

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE WEEK OF

June 16 – June 22 \*



Thoughts and perceptions from  
Mayor Justin Hanson

*Dear Friends,*

Although recent temps gave us a hint of summer, the calendar now says summer is *officially* here! Summer is a great time of the year – the kids are out of school, many families take vacations or get together for reunions, teachers get time to relax, recoup, and plan for the next school year, and we enjoy our porches, patios, grills, and yards. In the city, we close our books at the end of June and begin a new fiscal year July 1<sup>st</sup>, we adjust work crew hours so they are not outside during the hottest part of the day, we provide Tipton County's ONLY *public* fitness facility, gym, *and* pool... and we must maintain hundreds of acres of land in our parks, cemeteries, and along city streets. I'd like to take this time to give kudos to the people doing all of those things that keep our city looking great, those who provide services, and to everybody for keeping our people happy.

We recently celebrated Public Works Week in the City of Covington where we gave tribute to those men and women who are at work outside in the heat of summer, in the cold of winter, and are some of the first to be called in a weather emergency. They must mow and weed-eat hundreds of acres, do the heavy lifting of street repairs, work along steaming hot asphalt, and get down in ditches. Folks, this work isn't easy, but it is *necessary* for our city to be safe, work properly, and be aesthetically pleasing. It is important – and I very much appreciate what these people do. **Everything** is important – **there are no small parts!** Public safety comes in many shapes, and certainly our police officers, fire fighters, paramedics, street and sanitation workers, utilities and water managers, and parks and recreation employees all provide important, and indeed, *necessary* services for our great city, with safety at the heart of everything we do.

As mentioned above – Covington has the only public swimming facility in Tipton County – and what a great facility this is, may I add! Our Aquatic Center is a full-service facility that is open year-around offering a place to swim for pleasure, fitness, or for swim lessons. Our pool is home to the Manta Rays Swim Team, and available to rent for parties, as well. If you are looking for something for the kids to do this summer, there's a wide variety of summer camps through our Parks and Recreation Department. Director Joe Mack and Museum Director Barrie Foster have put together a summer camp series with something for just about every kids' interest! We are offering a wide range of swim lessons for kids to adults and extended summer hours for people to enjoy the pool. Our employee benefits package includes membership to our Sportsplex and Aquatic Center so we can all enjoy the amenities the City has to offer. I cannot tell you how proud I am of the work our employees do. We have a great staff in the City of Covington and they are making great things happen on mighty thin budgets. It is my goal to improve the budgets in all our departments over the years so we can not only continue to provide services, but *improve* those services, *increase* our staff, and offer the *best in benefits* for our employees. Indeed, without them, nothing is possible. This city is brought to you, fine citizens and visitors, by teamwork, collaboration, creativity, and *very* hard work from a dedicated team and I consider them among the best in the business. We are truly blessed to have such loyal hard workers and I encourage you to thank your local police officers, fire fighters, paramedics, lifeguards, camp leaders, customer service workers, special events coordinators, insurance and personnel directors, public works employees, street and sanitation workers, fitness coordinators, grounds and maintenance crews, and *everyone* who truly and literally is working hard day in and day out to bring you the *best* we possibly can. Please support me when we do things in this city to improve the working conditions for our employees so they can improve the living conditions for us all.

To learn more about what our employees are doing – read through this newsletter, or come to see us! We are here to serve *YOU!*

*Justin*

# *DEPARTMENTAL TIDBITS*

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

## **HUMAN RESOURCES & SPECIAL EVENTS:**

- **The City of Covington Human Resource Department is responsible for the administration of all Personnel and Purchasing activities for the city. The Human Resource Department is located on the 2nd floor of the Covington Civic Center at 100 West Washington Street. They can be reached by phone at (901) 475-7170**
- **Applications are accepted ONLY during the time of a posted vacancy.**
- **You can complete applications and email it to our department through the Contact Us button above or bringing it by our office Monday through Friday 8:00am - 5:00pm.**
- **The City of Covington is offering our employees State of Tennessee insurance. Employees attended meetings this week for detailed information and to make their selections for coverage.**



## **PUBLIC WORKS AND STREETS:**

- **Covington Public Works Department is now operating with our summer hours, which are 6:00 am – 2:30 pm**
- **Covington Public Works had annual inspection from the Tennessee Regulatory Authority in May. We received NO write-ups!**
- **Please call 901-476-9613 ext 113 or 118 if you see water running and suspect a leak. After hours call 901-476-7163. Our crews will repair them immediately!**
- **Public Works is now using “Answer Connect” for after-hours calls**
- **Cody Peeler and Jeremy Cates have received new water certifications from the State of Tennessee.**
- **Help us keep COVINGTON CLEAN! Please pick up and clean up your area – and call us when you need help!**

## **CODES:**

### **Department of Code Compliance...**

- **If you plan on installing anything on your property that will be vertical, you will probably need a permit, so please check with us *first!* We are here to help you work through the permitting process. Please visit us on the second floor at Covington City Hall, 200 W. Washington Ave, call 901-476-7191 ext 146 or email [planning.building@covingtontn.com](mailto:planning.building@covingtontn.com). Same is true for signs, banners, and vehicles. Before you put it in your yard, let us help you stay within the ordinances and codes of the City of Covington.**
- **Before you place a political sign, please call our CODES Department or email us at [planning.building@covingtontn.com](mailto:planning.building@covingtontn.com)**
- **Covington received notice on June 1<sup>st</sup> that we are the recipients of a THDA Home Grant in the amount of \$375,000 for home improvements for owner-occupied homes. THDA will organize a media outreach event in Covington to disseminate information.**
- **Report un-mowed, unkempt areas to CODES at 901-476-9613 ext 146**
- **CALL before you DIG!**

## **PARKS AND RECREATION:**

- **Any child under the age of 18 MUST have a completed “consent to swim” form on file in the Aquatic Center office. Children ages 10 and under MUST be accompanied by an adult. For more information regarding times, fees, or regulations please contact the pool at (901) 476-9178. Don’t delay in signing your little ones up for swim lessons – we offer lessons for kids *and* adults. [Click here to register.](#)**
- **Drug-Free Tipton is purchasing an outdoor theater system for Parks and Recreation. Director Joseph Mack expects movies to begin in Covington parks by the end of July.**
- **Director Mack is soliciting “in-kind” donations to complete our obstacle course and to develop a child’s obstacle course at the same location. All of the obstacles are expected to be completed this year, meet US Army regulations, and will bring competitions to Covington.**

**Summer Camps have started - Don't miss out! Call 901-476-3734 for information!  
TAKE A LOOK AT SUMMER CAMP FUN BELOW!**



CHS Baseball players and Coach Taylor Follis led baseball camp for the boys (above) and Coach Digger Hughey worked the ladies in softball camp (R).



Dyersburg State Community College's soccer coach, Robert Luttrell, led Soccer Camp.



Art Camp took place at the Tipton County Museum and was led by Museum Director Barrie Foster.



CHS Volleyball Coach Molly Griffin coached Volleyball Camp in the CHS gym.



CHS Band Director Kreston Smith led Band Camp at the CHS Band Room

## Tipton County Receives Healthier Tennessee Community Grant

*\$2,500 award to be used for local wellness initiatives*

The Governor's Foundation for Health and Wellness announced that Tipton County has been awarded a \$2,500 Healthier Tennessee Community Grant to help sustain community-wide projects that encourage and enable physical activity, healthy eating, and tobacco abstinence.

"We are pleased to present this grant to Tipton County in recognition of the great work being done there and with the belief that it will boost efforts to improve the health of local citizens and the overall quality of life in the community," Governor's Foundation CEO Richard Johnson said.

To earn the grant, Team Tipton County created an 8 week walking challenge in the community.

- 265 participants made up over 44 teams in the challenge
- The Walk Across Tipton Challenge ran from March 5<sup>th</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup>.

In Tennessee, one out of four adults smokes, and one in five high school students uses tobacco. Approximately 31 percent of the population is classified as obese, and an additional 34 percent are overweight. Type-2 diabetes and high blood pressure are at epidemic levels.

The Healthier Tennessee Communities initiative takes a local approach to improving Tennesseans' health by engaging citizens and local leaders. There are now more than 100 Healthier TN Communities in cities, towns, counties, neighborhoods, and college campuses across the state of Tennessee. Communities use physical activity initiatives like walking challenges in conjunction with nutrition challenges and tobacco cessation programs to make their communities a healthier place to live. Take action and improve YOUR health!



Covington Mayor Justin Hanson, Tipton County Executive Administrative Assistant Nancy Huesling, Tipton County Register of Deeds Claudia Peeler, and Matt McDaniel, Director of the Tipton County Department of Public Health, accept a check for \$2500 from Serena Flowers, West Tennessee Director for the Governor's Foundation for Health and Wellness.

## **COVINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

- If you live in the City of Covington and own your property (property owners are required by law to provide for their renters) and need a working smoke detector installed, please contact us at 901-476-2578.
- Covington Fire, Covington Police, and Tipton County Sherriff's Departments will participate in active shooter training together.



Flanked by [West Star](#) Alumni, Chief Michael Naifeh and CARE Officer Mark Heaston, Assistant Fire Chief Richard Griggs (C) graduated with the West Star Class of 2018 Thursday night in Jackson.

