

From the Mayor's Desk

Thoughts and perceptions from Mayor Justin Hanson

Hello Friends and Neighbors!

It was a beautiful thing – the whole idea and the coming-together of people from all walks of life, all neighborhoods, and all ages to help us with the 2019 Clean-Up event in Covington last weekend! It was just amazing! I was so touched by the eagerness of our people to participate in something that's really hard work, but also has such great rewards. The City of Covington has participated in this event for around 18 years now as part of Keep America Beautiful, the Great American Cleanup, and the Keep Tennessee Beautiful campaigns.

We recognize that coming together on a regular basis is important for synergy and also to get something done about the looks of our fine city. We know how important it is to keep our city clean, and indeed, much of our budget is allocated for doing just that. But, how refreshing it was to see so many people join us in this effort on a beautiful Saturday morning when they could have been doing ANYTHING else! You will see in the pictures below that people worked hard, walked miles, carried heavy bags, and picked up all kinds of debris to make this place shine a little brighter. **THANK YOU!** We couldn't have done it without the coordinating and planning efforts of our Public Works and Code Enforcement Departments as well as the Police Department and Fire Department – all of which worked to provide plans, materials, supplies, safety, and food for volunteers. That meant that our folks had to do a lot of planning – *and they did!* How nice it was to see so many of our employees and elected officials joining in to work side-by-side with community volunteers! That's what I call **TEAMWORK!** It was also exciting to have both Missy Marshall, Director of Keep Tennessee Beautiful and Ruth Wallace, Director of Keep Tipton County Beautiful, join us for this event. They didn't just show up – they donned gloves and vests and **worked** right along with us!

I get a lot of complaints, but this was one event where it was all positive feedback – so many people planned and prepared, so many people worked hard, and so much was done! I took the time to drive around after the event just to savor the beauty! *Please* help us keep trash in its place, and let us know when areas are in need of our attention. When I walk through our beautiful streets, I always pick up any trash and debris I find – I never think I'm above that! It is so important to keep our city looking good. The Go Lucy Go and Paradise Church Carnival are just two events that will happen in our streets this very weekend. These two events also bring in people from near and far – so *certainly*, we want our city to look its best! Thank you, again, to all of the people who worked to plan and assist us in the 2019 Clean-Up – Fix Up event – we will **ALWAYS** accomplish more as a **TEAM** – and I want us to continue to work together for everything that is good and beneficial for the people of our fine city!

Justin



Clean-Up – Fix-Up was a GREAT SUCCESS!

With about 150 volunteers, the 2019 Clean-up – Fix-up event in Covington was *most* successful. Large groups canvassed the city to help clean up our town – let's work together to **keep** it clean and beautiful! Please call us at 901-476-9613 ext 146 if you see ANY illegal dumping or trash along our roadways! THANKS TO ALL who helped in this year's event!





DEPARTMENTAL TIDBITS

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

COVINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Covington Police Department urges all residents to **report suspicious activity**. Allow trained safety personnel to decipher information and handle potentially dangerous situations – better yet, *prevent* them from happening! **HELP US HELP YOU!** Here are contacts for your convenience:
 - **Covington Police Department** – 901-475-1261 or call **DIRECT** at 901- 201-7573
 - **Tipton County Sheriff’s Dept.** - 901-475-3300
 - **Central Dispatch** – 901-475-4300
 - **Bring your neighbors and attend the Neighborhood Watch informational meeting at the Covington Civic Center on March 19 at [7:00 pm](#)**

TBI Tips:

We welcome tips about possible criminal activity in Tennessee. Our employees will review tips as soon as possible and, if appropriate, forward them for further follow-up. Please include your contact information in case we have questions or would like to contact you. Please note: You may remain anonymous, but information received may be incomplete for follow-up and investigative purposes. Tips that result in the capture of any of [TBI's Top Ten Most Wanted](#) may be eligible for reward money. BY PHONE: 1-800-TBI-FIND. BY EMAIL: [Click Here](#)

Local Tips:

Recently, Drug Free Tipton launched the [tip411](#) alert system. This is an interactive way to keep the community connected and informed through email, text message, and online public safety alerts. tip411 also allows the public to report crimes and other suspicious activities directly to law enforcement by sending **anonymous text messages** from their cell phone or via a free smartphone app. **Think about that** – when you see or hear of something that makes you concerned for your safety and/or the safety of those around you, **this is your opportunity to play an active role in STOPPING CRIME!** Community members are encouraged to sign up online by visiting www.drugfreetipton.org.

