three convenient locations in West Tennessee: Dyersburg, Covington and Trenton. For more information on registration or to make an appointment to meet with an advisor, contact a One Stop Center at the Dyersburg campus at 731-286-3350, the Gibson County Center in Trenton at 731-855-1419, or the Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County at 901-475-3100.



Youth Recreational Basketball

Covington Parks & Recreation has teamed up once again with the Junior **Grizzlies** for the 2018 Youth Basketball Season!!!!

ONLY \$45

Until December 1st

ALL PLAYERS RECEIVE

- A Memphis Grizzlies-Junior Grizzlies reversible jersey
- One FREE Memphis Grizzlies home game ticket
- A Certificate of Participation signed by a Grizzlies Player



JUNIOR GRIZZLIES



Ages 6 -17

Church Teams Discounts

- \$400 per team **Until December 1st**
- Max 10 players per team



Scan to sign up now to reserve a spot & pay later (before the season starts in January)



Call 901-476-3734 for more details





AMERICAN RED CROSS **LIFEGUARD CLASS**

Become a certified Lifeguard

The Covington Aquatic Center will offer the American Red Cross Lifeguard Course starting December 2. Students must pass the pre-course session in order to receive more information regarding class times and other requirements. The cost for the course is \$175.00, includes course manual. Course outline and syllabus will be given to each student after successful completion of the pre-course session. All students are required to attend all scheduled classes. Students must be 15 years of age prior to December 21, 2017 to register for the course. Please contact the Covington Aquatic Center at (901) 476-9178 to register for pre-course session.

Instructor Information

Liz Turnbull received her Instructor Certification from the American Red Cross in August 2014. She has taught this course many times, both as a blended learning and classroom format. She also maintains her base level lifeguard certification as well as Water Safety Instructor certification.

**Pre-course session:
Saturday Dec. 2 at
10:00am**

Pre-course skills:

500 Meter swim

**2 minute tread
without hands**

**Timed weight
retrieve**

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2017

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The Musical Jr

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Thomas Meehan AND Bob Martin Chad Sklar
Matthew Beguelin

BASED ON THE NEW LINE CINEMA FILM WRITTEN BY
David Berenbaum

December 1, 2, 8 & 9 at 7pm
December 3 & 10 at 2pm
Buy tickets at ruffin.theater

Elf The Musical JR. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, New York, NY