*Congratulations*

## **COVINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

- Taking applications and setting up interviews for three police officer positions
- CPD Special Response Team has heavy schedule for summer – will be involved in training-events-drills throughout the months of June-July-August
- Please report suspicious activity to police immediately – let CPD decipher the situation. Call 901-475-1261 or 901-476-9036. Call 911 in emergencies

**Covington Police Officer James Robertson was named “Officer of the Month” for April. Officer Robertson is pictured here with Covington Police Chief Buddy Lewis. Congratulations & thank you for serving and protecting us!**



## Covington Police Chief Buddy Lewis elected Chairman of Corrections Board

COVINGTON POLICE CHIEF C.D. "BUDDY" LEWIS HAS BEEN ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE TENNESSEE CORRECTIONS INSTITUTE BOARD OF CONTROL. THE ELECTION TOOK PLACE AT THE JUNE 6TH BOARD MEETING. TENNESSEE GOVERNOR BILL HASLAM APPOINTED LEWIS TO SERVE ON THE BOARD IN 2014.

THE TENNESSEE CORRECTIONS INSTITUTE GOVERNS, REGULATES AND OVERSEES THE OPERATIONS OF ALL JAILS IN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE. SOME OF THE PRIMARY DUTIES INCLUDE THE TRAINING OF CORRECTIONAL PERSONNEL, EVALUATING CORRECTIONAL PROGRAMS, CONDUCTING STUDIES AND RESEARCH IN THE AREAS OF CORRECTIONS AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR, COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIONS AND LEGISLATURE AND TO INSPECT ALL JAILS IN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE.

"I AM EXTREMELY HONORED TO HAVE THE CONFIDENCE OF THE OTHER BOARD MEMBERS TO SERVE AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD. I LOOK FORWARD TO SERVING IN THE POSITION AS WE CONDUCT THE BUSINESS OF OVERSEEING THE JAILS AND OPERATIONS OF THOSE JAILS ACROSS THE STATE. THE TENNESSEE CORRECTIONS INSTITUTE HAS AN AMAZING GROUP OF EMPLOYEES AND IS LED BY DIRECTOR BETH ASHE. THE CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS ARE THE UNSUNG HEROES OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. AS A FORMER SHERIFF, I UNDERSTAND HOW DIFFICULT THAT JOB IS. I WANT TO MAKE CERTAIN WE DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO MAKE OUR JAILS SAFE FOR EVERYONE INVOLVED. THE JAIL IN ANY JURISDICTION CARRIES THE HIGHEST DEGREE OF LIABILITY FOR ANY GOVERNMENT." CHIEF LEWIS CONCLUDED.

THE TENNESSEE CORRECTIONS INSTITUTE BOARD OF CONTROL MEETS QUARTERLY IN NASHVILLE



CLICK ON THE CHAMBER LOGO ABOVE TO READ THEIR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

*Join us for Coffee with the Mayor*



**Please Join Us for coffee and conversations**

**7:30 – 9:00**

Tuesday, June 26 Sookies Bake Shop on the Square

Tuesday, July 10 Little Jimmy's Lunch Box – 511 East Liberty

Tuesday, July 24 Little Jimmy's Lunch Box – 511 East Liberty

Tuesday, August 07 Little Jimmy's – 511 East Liberty

Tuesday, August 21 Little Jimmy's – 511 East Liberty

Tuesday, September 04 Little Jimmy's – 511 East Liberty

Tuesday, September 18 Little Jimmy's – 511 East Liberty

**This Way to the FUN**

# FAMILY FUN DAY!!

**FREE Games & Activities for the Entire Family**  
**Saturday, June 23**  
**10:00 - 2:00**  
**First United Methodist Church**  
**145 West Church Ave.**  
**Covington, Tennessee**

**CHARITY DUNK TANK**  
 Proceeds Benefit the Good Samaritan Fund  
 \$1.00 - 3 balls or \$5.00 to hit the button!

Mayor Justin Hanson	Andrew Davis
City Judge Beth Ziarko	Carole Mathis
Mark Heaston CFD	Rev. Dan Camp

Plus a few surprises!

## FAMILY FUN DAY DUNK TANK SCHEDULE

JUNE 23, 2018

- 10:00 – 10:30 Rev. Dan Camp
- 10:30 – 11:00 Tipton County Sheriff's Deputy
- 11:00 – 11:45 Mayor Justin Hanson
- 11:45 – 12:15 Carole Mathis
- 12:15 – 1:00 City Judge Beth Ziarko
- 1:00 – 1:30 CFD Mark Heaston
- 1:30 – 2:00 Youth Director Andrew Davis

## City of Covington Tackles Poor Drainage and Potholes

Public Works Director David Gray has put crews to work smoothing the way for water and travelers alike at the South College Railroad Underpass adding a French Drain to move away water and cleaning up growth along the banks.



Work began June 18 and the road is scheduled to reopen June 27. Enjoy the smooth ride!

**Yay!**



Mayor Hanson visited with the crews on the job at the underpass – L-R Tim Taylor, Grounds Maintenance Supervisor, Rob Thurmond, Grounds Maintenance, Billy Collins, Backhoe Operator, Mayor, Bobby Austill, City Concrete Contractor, and Rickey Hughey, Street Department.

# Mayor Hanson brokers consultation between City of Covington and [Memphis Neighborhood Preservation Inc.](#)

Neighborhood Preservation, Inc. in Memphis, Tennessee, promotes neighborhood revitalization by collaboratively developing practical and sustainable resolutions to blighted properties and to the systems that lead to widespread neglect, vacancy and abandonment of real estate. Mayor Hanson brought former Mayor A.C. Wharton, Retired Environmental Court Judge Larry Potter, Steve Barlow, President of NPI, Memphis, and several members of their staff to Covington to share ideas and help facilitate blight eradication policies and procedures in Covington.



[NPI, Memphis](#) works with code enforcement officers, local leaders, businesses, and other stakeholders to change state and local policies, systems, and processes in hopes of reducing the number of vacant and abandoned properties throughout the City of Memphis. They have been recognized around the United States for their work and successes in this field. It is quite an honor and a privilege for the City of Covington to partner with this group as we tackle these issues here.

# Finance and Administration Committee Discussed Incentive Pay for Certified Safety Personnel and CDL License Holders

The Finance and Administration Committee met in their regular monthly meeting June 19 at Covington City Hall.

Present were Alderwoman Minnie Bommer, Alderman John Edwards, Alderman Drew Glass, Alderman Jere Hadley, Alderman Mac McGowan, Mayor Justin Hanson, City Attorney Rachel Witherington, Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn, Assistant to the Mayor Sara Gangaware, Public Works Director David Gray, Parks and Recreation Director Joe Mack, Human Resources & Purchasing Director Tiny Barton, Covington Police Chief Buddy Lewis, Covington Fire Chief Michael Naifeh, Historian David Gwinn, Codes Director and Building Inspector Lessie Fisher, Margaret Fleming, Rosemary Hadley, Sherry Onorati, Olean Anderson, Chris Brent, Dwain Edwards, and Antonius Edwards.

Chairman Alderman C.H. Sullivan was ill and not able to attend the meeting. Alderman Edwards motioned to make Mayor Hanson chairman for this committee and Alderman Glass seconded. Motion passed and Mayor Justin Hanson, elected as chairman, called the meeting to order with a quorum present.

Mayor Hanson stated there was no official agenda for this meeting - he simply wanted the committee members and department heads to have this opportunity to discuss things before the final reading of the budget, scheduled for Tuesday, June 26 at 5:30. Alderman Edwards motioned to discuss ways to incentivize certified police officers to apply with the City of Covington. Alderwoman Bommer seconded the motion. Chief Naifeh suggested extending the incentives to the fire department as well. Alderman McGowan suggested including CDL licensed drivers, too, and Alderman Edwards amended his motion to include fire and CDL. Mayor Hanson asked if there was any further discussion for incentivizing police, fire, and CDL-licensed drivers to come to work for the city. There being no further discussion, Hanson called for a vote and the motion passed. This discussion will begin at the July Finance and Administration Committee meeting.

Mayor Hanson invited Department Heads to address the committee and Chief Buddy Lewis spoke to the committee stating he is certainly not opposed to anybody's employees getting paid as they should, however, he wanted the committee to recognize that Parks and Recreation Department is requesting a new employee with a starting salary above starting, non-certified police officers. Mayor Hanson stated this has been discussed before, we are aware the pay scales in the City of Covington are in need of revision, and we are in the process of doing that.

Alderman Glass asked how we can do things differently and be more efficient regarding overtime, and Lewis made several suggestions, such as hiring more officers, hiring more certified officers, and promoting crime prevention. Lewis stated he feels Covington handles more calls than many cities our size and he feels it is a combination of a lot of things we will need to work on. Alderman McGowan asked Lewis to gather some data for comparison in the calls Covington officers respond to and other municipalities, and Lewis stated he will get that information. Alderwoman Bommer stated we have invested money and time in officers many times, and they end up leaving our department, therefore she thinks we need to make some changes that will keep officers in whom we have invested on our staff. Lewis stated there are ways to do that and he looks forward to discussing it further. Lewis went on to say that the bottom line is that we have to do things that will make our police department attractive in order to attract and keep employees here.

Alderman Edwards stated he fears the 1% pay raise may hurt us as far as trying to keep employees. Mayor Hanson asked for clarification, and Edwards stated that 1% is not a lot of money. Mayor Hanson responded that if the 1% proposed in this budget passes, it will mean that over the past three and ½ years, city employees'

have received an overall total of 6% increase in cost of living adjustments. Edwards stated he remembers when employees would get bonuses, and Alderman Glass stated he believes the 6% comes out to more money in employees' pockets over the long run. Hanson stated all full time employees receive \$100 and part time employees receive a \$50 Christmas Gift Certificate for Covington businesses and he feels this is also an incentive – particularly at that time of the year.