The public can also share information on crimes and other suspicious activity by sending an **anonymous tip** to police. **While not a replacement for dialing 911 in an emergency**, those wishing to share information anonymously with law enforcement can simply text “**Tipton**” and their message to 847411 (tip411) from their cellphone. **Think about that! You can send IMPORTANT information directly to police!**

The **TIPTON TIPS** App and tip411 anonymous text a tip system are **100% anonymous**, as the technology removes all identifying information before police see the tips and there is no way to identify the sender. This allows **YOU** to report suspicious activity that may **PREVENT** and/or **SOLVE** crimes in **your neighborhood**. Those with questions, or who need help signing up for alerts, are asked to Contact Drug Free Tipton at 901.378-0545 or www.drugfreetipton.org, **your local Police Department (901-475-1261 or 901-476-0243) or the Tipton County Sheriff’s office (901-475-3300)**

COVINGTON PUBLIC WORKS:

- Civic clubs, neighborhood groups, and others interested in planning a clean-up day for any residential area, please contact the Director of Public Works for assistance in hauling off refuse and debris.
- Yard waste should be placed at least five feet away from potential obstacles such as mail boxes, fences, walls, water meters, telephone connection boxes, fire hydrants, and parked cars so our machines can get to it.
- Building debris, such as lumber, plaster, roofing, brickbats and other debris from construction, repair remodeling or demolition of any building or appurtenance, will not be removed by the City. The owner must cause such material to be privately moved.
- **Call 901-476-9613 ext 118, ext 127, or ext 146 or 901-237-8165 for questions or concerns**

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. They can be reached by phone (901) 475-7170.

For reservations, scheduling, or information about special events, please call 901-475-7139

- Applications are accepted ONLY during the time of a posted vacancy.
- You can complete an application and email it to our department through the Contact Us button on our website or bring it by our office Monday through Friday 8:00am - 5:00pm.
- [Click here to see all available job openings](#).
- MARK YOUR CALENDARS for [MUSIC on the SQUARE](#) which beings April 27!

COVINGTON AQUATIC CENTER:

The Covington Aquatic Center offers a six-lane, 25 meter recreational and competition covered pool. The pool depth is 3 feet in the shallow end and 12 feet at the deep end. The deep end of the pool houses 2 spring boards for recreational use. We offer multiple levels of swim lessons for young children through adults. Water aerobics and other fitness classes are also offered, and it is available for swim fitness. The pool is equipped for those with mobility issues by way of an ADA-compliant fixed lift. **This facility is covered, heated, and open all year!** You can purchase just a pool membership for a substantial savings and receive access to all aquatic classes. Our pool is available for private rentals for a variety of activities, such as scout swim check, birthday parties, company outings/parties, family reunions, and church events. For more detailed rental information, contact Director Mack at (901) 476-3734.

COVINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

- Keep up with CFD on our [Facebook Page](#).
- Please report ANY fire safety concerns you have to the Covington Fire Department at 901-476-2578. For emergencies, dial 911. To learn more about CFD operations, [click here](#).



**Make a Difference
to Your Community.**

**BE A COVINGTON
VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER.**

www.VolunteerFireTN.org
1-844-Vol-Tenn (1-844-865-8366)

WHAT FUELS
**YOUR
FIRE?**

 **COVINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT**
101 Tennessee Avenue, Covington, TN 38019
901-476-2578



**HELP GROW FIRE SAFETY
THIS SPRING!**

Test smoke alarms to ensure they are working.
Replace batteries, if necessary.

Place working smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area,
and on every level of a home, including the basement.

If you need a free working smoke alarm, contact your local fire department today.



TN Department of
Commerce &
Insurance

Click pictures above to learn more!

Smoke Alarms at Home

SMOKE ALARMS ARE A KEY PART of a home fire escape plan. When there is a fire, smoke spreads fast. Working smoke alarms give you early warning so you can get outside quickly.

SAFETY TIPS

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom. They should also be outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home. Install alarms in the basement.
- Large homes may need extra smoke alarms.
- It is best to use interconnected smoke alarms. When one smoke alarm sounds, they all sound.
- Test all smoke alarms at least once a month. Press the test button to be sure the alarm is working.
- There are two kinds of alarms. Ionization smoke alarms are quicker to warn about flaming fires. Photoelectric alarms are quicker to warn about smoldering fires. It is best to use both types of alarms in the home.
- A smoke alarm should be on the ceiling or high on a wall. Keep smoke alarms away from the kitchen to reduce false alarms. They should be at least 10 feet (3 meters) from the stove.
- People who are hard-of-hearing or deaf can use special alarms. These alarms have strobe lights and bed shakers.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.



FACTS

- ❗ A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire.
- ❗ Smoke alarms should be installed inside every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level. Smoke alarms should be connected so when one sounds, they all sound. Most homes do not have this level of protection.
- ❗ Roughly 3 out of 5 fire deaths happen in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.