**Saturday
December 2nd**

Admission: \$5

Team Entry: \$50

West Tennessee Farmer's Market

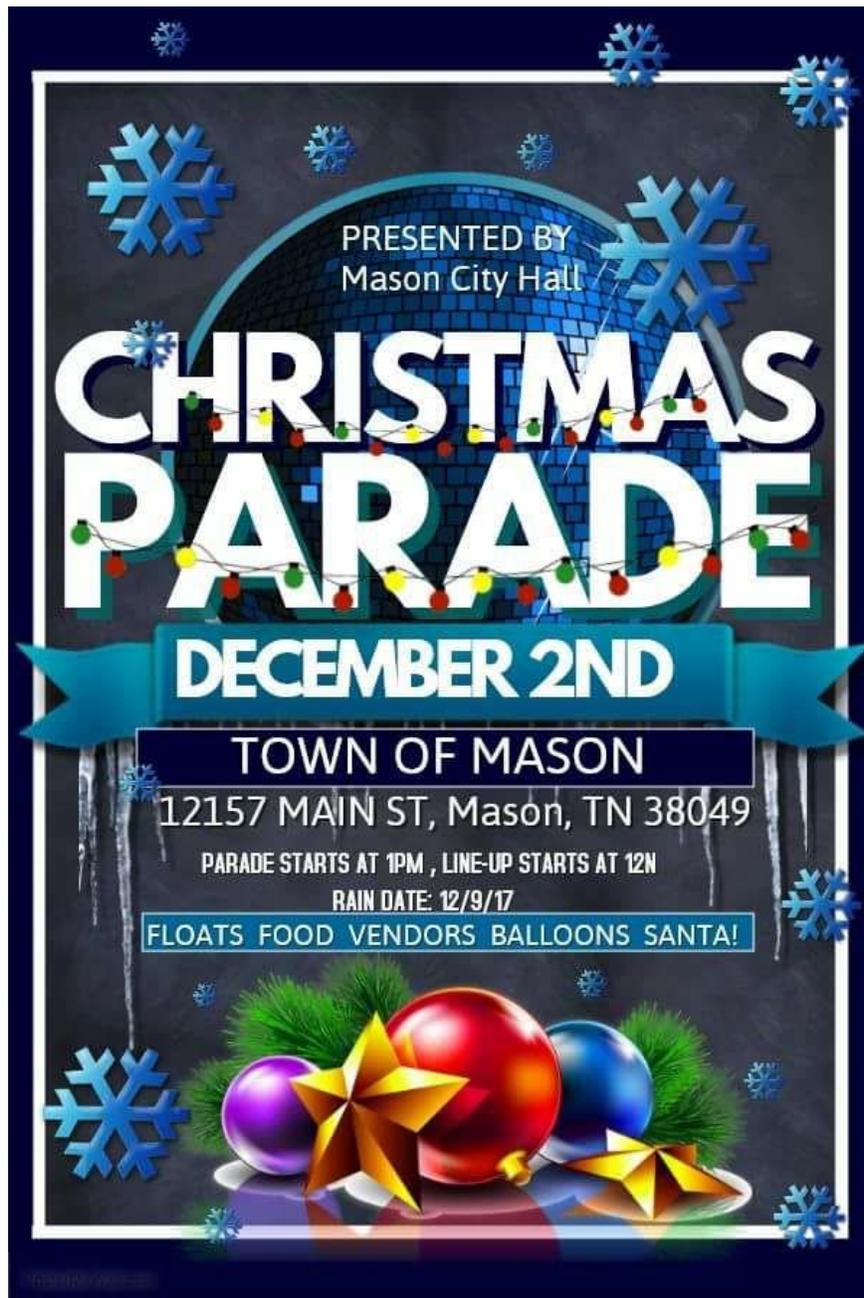


As part of Jackson's 3rd annual Christmas-In-The City, this is a wonderful event to kick off the Holiday Season on Saturday December 2, 2017, thanks to the Jackson Chamber and the West Tennessee Farmers Market. The **HubCity Chili Cookoff** benefits the Exchange Club – Carl Perkins Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse. We are inviting all kinds of cooking groups to form a chili-cooking team and show the community their stuff! The categories include Amateur and Professional (licensed eatery) and the entry fee is only \$50. Awards will be given by a panel of judges in both professional and amateur categories along with a People's Choice winner selected by the crowd! Please review the [Rules and Regulations](#) for all requirements.

**Register Your
Team**

The public can also join in the fun for only \$5.00 each to receive an armband and spoon. Your armband allows entry to the Cookoff and sampling of all the chili you can handle. Each team is vying for The People's Choice award. If you like a particular team's chili, simply vote by making a donation to the team's jar at their booth. The amateur and professional teams with the most in donations at the end of the competition wins The People's Choice award in their respective category.

**Purchase Tickets
Now**



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CHRISTMAS PARADE

DECEMBER 2ND

TOWN OF MASON
12157 MAIN ST, Mason, TN 38049

PARADE STARTS AT 1PM , LINE-UP STARTS AT 12N
RAIN DATE: 12/9/17

FLOATS FOOD VENDORS BALLOONS SANTA!

The poster features a dark blue background with several large, stylized blue snowflakes. A string of colorful Christmas lights (red, green, yellow, blue) is draped across the text. At the bottom, there are colorful Christmas ornaments (red, blue, purple) and gold stars on a reflective surface. Icicles hang from the sides of the central text area.



Saturday, December 2nd, 5:00 pm
Munford Christmas Parade & Tree Lighting
Downtown Munford and City Park

After the Tree Lighting
Celebrate Christmas with Munford Parks and Recreation!
Pictures with Santa,
hot cocoa, indoor movie and more!

The poster has a red and white striped border. On the left is a cartoon illustration of Santa Claus, and on the right is a cartoon reindeer with a red bow on its head. The text is in a bold, red, serif font.



CHRISTMAS PARADE

Brighton Tennessee
December 4, 2017 @ 7pm

Dyersburg State Community College Choir 'Singsation' Presents

Carols & Bells

A Christmas Concert

Tuesday, December 5, 2017

6:30 p.m.

Admission is free and open to the public!

**DSCC Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County
Baptist Memorial Health Care Academic Building Auditorium**



Dickens On the Square

Covington, TN

SATURDAY, DEC 9TH

(ONE DAY only)

10AM - 7PM

Shopping, Christmas Refreshments, Carolers, Horse-Drawn Carriage Rides and
Lighting of the Community Christmas Tree at 7pm on the Courthouse Lawn





Disney's
MULAN JR.