Alderman McGowan asked Lewis to state the pros and cons of a reserve program. Lewis stated he has instituted these kinds of programs before and this gives leaders the opportunities to observe officers in training, and have them available in emergencies and for employment. A reserve program could save us money. However, it takes an awful lot of man hours to operate, and it is extremely difficult to find people who want to go through this extensive level of certified training on weekends and after hours for 6-8 months for no pay.

Chief Naifeh approached the podium to address overtime and stated the fire department experienced overtime this year due to three people being in paramedic training. Overtime was needed when trainees were in classes. Naifeh stated he and Director Barton have consulted with our labor attorney and he has written up a contract for these trainees that will help to guarantee those trainees will be with the fire department for at least three years. However, Naifeh stated he doesn't believe we can eliminate overtime completely in public safety. We have a working structure for emergencies, and overtime is just a part of public safety. He went on to say that reserve programs do help, and does help us train potential employees and have them ready. Naifeh stated he has been through this kind of training, himself. Naifeh said Covington Fire answers three-to-four more calls as most departments our size and overtime is just inevitable, and a lot of factors play into it. Naifeh stated he hopes to see overtime savings this year. Alderman McGowan asked for Naifeh to provide similar data as he asked from Chief Lewis to make comparison to other municipalities. Naifeh agreed and stated he feels this data will be good to know – especially when determining salaries.

Alderman Edwards stated he understands we cannot completely eliminate overtime, but wants us to look at things we may be able to do to attract and keep certified employees and decrease overtime. Naifeh thanked the committee for supporting the training of paramedics, as their skills are needed, and he plans to have one paramedic on duty at all times. Alderwoman Bommer asked if paramedics will be able to transport victims from the scene and Naifeh answered that they cannot do that because transportation requires a completely different training and certification. Naifeh went on to state that the City of Covington has no transport vehicles, no equipment for transport vehicles, and no training or certification in this area. He stated for Covington to get into an ambulance service business, it would be a multi-million dollar investment in equipment and training. Alderwoman Bommer asked why it is important to have paramedics on staff and Naifeh explained how paramedics can administer advanced life-saving procedures and medications on the scene and in certain situations might accompany victims in transport. Alderwoman Bommer asked if we are coordinating with Medic 1, and Naifeh stated we are coordinating with them.

Mayor Hanson stated there is a real advantage to having paramedics on staff as they can administer life-saving skills on the scene as citizens wait for transportation.

There being no further questions of discussions, the meeting was adjourned.

# Downtown Merchants' Association Corner



Congratulations to  
**BRENDA MOSS**  
who won the Downtown  
Merchants' Association  
gift basket at  
Girls Night Out!



Do you want to plan quick, easy and delicious meals while saving money?

# Join us for Cooking Matters!



## WHY SIGN UP?

- It's **FREE!!!!**
- Hands-on food preparation and tastings
- Friendly grocery store tour
- Meet new people
- Take home ingredients to prepare meals for your family



**FUN!**  
**FOOD!**  
**FREE!**

## COOKING MATTERS:

June 18 - July 30  
9:00 - 11:00 a.m. every Monday

### LOCATION:

Tipton County Extension Office  
111 W. Washington Ave.  
Covington, TN 38019

### MORE INFORMATION AND TO PRE-REGISTER:

Jacqueline Lemons  
[jlemons@tnstate.edu](mailto:jlemons@tnstate.edu)  
901-476-0231

**SIGN-UP TODAY! SPACE IS LIMITED!**



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- June 18 – July 30 – [COOKING MATTERS!](#) 9:00 – 11:00 EVERY MONDAY at the Tipton County Extension Office 111 W. Washington Ave. Covington, TN
- June 23 – [Family Fun Day](#) at First United Methodist Church in Covington – 10:00 – 2:00
- June 23 – [Broadway Comes to the Ruffin](#) – Ruffin Theater in Covington – 7:00
- June 23 – [CROSSROADS](#) live at Danno’s Grill on the Square in Covington
- June 26 - Invitation for the public bid opening for PIN 123117.00 – City of Covington Frazier Park Connector (A2H# 15345). The bid opening will be at City of Covington, City Hall at 10:00
- June 30 – Bryan Hayes at [SONGWRITERS NIGHT](#) – Danno’s Grill on the Square in Covington
- July 04 – [Celebration on the Square](#) – 9:00 – 10:30. JOIN OUR COMMUNITY TO CELEBRATE 4<sup>th</sup> OF JULY ON THE SQUARE!
- July 07 – [Mickey McClure Band](#) LIVE at Danno’s Grill on the Square in Covington.
- July 09 – Bloodmobile at Covington City Hall – 9:00 – 1:00. Sign up at [www.clublifeblood.us](http://www.clublifeblood.us) choose date 07/09/2018 and enter code L198 or call 901-476-9613 ext 117
- July 10 - [Story Time in the Park](#) - 10:00 – Cobb-Parr Park in Covington
- July 13 – [Back to School Fest!](#) Covington High School 10:00 – 1:00. FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES
- July 14 – [Showdown Band](#) LIVE at Danno’s Grill on the Square in Covington.
- July 20 – [Parks and Recreation OPEN HOUSE](#) at the SPORTSPLEX. PLEASE JOIN US!
- July 24 - [Story Time in the Park](#) - 10:00 – Cobb-Parr Park in Covington
- July 28 – [School Supply Drive](#) at Professional Care Services – 1997 Hwy 51 S. - 9:00 - Noon



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

[City of Covington](#) 901-476-9613

[Tipton County](#) 901-476-0200

[Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce](#)  
901-476-9727

[Covington Sportsplex](#) 901-476-3734

[Drug Free Tipton](#) 901-476-0200

[Tipton County Schools](#) 901-476-7148

[South Tipton Chamber of Commerce](#) 901-837-4600

[Boys and Girls Club of the Hatchie River Region](#)  
901-476-0180

[Covington Aquatic Center](#) 901-476-9178

[Tipton County Museum](#) 901-476-0242

\*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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[REPORT LITTER BUGS](#)

**Citizen’s Litter Prevention Hotline**

**1-877-8-LITTER (877-854-8837)**

# Boys and Girls Club Honors Dr. Buddy Bibb at Inaugural Character Counts Luncheon

Character Counts is a program used by the [Boys and Girls Club of the Hatchie River Region](#) in Covington that places greater emphasis on establishing a positive school climate and instilling critical academic, social and emotional skills, as well as core character traits. Using the [Four Wheels of Success](#), this fully integrated student development framework incorporates the most critical research findings and current theories from all major research and evidence-based strategies. The framework instills mindsets and character traits to help students:

- *Reach their academic potential and have the ability to succeed in school*
- *Succeed in the workplace and their careers*
- *Live happy, worthy and fulfilling personal lives*
- *Become engaged, responsible and productive citizens*

Part of what Boys and Girls Club and the Character Counts program stand for is recognizing the best role models of their expectations. The local club started that tradition on June 19, 2018 by honoring the life work of Dr. Buddy Bibb, Superintendent of Tipton County Schools. The agenda was full of role models who brought together a large crowd to the Covington Civic Center to honor good character traits. Boys and Girls Club Board of Directors President Joey Caldwell opened the event by welcoming guests, thanking supporters and volunteers of the Boys and Girls Club, and those who worked to bring the gala to fruition. Long time teacher, principal, supervisor and champion of the children of Tipton County Ricky Fayne was the Master of Ceremony who kept the crowd entertained and the guest speakers coming. Boys and Girls Club 2017 Junior Youth of the Year Jhonnaya Wilcox recited the club's mission statement and Pastor Marie Bonds led the invocation. Boys and Girls Club supporter and local businessman Sam Stitt introduced the keynote speaker, Tipton County Executive Jeff Huffman, who shared many good memories of Dr. Bibb serving on the county commission, and working his way up through the school system from teacher, coach, assistant principal, principal, assistant superintendent, and ultimately becoming the Director of Tipton County Schools. Several of the students from the Boys and Girls Club were there to share in the aura of the event and the Munford FFA Chapter served drinks and cleared tables. There was an emotional video segment full of people paying homage to the work of Dr. Bibb created and presented by Bob Reed, Owner-Producer, BAM Productions. Joey Caldwell presented the Character Counts Award to Dr. Bibb and Boys and Girls CEO James Moore thanked supporters, The City of Covington, Tipton County, table sponsors, and volunteers throughout the area for helping the local club create bright futures for our community's youth.



Board President Joey Caldwell welcomed guests

Master of Ceremonies Ricky Fayne introduced speakers and entertained the crowd.



Junior Youth of the Year Jhonnaya Wilcox recited the BGC mission statement (above) and keynote speaker County Executive Jeff Huffman (R) shared warm memories of Dr. Bibb's tenure on the County Commission and as a coach, teacher, school administrator and Director of Schools



Dr. Buddy Bibb (R) most humbly thanked his mother, his family, his Christian faith, and those with whom he has worked with over the years for his successes and achievements.



Community Service Hours Verification for  
Tennessee Promise Students!