**NATIONAL FIRE
PROTECTION ASSOCIATION**
The leading information and knowledge resource
on fire, electrical and related hazards



- Three out of five home fire deaths result from fires in properties without working smoke alarms
- More than one-third (38 percent) of home fire deaths result from fires in which no smoke alarms are present.
- The risk of dying in a home fire is cut in half in homes with working smoke alarms.

If you need smoke detectors in your home and you are in the coverage area of the Covington Fire Dept. call 901-476-2578 during normal business hours. We have a limited supply of FREE smoke detectors available and we will even install them at no charge.

CODES:

- Revised sign ordinance is on [City website](#)
- Sign applications are on the [City website](#)
- Inoperable Motor Vehicle as defined in the 2012 International Property Maintenance Code, is a vehicle which cannot be driven upon the public streets for reason including but not limited to being unlicensed, wrecked, abandoned, in a state of disrepair, or incapable of being moved under its own power. In Chapter 3 of the Property Maintenance Code, 302.8 Motor Vehicles. Except as provided for in other regulations, no inoperative or unlicensed motor vehicle shall be parked, kept or stored on any *premises*, and no vehicle shall at any time be in a state of major disassembly, disrepair, or in the process of being stripped or dismantled. Painting of vehicle is prohibited unless conducted inside an *approved* spray booth. Exception: A vehicle of any type is permitted to undergo major overhaul, including body work, provided that such work is performed inside a structure or similarly enclosed area designed and *approved* for such purposes. Please report all CODES issues to 901-476-9613 ext 146
- If you know of **any violations** or what you *think* is a violation of the City of Covington codes/ordinances, please contact the Department of Code Compliance at 901-476-7191 ext 146 or [email](#). **WE NEED your assistance** with ensuring our City is a safe, clean place to live, work, and play and *greatly* appreciate the input from our citizens. To see the Covington Municipal Code, [click here](#).
The Dept. of Code Compliance has responsibility for enforcing all construction codes and zoning regulations adopted by the City.
Phone: 901-476-7191 Ext. 146 Fax: 901-476-5056
Email: planning.building@covingtontn.com
- Please help us keep our City clean by reporting unlawful dumping. If you see something that looks suspicious please call 901-476-9613 ext 118 or 237-8165 to report. See info below or call 901-476-9613 ext 146 or email planning.building@covingtontn.com

***Congratulations* to Lessie Fisher – Code Official of the Year!**

While attending the annual Tennessee Building Officials Association (TBOA) Conference in Chattanooga last month, Fisher was honored to receive their highest recognition – OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR!

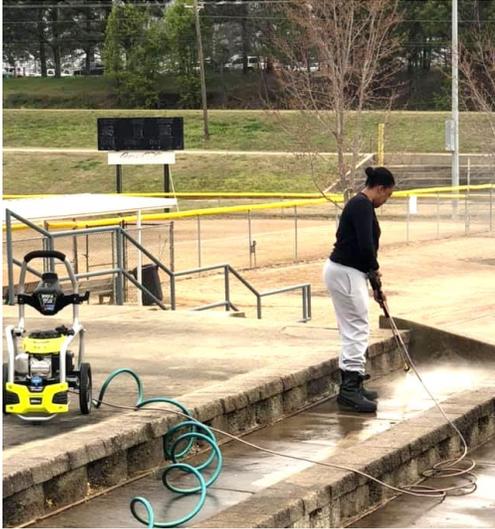


Mayor Hanson congratulates Lessie Fisher for being recognized by her peers for this award. He is not surprised by this as Fisher works diligently to carry out the duties of her job.



PARKS AND RECREATION:

**Volunteers from the US Navy came to Covington to work on our sports facilities to help us become clean, safe, & ready for SPRING SPORTS! *THANK YOU!*
HOOYAH!**



**JOIN US IN OUR CLASSES FOR IMPROVED STRENGTH, FITNESS, AND HEALTH!
We offer a variety of classes for all your fitness levels that are taught by certified instructors who are able to assist you as needed. Come on in and try them out!**



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DAYS: TUES & THURS
TIME: 9:30AM-10AM