Day Performances
December 12th-14th 9:00 am & 12:30 pm
Night Performance:
December 14th @6 pm

Covington Integrated Arts Academy
Admission: Adults \$5,
Field Trip \$2 per student
(Field Trip Chaperones are free)

Contact Dr. Bonnie Wright to reserve your group at
bwright@tipton-county.com

Sponsored by CIAA Arts Booster

In association with Tipton Arts Council





**ART CLASSES by BARBARA McBRIDE
FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES!
Call 901-237-4006 for information**



Covington City Hall

In the Lifeblood Bus

Thursday, December 14th from 9:00am - 2:00pm

**For more information, or to make an appointment, please
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**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15TH
9 A.M. UNTIL 11A.M.**

**COVINGTON CIVIC CENTER
100 WEST WASHINGTON AVENUE
CCOVINGTON, TN 38019**

*Cut a ribbon
with us!*
9:15am

**PLEASE JOIN US
For Refreshments and
A Tour Of Our New
Venue!**



For more information, contact
Karen Griffin at
901-475-7170

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DYERSBURG STATE **Reconnect**

Coming Fall 2018!

Ready to Reconnect? Get started now!
Whether you're ready to return to college or starting for the first time, we've got you covered - tuition free!

What is TN Reconnect?

TN Reconnect is an initiative to help adults enter higher education to gain new skills, advance in the workplace, and fulfill lifelong dreams of completing a degree or certificate. It provides adult students with a last dollar scholarship - allowing them to attend Dyersburg State Community College **tuition-free!**

What are the Eligibility Requirements?

In order to receive the Dyersburg State Reconnect Scholarship, students must:

- Meet DSCC admissions requirements. Visit www.dsccl.edu/admissions/admissions-requirements.
- Complete the 2018-2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at <https://fafsa.ed.gov>. DSCC's federal school code is 006835. The sooner you fill out the FAFSA, the better! Students may fill out the FAFSA beginning October 1, 2017.
- Enroll in at least 6 credit hours per semester.
- Be classified as an independent student (see FAFSA criteria).
- Not have earned an associate or bachelor's degree.
- Be a Tennessee resident for at least one year before completing the FAFSA.
- Not be in default on a federal or state loan or owe a refund of federal or state financial aid. Contact the DSCC Financial Aid Office at 731-286-3350 for assistance if this applies to you.
- Be registered for selective service if applicable. Visit www.sss.gov for more information.

www.TNReconnect.gov

For more information, contact Rebecca Reeves, Adult Student Coordinator, at 731-288-7514 or reeves@dsccl.edu.



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Cooperative Extension



Take a look at the upcoming programs and events from our friends at the Tipton County Extension Office...

[Click here to view flyers for upcoming 4-H and Master Gardener events!](#)

[The Library Corner](#)

Tipton County Public Library News

[Check out what's in store for you at our local Library this month!](#)



What's Happening at the Museum?

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

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

New Sports Coordinator, Eric McGaha, Helps Wherever Needed



New Sports Coordinator Eric McGaha helped place banners at the Tipton County Museum last week. Eric is a graduate of Delta State University with a degree in sports science. We welcome him to Covington and to the Covington Sportsplex.





The Tipton County Museum, Veterans Memorial & Nature Center
Expansion Campaign:

Building for the Next Generation

As the Museum approaches its 20th year, the realization is we have outgrown the current facility and the necessity for expansion is essential. The Tipton County Museum is asking for the community's financial support in its endeavor to preserve Tipton County's rich cultural history.

Your contribution to the Museum's Expansion Fund is both necessary and appreciated. You can stop by with your donation, call the Museum to have a donation form mailed to you, visit our website at <http://www.covingtontn.com/museum.html> to download a donation form or donate online at: <https://tms.ezfacility.com/OnlineRegistrations/Register.aspx?CompanyID=5427&GroupID=1960714>.

Thank you for your help in preserving our legacy!

20 Years at the Tipton County Museum:
Embracing the Future While Honoring the Past
Tipton County Museum, Veterans Memorial & Nature Center
751 Bert Johnston Ave., P.O. Box 768,
Covington, TN 38019
(901) 476-0242





The Tipton County Museum
Presents

Artist Series For Kids PABLO PICASSO

When: Saturday, December 2, 2017, 10 a.m.— noon.

Where: Tipton County Museum, 751 Bert Johnston Ave., Covington, TN

Fee: \$20 Museum Members, \$25 General Public

Children will learn about one of history's most fascinating artists, Pablo Picasso, then will paint his "Portrait of Dora Maar" in acrylics. A sibling discount is available, and a snack will be provided. Ages 10 and up.

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751 Bert Johnston Avenue
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Gioiello Featured Artist



Cindy Scott

Cindy Scott, a freelance Medical Illustrator, has been illustrating for the past 25 years for many medical companies.

She has always loved art in all forms since she was a child! She loves working with many different mediums in her spare time. Being very detailed as a medical illustrator, she carries that over into her paintings, murals and faux wall textures, enjoying the challenge of capturing all the details. Being from Southern Louisiana, she favors painting southern features such as swamps, magnolias, pelicans and beaches.

An award winning artist, she likes to paint in acrylics with modeling paste on canvas.