**DEADLINE**

**FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS  
AND VERIFICATION IS**

**JULY 1, 2018**

**PLEASE SUBMIT 8 HOURS AT [WWW.EDITN.ORG](http://WWW.EDITN.ORG)  
AND CHECK YOUR COLLEGE ACCOUNT TO  
COMPLETE VERIFICATION BY **JULY 1, 2018****

Live Music in our Historic Covington Square

Enjoy Live Music at Danno's Grill every *Saturday Night*  
with the upcoming schedule!

June 23<sup>rd</sup> CrossRoads  
June 30<sup>th</sup> Bryan Hayes with Songwriters Night  
July 7<sup>th</sup> Mickey McClure Band  
July 14<sup>th</sup> Showdown Band  
July 21<sup>st</sup> CrossRoads

Live  
MUSIC

# It's HOT outside and nothing feels better than jumping in the pool! Take the POOL SAFETY PLEDGE to make sure you and YOUR LOVED ONES are safe around water!

## Adults

- Designate a Water Watcher **every single time** children in your care are in or near the water.
- Make sure your kids know how to swim. Swim lessons – 901-476-3734 or 901-476-9178
- As a parent or guardian, learn CPR.
- Always remove portable pool ladders when not in use.
- Ensure all permanent pools have a proper fence and gate and anti-entrapment drain covers.

## Kids

- Never Swim Alone – ALWAYS swim with an adult or lifeguard watching you.
- Ask parents to sign YOU up for swimming lessons...901-476-3734 or 901-476-9178
- Stay away from drains in the pool or hot tub.
- Wear safety water shoes and never run or push around a pool.
- Stay away from water (**go inside**) if you hear thunder or see lightening.
- Have fun and always follow safety steps when you are in and around the water.



**PREVENTION:**  
**Simple Steps Save Lives**

- Stay within **arm's reach** at **ALL** times in and around the pool
- Assign an adult **water watcher**
- **Fence** your pool: Use a 4-foot or taller fence with self-closing or self-latching gates.
- Install pool and gate **alarms**
- Learn how to **Swim**
- Learn **CPR**
- Take the Pool Safety **Pledge**:  
<http://www.poolsafely.gov/pledge>

## Tips for Water Safety in the Home

- Never leave your child unattended in a bathtub.
- Infants can drown in as little as 1 inch of water.
- Keep toilet lids closed and secured with a seat lock.
- Empty sinks, buckets, tubs, and other containers of water.
- Keep doors to bathrooms and laundry rooms closed securely.



Click on the picture above to register for swim lessons or call 901-476-9178

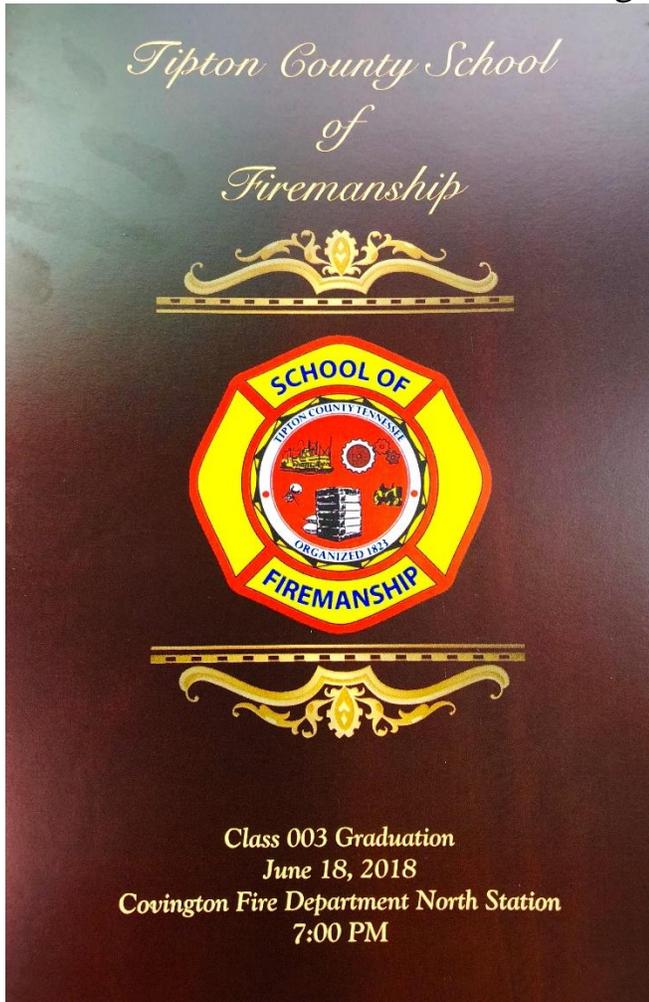
# Storytime in the Park was Great Fun!

Don't Miss the Next one on July 10



# Graduation Held for Volunteer Firefighters

After months of training, twelve members of Class 003 graduated June 18, at Covington City Hall



## Class 003 Graduates

Gene Coltrane	Covington Fire Department
Zachary Cook	Covington Fire Department
Chase Gibson	Quito-Drummonds Fire Department
Gage Hart	Quito-Drummonds Fire Department
Andrew Owen	Covington Fire Department
Frances Payne	Gilt Edge Fire Department
Dustin Pindell	Brighton Fire Department
Howard Reed	Atoka Fire Department
Sam Simmons	Covington Fire Department
Terrence Smith	Covington Fire Department
Chris Swinehart	Brighton Fire Department
Nicholas Varnar	Covington Fire Department



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STATE UNIVERSITY  
Cooperative Extension



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

[Click here for upcoming events and programs hosted by our UT Extension Office!](#)

# 4-H YOUTH IN ACTION

## Dyersburg State Community College

Summer programs for kids in kindergarten through high school!



**June 4-8** Minecraft (Trenton)  
**June 11-15** Minecraft (Dyersburg)  
**June 18-22** Minecraft (Covington)  
**June 18-22** College for Kids (Dyersburg)  
**June 25-29** College for Kids (Covington)

For more info, call 731-286-3267

**June 4-9** Varsity Hoopfest (Dyersburg)  
**June 11-15** Basketball Camp (Dyersburg)  
**June 18-22** Basketball Camp (Dyersburg)  
**June 15-29** Basketball Camp (Dyersburg)

For more info, call 731-288-7742



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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)

# Tipton County 4-H June Newsletter

## Important Dates:

- **June 6** Deadline to turn in Livestock Expo Information
- **June 11** County Deadline for Line & Design Camp
- **June 12-15** 4-H Academic Conference
- **June 18-22** Jr. 4-H Camp
- **June 29-30** Regional Livestock Expo
- **July 3-6** Jr. High 4-H Camp
- **July 5-7** State Livestock Sheep Expo
- **July 9-11** Western Region 4-H Line & Design Camp
- **July 11-13** State Livestock Expo Beef
- **July 14** Western Region Roundup Readiness Day
- **July 23-July 27** 4-H Roundup

## Congratulations to our 4-H County Winners



## Free Money

We have three scholarships to send 4-Hers to Line and Design Camp! If your 4-Her is in 6-12th grade they are eligible to attend. Please contact our office for more details!

**Tipton County UT/TSU Extension Office**  
111 W. Washington Ave  
PO BOX 523  
Covington, TN 38019  
901-476-0231

*University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture, Tennessee State University, US Department of Agriculture and county governments are cooperating. UT/TSU Extension provides equal opportunities in program and employment.*

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 business volunteerism honor change love skills program  
 communities nonprofit vibrant senior  
**volunteers**  
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 family thanks heart prosperous difference retired  
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**A BIG THANK YOU to the Rotarians for taking an active role in our Adopt-a-Park program. These folks worked in the heat last Saturday to clean up and spruce up SHELTON PARK.**



★ ★ ★  
**9 AM - 10:30 AM**  
**4th of July**  
**on the Square**  
*Sponsored by Tipton Arts Council, Inc*  
*and Debra Moody.*  
**Children's Parade begins at 9am on Liberty Avenue followed by an Opening Prayer and Patriotic Songs performed by a Community Choir.**  
 For additional details, call  
 Barbara Flowers McBride at 901 237 4006.

# Support the School – Enjoy a Meal: DSCC’s PTK Honor Society to Host Spirit Night at JT’s Burgers and Wings

Members of the Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Honor Society at Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) will host **Spirit Night June 25**, from 5:30-7:30 p.m., at JT’s Burgers and Wings in Munford. The restaurant will donate a portion of sales to the DSCC organization if customers mention DSCC PTK when they order. For more information, contact Dr. Brigham Scallion, chapter advisor, at 501-772-5350 or [scallion@dsc.edu](mailto:scallion@dsc.edu).

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**2018**

**Sponsored by**

**Tipton County Community Advisory Board  
FOOD and SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

**July 13**

**Covington High School**

**10:00 – 1:00**

**For additional information, please contact**

**Doris Frazier at the Tipton County Health Department 901-476-0235, ext 143**

**Earnestine Walk at the Tipton County Health Department 901-619-1409**

**Barbara Bond, DCS Resource Linkage Coordinator 731-431-4064**

**EACH CHILD RECEIVING FREE SUPPLIES MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT**



The Covington Civic Center is open! We are excited and ready to help you plan your big wedding event. We are the venue of choice whether you have plans for a small, intimate wedding or a large wedding. Our Tennessean room is located on the first floor of the Civic Center and can accommodate three hundred plus guests. Our rental packages include tables, chairs, tablecloths, and tableware and we are flexible enough to accommodate most every bridal party.

Every bride wants a private place at her wedding venue to get dressed on her big day and we have this at the Covington Civic Center. The bride's dressing room is just steps away from the warming kitchen, where she and her wedding party can catch a last minute snack. We also have an area for the groom away from the crowd on our second floor. This area provides just the right, out-of-the-way space where he can enjoy time with his groomsmen to relax and share snacks before he takes that big step. There is also a dressing area on the second floor.

Our warming kitchen is just off the Tennessean and allows caterers to serve guests at any rental. The kitchen has large prep counters and is equipped with commercial appliances.

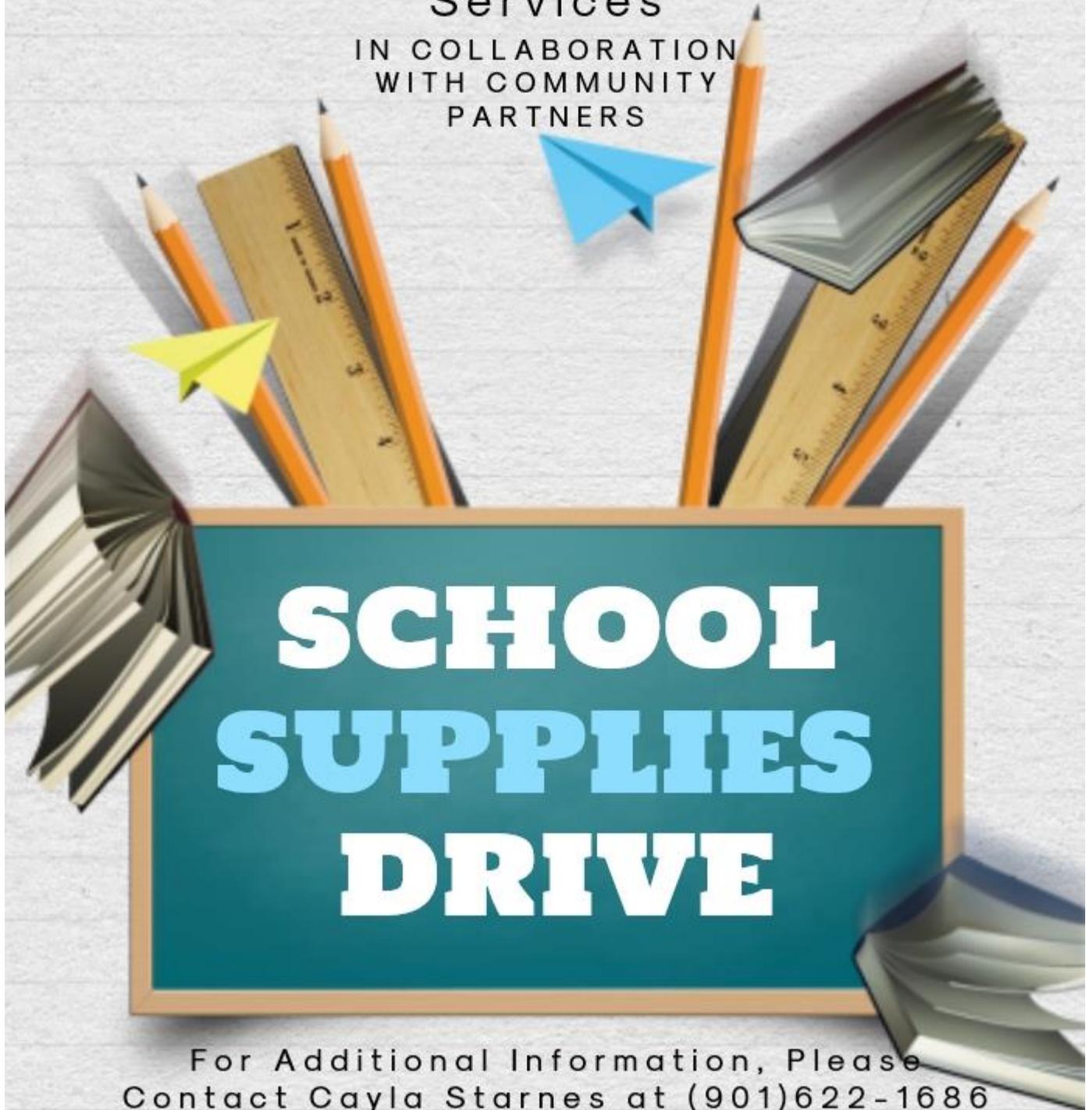
The Covington Civic Center has designated parking just west of our building. Our main entrance on Washington Avenue has a handicapped entrance, including an elevator, to offer assistance for anyone needing it. This entrance allows ease of access to the first floor for florists, photographers, bands, and caterers as well. For more information or to schedule a tour, call Karen Griffin, at 901.475.7139.



Saturday, July 28, 2018 | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
1997 Highway 51 South, Covington

## Professional Care Services

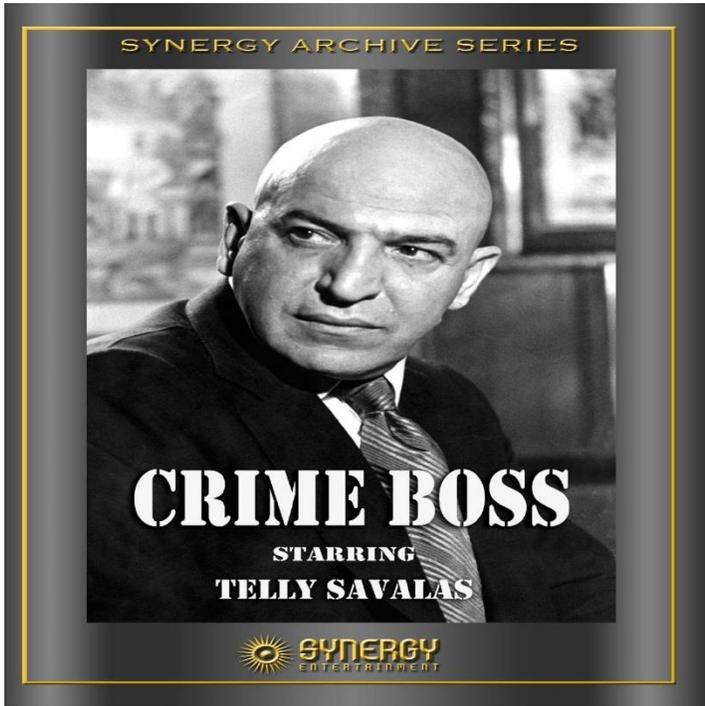
IN COLLABORATION  
WITH COMMUNITY  
PARTNERS



# SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

For Additional Information, Please  
Contact Cayla Starnes at (901)622-1686  
or [cayla.starnes@pcswtn.org](mailto:cayla.starnes@pcswtn.org)

Historic Ruffin Theater  
MOVIE SCHEDULE



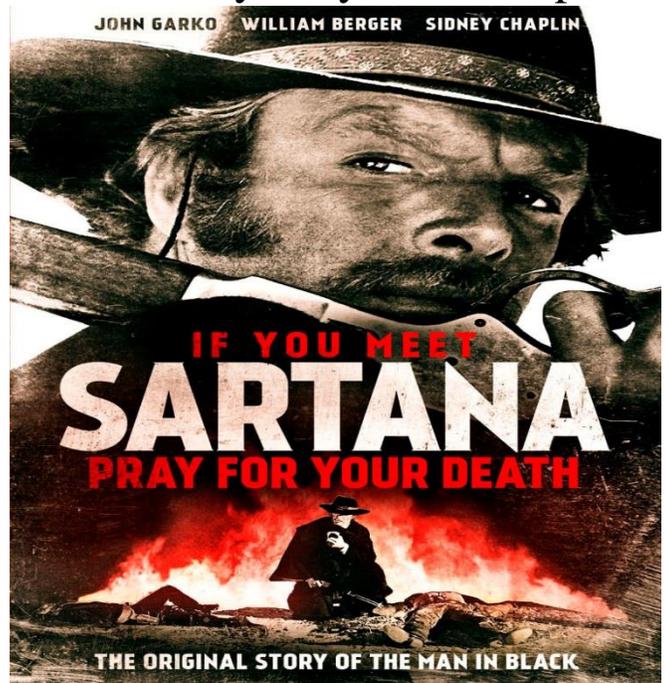
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Sunday, July 8 3:00 pm



Sunday, August 12 3:00



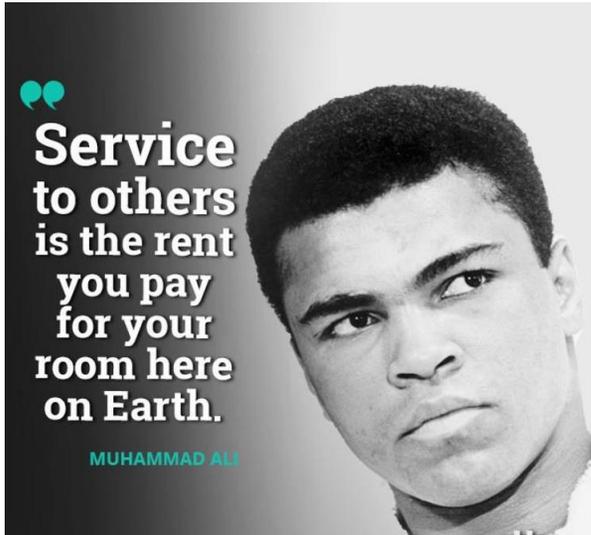
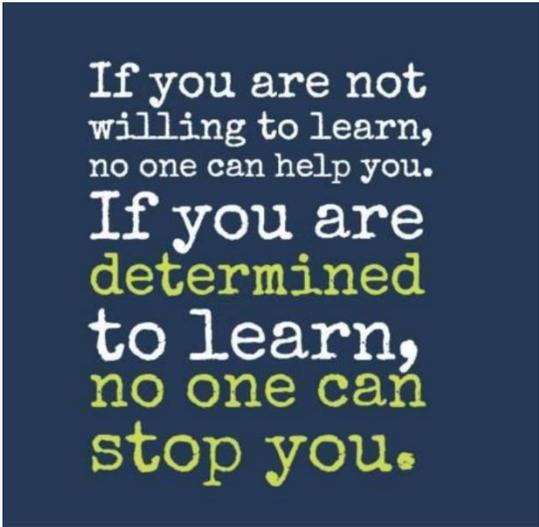
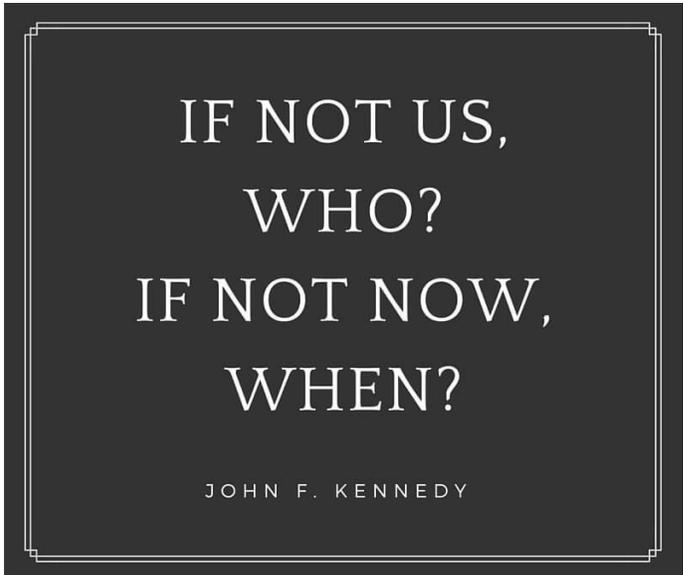
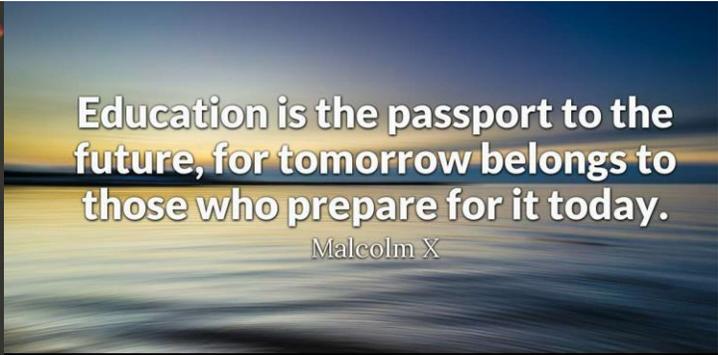
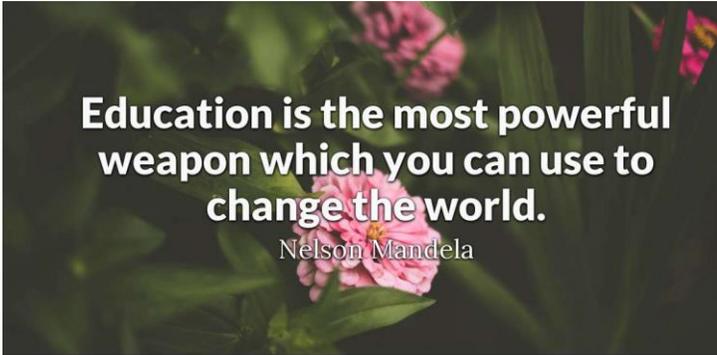
Sunday, September 8 3:00

The Historic  
**RUFFIN**  
Theater  
2018

**BROADWAY**  
COMES TO THE  
**RUFFIN**

AN EVENING OF HIT BROADWAY SONGS  
**JUNE 23 AT 7PM**  
ruffin.theater

*Please join us for great Broadway songs  
in a cool & comfortable environment!*





What in life could be more meaningful than giving a sick child a “second chance” at life?

## Give Blood

Every minute, each day, someone in our community depends on volunteer donors for blood products. The need for blood, platelets, white cells, and plasma is continuous throughout the year. At St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, many patients with catastrophic diseases like leukemia need blood products daily. You can help by volunteering to donate blood or a blood component at St. Jude's Blood Donor Center. This will help our blood bank maintain an adequate supply of blood products.

Hours of operation are: Monday – Friday 8am until 4pm, with the exception of Tuesday start time is 9:15am. Platelet donation takes 1½ to 2 hours. A blood donation takes 30 – 45 minutes. The Blood Donor Center does not have a mobile, so donors will have to visit St. Jude to donate.

**Call 901-595-2024  
to schedule an appointment**

[St Jude](#)

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# Court Square Farmers Market



## Local Candidates Forum

**Join your Covington – Tipton County Chamber of Commerce from 6 – 7:30pm on Thursday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at Dyersburg State Community College – Jimmy Naifeh Center!**

Meet the candidates for local Tipton Co elected positions who will be on your ballot in the August election. All candidates were invited and the event is open to the public with FREE admission. Hear the candidates views on matters that are important to Tipton County voters.

Hosted by Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce in an effort to encourage participation in all elections by being informed voters, moderated by Dr James Frakes, Dean of DSCC Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County, and located in the DSCC Baptist-Tipton Healthcare Academic Building Auditorium, voters will have the opportunity to learn what matters most to the candidates vying to serve as our local leaders. [#GetUpGetOutGoVote](#) [#TiptonLeadership](#)



**Disclaimers:**

Comments, opinions, and statements made by participating Candidates do not constitute opinions or views which are that of Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce or Dyersburg State Community College. Likewise, Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce does not endorse any one particular candidate in any election. This event is held solely as a community educational event and does not constitute an endorsement of any participating candidate.

# *Like to Read?*

## St. Matthew's Episcopal Church brings book boxes to Downtown and Frazier Park



They have many names – little free libraries, neighborhood book exchanges, but whatever you call them, they are a great means by which people can read and share books. St. Matthews put up the first one on their campus, then provided a book box for Frazier Park, which Covington grounds crews installed recently (R). The project, created by church treasurer Lesleigh Robinson and daughters Lori and Lindsey, is similar to the Little Free Library concept in that the ministry aims to build community through literacy and fostering book exchanges.



LITTLE FREE LIBRARY.ORG<sup>®</sup>

# Quotable Quotes

don't expect  
to see a  
**CHANGE**  
if you don't  
**MAKE ONE**

Before you assume,  
*learn the facts.*  
Before you judge,  
*understand why.*  
Before you hurt someone,  
Before you speak, *feel.*  
*think.*

  
**KEEP  
CALM  
AND  
PARTICIPATE  
IN DEMOCRACY**

Citizenship is the chance to  
make a difference to the  
place where you belong.

Charles Handy

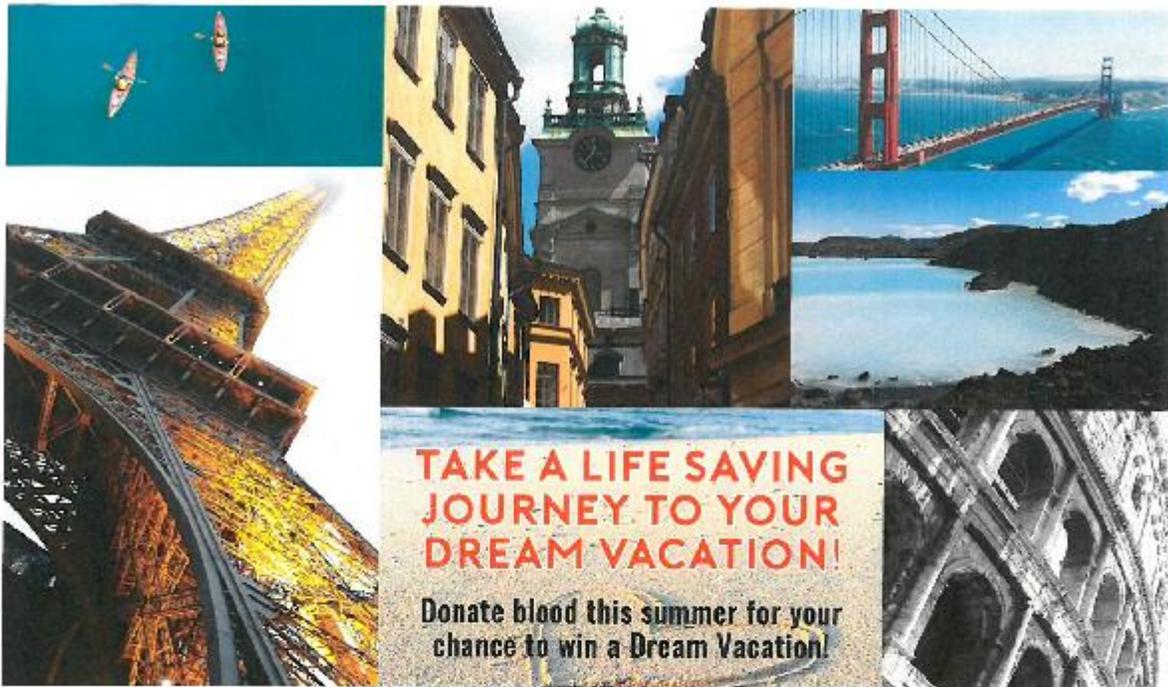
you must get  
involved to have an  
impact. no one is  
impressed with the  
won-lost record of  
the referee.

~ Napoleon Hill

It does not matter how  
slowly you go as long as you  
do not stop.

Confucius

**GET INVOLVED**  
the world is run by  
those who show up



**TAKE A LIFE SAVING  
JOURNEY TO YOUR  
DREAM VACATION!**

**Donate blood this summer for your  
chance to win a Dream Vacation!**

The City of Covington will be having a Summer **Lifblood** drive!

Monday-July 9<sup>th</sup>

9:00 AM-1:00 PM-in the **Lifblood Mobile**.

Covington City Hall

200 West Washington Street

Covington, TN 38019

For information and to sign-up please contact Ms. Sara Gangaware at:

[sgangaware@covingtontn.com](mailto:sgangaware@covingtontn.com) or

go to: [clublifblood.us/](http://clublifblood.us/) and enter in sponsor code: L198.

Each donation can save as many as 3 lives. Thank you!

Donate July 8-31 for a "Summer Champion" T-shirt! While supplies last.

**FAST TRACK**  
Health History  
the day you donate at  
[www.clublifblood.org](http://www.clublifblood.org)

All June, July and August blood donors are entered to win a *Dream Vacation*, valued at up to \$6,000! Winner chooses the destination!

Visit [lifblood.org](http://lifblood.org) for more information and official drawing rules.

## **LIFEBLOOD AT COVINGTON CITY HALL JULY 9**

To make an appointment, go to [www.clublifblood.us](http://www.clublifblood.us) then click on *Locate a Blood Drive*, select date 07/09/2018, and then type in Code L198. When you see City of Covington pop up, click on it and schedule your appointment.

# DSCC's Next Paramedic-to RN Program to be Held at Dyersburg Campus Fall 2018 and in Covington in 2019

**Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) will begin its Paramedic to RN fast track program at its Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County in spring 2019 with an application deadline of Sept. 1, 2018.**

For more information, contact Jackie Cherry at 731-286-3390 or email [cherry@dsc.edu](mailto:cherry@dsc.edu).



## DSCC's Alpha Epsilon Alpha PTK Chapter Receives Regional Awards

The Alpha Epsilon Alpha Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) International Honor Society at Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) received several awards and recognitions during the Society's Tennessee Regional Convention and Awards Banquet March 23-25 hosted at Cleveland State Community College in Cleveland.

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## Dyersburg State Announces Dates for College for Kids Summer Program

The Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) Division of Continuing Education will offer its annual College for Kids summer program in Dyersburg and Covington from 9 a.m. - noon each day. This year's theme will be 'College for Kids: Limitless Summer,' and will consist of stimulating and educational classes for children entering kindergarten through fifth grade this fall. Detailed program information can be found at [www.dsc.edu/c4k](http://www.dsc.edu/c4k).

**This program will be held at the DSCC Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County, June 25-29.** The registration deadline is June 8. The cost is \$85 per child and includes supplies, snacks and a T-shirt.

Registration is available online at <http://www.dsc.edu/c4k>. Those who wish to register in person may do so by visiting the Division of Continuing Education located inside the Security Bank Community Learning Center on the Dyersburg campus. For more information, contact Becky McCaslin, continuing education specialist, at 731-286-3265 or [rmccaslin@dsc.edu](mailto:rmccaslin@dsc.edu)

# BANCORPSOUTH-COVINGTON PRESENTS CHECK TO DSCC

Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) accepted a check in the amount of \$1500 from BancorpSouth - Covington June 7. Those present were (from left) Dr. Jamie Frakes, DSCC Dean of the Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County, Dr. Karen Bowyer, DSCC President, Ralph Cousar, BancorpSouth-Covington Market President, and Don Myers, DSCC Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Continuing Education.



*Thank  
you*





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:

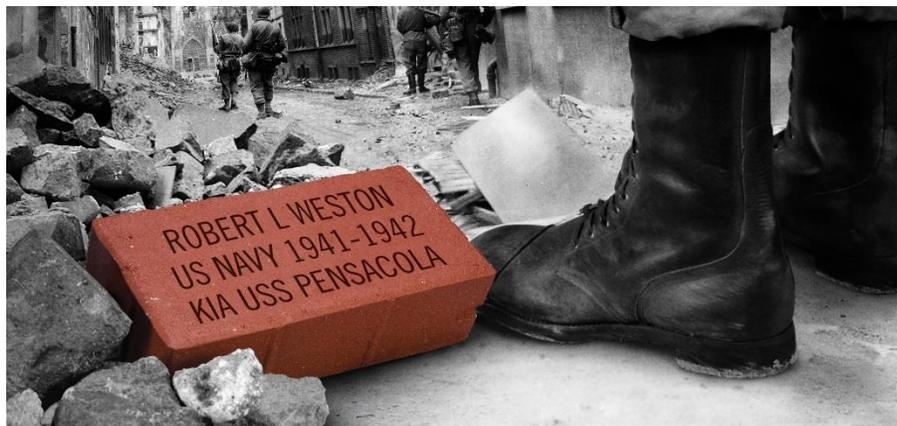
*Embracing the Future While Honoring the Past*

Tipton County Museum, Veterans Memorial & Nature Center

751 Bert Johnston Ave., P.O. Box 768,

Covington, TN 38019

(901) 476-0242



## The Library Corner

Don't Miss these FUN Events at the Tipton County Library!

### Library Services Events Calendar

## TWEEN MAKERSPACE



AGES 8-13

Every Wednesday  
During June & July  
1:00-2:00PM

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## WHO DID IT?



MURDER MYSTERY GAME FOR TEENS  
AGES 13-17

JUNE 4TH @ 5:30PM



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## HAMILTON TRIVIA



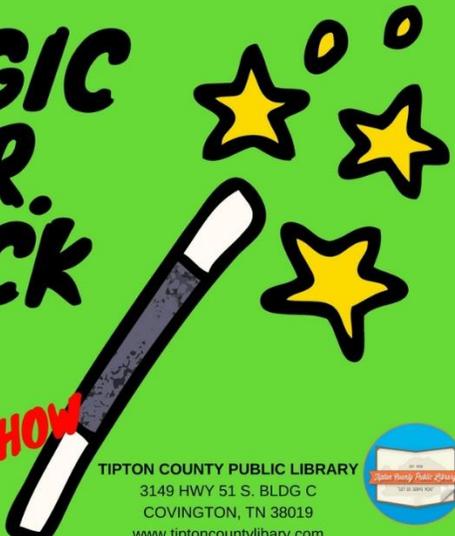
JUNE 12th @ 2:00PM

AGES 18 & UP

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## MAGIC MR. NICK



MAGIC SHOW

JUNE 12th  
10:00am

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## Fairy Tales

BREAKOUT BOX AND ACTIVITIES BASED ON THE 3 LITTLE PIGS & LITTLE RED RIDDING HOOD

Ages 11 & under

June 14th  
10:00am



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## SUMMER HOURS

May 29th - Sep. 5th

Mon-Thu 8:00am - 6:00pm  
Fri. 8:00am - 5:00pm  
Sat. 9:00am - 3:00pm



# STORY TIME: DONUTS WITH DAD



**JUNE 16th**  
**10:00 am**

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901-476-8289  
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# DISNEY TRIVIA NIGHT

Tipton County Public Library  
3149 Hwy 51 S. Bldg C  
Covington, TN 38019

**Family Trivia**  
June 16th @ 1:00PM

**Teen Trivia**  
June 18th @ 1:00PM

**Adult Trivia**  
June 19th @ 2:00PM



# FREE Vegetarian & Vegan Cooking Class

**June 19th**  
**5:00-6:00 PM**

FREE Samples!

For more information  
please call the library @  
476-8289 or Leslie Caza @  
731-798-1106

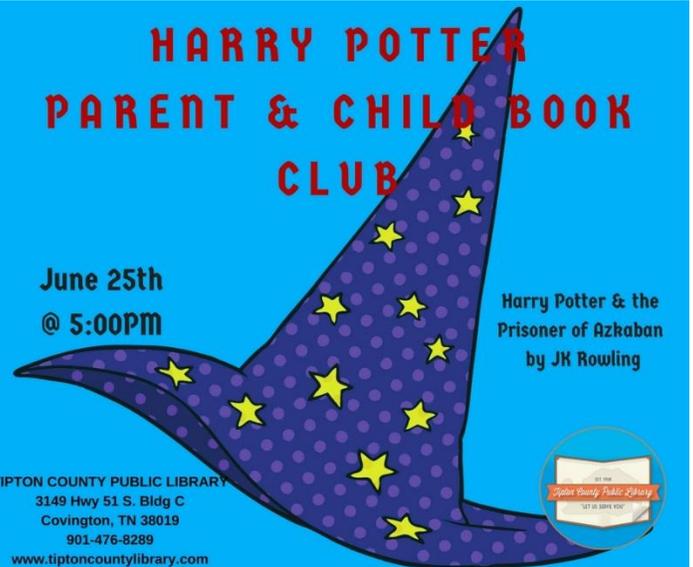


# HARRY POTTER PARENT & CHILD BOOK CLUB

**June 25th**  
**@ 5:00PM**

**Harry Potter & the  
Prisoner of Azkaban**  
by JK Rowling

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# THE GREAT GATSBY BREAKOUT BOX

*June 30th @ 1:00pm*

AGES 18 & UP

Solve the clues and unlock the box

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# Movie Days

- Jailhouse Rock**  
June 1st @ 1:00 PM [NR] 96 Min.
- Pure Country**  
June 5th @ 1:00 PM [PG] 115 Min.
- In the Good Old Summertime**  
June 8th @ 1:00 PM [NR] 103 Min.
- Newsies**  
June 15th @ 1:00 PM [PG] 121 Min.
- Phantom of the Opera**  
June 22nd @ 1:00 PM [PG-13] 141 Min.
- Jersey Boys**  
June 26th @ 1:00 PM [R] 134 Min.
- Footloose (1984)**  
June 29th @ 1:00 PM [PG] 107 Min.
- The Great Gatsby (2013)**  
June 30th @ 1:00 PM [PG-13] 142 Min.



Ages 18 & up

476-8289

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# Story Time in the Park

Cobb-Parr Memorial Park  
Covington, Tennessee

Join us for an outdoor story time experience.  
Stories will be read near the playground.  
All are welcome to attend!

10:00-10:30AM

June 5th

June 19th

July 10th

July 24th



## What's Happening at the Museum?

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

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

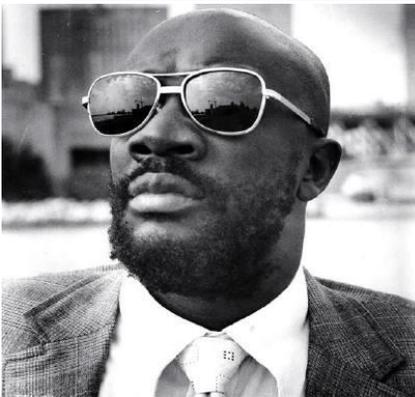
Want to know background information about exhibits at the Tipton County Veteran's Memorial Museum? Check out their new section called "Beneath the Dirt" that explains all the back story! <https://beneaththedirtsite.wordpress.com>

## Read the Museum Newsletter by Clicking Here

### COMING UP AT THE MUSEUM.....

- **Museum Camp June 25 through 29, fee is \$45 and it includes breakfast, lunch, and a camp t-shirt. Ages 10 and up. Please call 901-476-3734 to register.**
- **Storywalk, Saturday, July 14, 10 a.m. – noon. Free**
- **Open House, Friday, July 20, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Free.**
- **Fun with Acrylics with Barb McBride, Friday mornings, 9:30 – 11:30, August 3, 10, 17, & 31. Fee is \$60 for museum members, \$80 general public. Please call (901) 476-0242 to register.**
- **Isaac Hayes Day at Frazier Park, Saturday, August 18, 1 to 5 p.m. Free.**

*See you at the Tipton County Museum!*



# ISAAC HAYES

# DAY

August 18, 2018

@Frazier Park

Covington TN

1PM-5PM

Free admission

**Food  
Vendors**



## Music Water Slide

Come and celebrate the birthday of Covington's own  
**Entertainment Icon Isaac Hayes!**

**Oscar** winner for Best Original Song (1972) for The Theme from **Shaft!**

Inducted into the **Rock and Roll Hall of Fame** in 2002!

Inducted into the **Songwriters Hall of Fame** in 2005!

Don't forget to stop in to see our Isaac Hayes Exhibit  
@ the Tipton County Museum

751 Bert Johnston Ave, Covington TN



TIPTON COUNTY  
M·U·S·E·U·M  
VETERANS MEMORIAL  
NATURE CENTER

The Tipton County Museum Presents

## *Fun with Acrylics*

With Barbara Flowers McBride

Renowned artist Barbara McBride is returning to teaching acrylic painting on Friday mornings at the Tipton County Museum. Barbara will review the properties and applications of acrylic paint and will help you create beautiful artwork. Participants will provide their own supplies. Please call (901) 476-0242 for a supply list & registration.

When: August 3, 10, 17, & 31, 2018. 9:30—11:30 a.m.

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

Fee: \$60 Museum Members, \$80 General Public

Tipton County Museum  
751 Bert Johnston Avenue, P.O. Box 768,  
Covington, TN 38019  
901-476-0242



## COVINGTON PARKS & REC OPEN HOUSE

Friday July 20, 2018

10AM-6PM



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## Tipton County Museum "Artist Series for Kids"

### 2018 Schedule

Saturday, February 10. 1 to 3 p.m.

Edouard Manet, "Two Pears"

Presented in Acrylic on Canvas



Saturday, June 2. 1 to 3 p.m.

Salvador Dali, "The Melting Watch"

Presented in Mixed Media on Canvas



Saturday, August 4. 1 to 3 p.m.

Wassily Kandinsky, "Color Studies 1927"

Presented in Oil Pastels on Canvas



Saturday, October 6. 1 to 3 p.m.

Auguste Renoir "Windy Landscape"

Presented in Chalk Pastels on Paper



Your child will be introduced to the famous artist, then paint one of their famous paintings. All materials are included. Program Fee is \$20 for Museum Members , \$25 for General Public. A Sibling Discount is available. A snack will be provided. Ages 10 and up. Preregistration is requested.

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## 2018 SUMMER CAMPS

\*Art - June 4-8

Dance - July 9-13

Band - June 18-22

+Choir - June 25-29

\*Museum - June 25-29

\*Ages 10-17

+Ages 5-11

### CAMP INSTRUCTORS

Art/Museum - Barrie Foster

Dance - Deborah Walker

Band - Kreston Smith

Choir - Holly Wolfe



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Sportsplex@covingtontn.com



**The herb and butterfly garden coming into bloom on the museum grounds.**





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

**Veteran of the Month for June  
2018**

**Grady William Turnbow, Jr.**

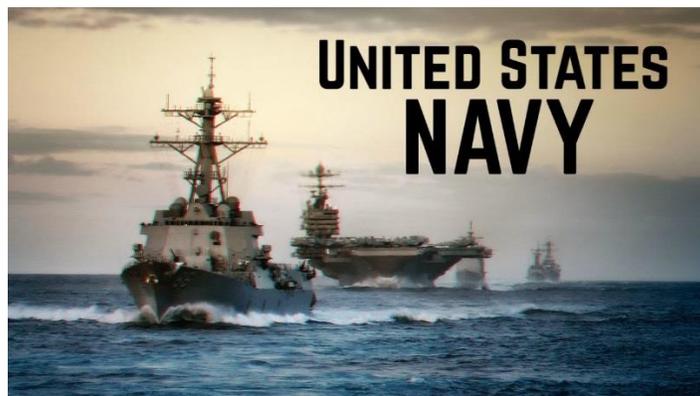


Born on July 6, 1932, Grady Turnbow enlisted in the U.S. Navy Reserves in Columbus, Ohio at the age of 17 and transitioned to the regular Navy at age 18. In May of 1950 he attended boot camp at Great Lakes, Illinois. His training was in aviation maintenance and his future jobs would include Aircraft Organizational Maintenance Officer, Technical Instructor, Aircraft Organizational Maintenance/Material Control Officer, Ground School Instructor, and Aircraft Maintenance Quality Control Officer. He worked his way through all the enlisted and warrant officer ranks as traveled the world, seeing places like Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; Thailand; Japan; and Vietnam. Unfortunately his time in Vietnam and Thailand resulted in him being exposed to Agent Orange for 14 months, leading to multiple health issues later in life. After 30 years of service, Grady retired from the Navy as a Chief Warrant Officer 4 (CWO4) on July 1, 1980. He enjoyed his time on active duty and is grateful and honored to have served his country. For his service to our country he earned numerous medals including the Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation (Civil Actions Medal, 1<sup>st</sup> Class Color w/ Palm), Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation (Gallantry Cross Medal Color w/ Palm), Meritorious Unit Commendation (2<sup>nd</sup> Award), Navy Unit Commendation, Award for Patriotic Service, National Defense Service Medal (2 Awards), Good Conduct Medal (Five Awards), Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, and Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal.

Grady met his wife, Mable Ruth Garrison, while they were in high school. They knew early on they would get married and raise a family; and that is just what they did, marrying in 1954. Grady and Mable were partners in every sense of the word, both during his long and fruitful Navy career and after. Following his retirement, he spent several years as the maintenance man for her flourishing beauty shop in Millington. What they did together wasn't important; simply being together was what mattered – family was everything. They have two daughters, Deborah Wallace of Memphis and Sherrie Denise Holland of Dyersburg. Sadly Mable passed away as a result of cancer on August 20, 2014. They had been married 59 years, 6 months and 11 days. Grady is blessed with three grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren with one on the way, and several step grandchildren. Grady attends church services at the Chapel onboard Naval Support Activity Mid-South in Millington and is a member of the Military Officers Association of America. Navy Chaplain David Mowbray nominated Grady for Veteran of the Month.

# Reception Held in Honor of June Veteran of the Month

Veterans of the Month honorees are honored with a reception at the Tipton County Veterans' Museum on the second Tuesday of each month. June's honoree, Grady William Turnbow, was surrounded by family, friends, fellow veterans, and of course, the Girl Scouts who provide refreshments for each event.



The Tipton County Museum, Veterans Memorial  
& Nature Center

## Veteran of the Month Reception

Every 2nd Tuesday Evening at 6:30

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