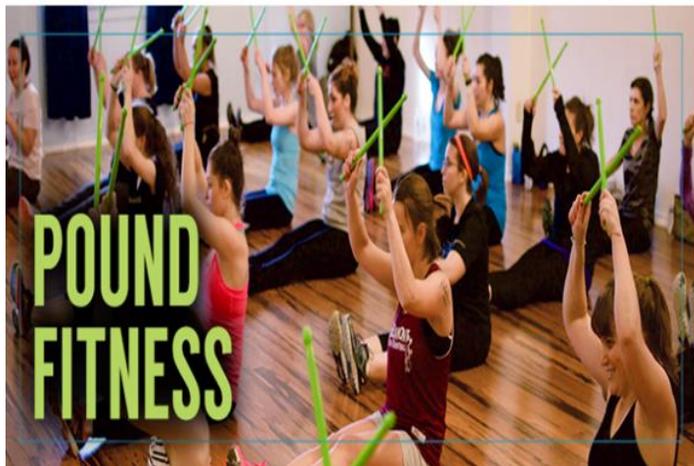


POUND - ROCKOUT. WORKOUT



DAY: SATURDAY

TIME: 10:15AM-11AM



**STARTING
FEB. 11TH**

WHEN

**Monday &
Wednesday
9:30-10:30 AM
7:00- 8:00 PM**

BENEFITS

**Dynamic Core Workout
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Weight Loss
Positive Self-Image
Exercise in Disguise
(Dancing)**



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- TRX OVERHEAD BACK EXTENSION.
- TRX SQUAT.
- TRX CHEST PRESS.
- TRX LATERAL LUNGES.
- TRX ROTATIONAL WARD.
- TRX HAMSTRING CURLS.

Starting March 5th

Tuesdays & Thursdays

12:00 PM – 12:30 PM w/Shane



Start Slow
Covington
SPORTSPLEX
Finish Strong

Yoga

with
Caroline & Michelle



Mondays 7:15-8PM

Tuesdays & Thursdays

8:30-9:30AM &

5:00-6:00PM

**Covington Sportsplex
790 Bert Johnston Ave
901-476-3734**



Start Slow
Covington
SPORTSPLEX
Finish Strong

Cardio Mix with Pam



**Mon, Wed, & Fri Mornings
8:30-9:30 AM**

**Covington Sportsplex
790 Bert Johnston Ave
901-476-3734**



Parks and Rec Working between Rains to Prepare Fields

Mayor Hanson visited with Field Maintenance Directors Morris Jones and Buckie Joy at the Covington Athletic Field on Mueller Brass Road recently to monitor progress in getting the fields ready for action. We are working hard to have games and practices between rains!



For questions or information, please call 901-476-3734 or check out the [Parks and Rec Facebook](#) page



Glenn Travis named Firefighter of the Year



Mayor Justin Hanson joined members of the Exchange Club of Tipton County, Jeff Ireland, and Assistant Chief Richard Griggs to honor Covington Firefighter Glenn Travis and his wife, Cindy.

Congratulations to Captain Glenn Travis with the Covington Fire Department on being named the Exchange Club of Tipton County's "Firefighter of the Year". Captain Travis was nominated by his departmental peers for this award. We appreciate Mr. Travis's work, his long tenure with the Covington Fire Department, and his willingness to protect and serve the citizens of Covington!



2019 Membership Incentives

New Members

- ✓ Receive (2) FREE VIP Passes (great gift for a friend or relative).
- ✓ \$25 gift card*

Member Referral Program

Members that refer (2) NEW members before June 30, 2019 receive:

- ✓ 1 entry in our drawing to receive a FREE pool party.
- ✓ \$50 gift card*

Early Renewal Rewards Program

Members that renew their membership before June 30, 2019 receive:

- ✓ 3 additional months of membership for FREE.
- ✓ (2) VIP passes for one Free Month.
- ✓ 1 entry in our drawing to receive a FREE pool party.
- ✓ \$50 gift card*

Monthly Members pay for 3 months get 1 FREE

These membership incentives end June 30, 2019

*\$50 gift card can be redeemed for Parks and Recreation merchandise, fees (except membership fees), concessions and rentals.

+Does not apply to monthly membership renewals



MUSEUM:

The Tipton County Museum, Veteran's Memorial and Walking Trail is an active place! We have events almost daily. We have a wide variety of educational materials and *welcome* school groups. You can rent our grounds and conference room for your events, as well. Come visit us and visit our website. Call 901-476-0242 for more information and support our work! Join us for these upcoming events:

- Museum continues to offer oil and acrylic classes on Fridays. Barbara Flowers McBride teaches these classes. Fee is \$60 for Museum Members and \$80 for the general public
- Sherl Rose will host a Nature Walk and Garden Tour at the Museum on **April 27** in honor of Earth Day. This event will take place at 10:00 and is free and open to the public.
- May Fest is shaping up at the Tipton County Museum and will take place on **May 4th**. There will be food, crafts, music and fun. Please call 901-476-0242 for more information. This event is free and the public is invited.



Summer Pool Parties
Available Friday, Saturday, &
Sunday Evenings

POOL
Party

Aquatic Center
476-9178



The poster features a blue background with a wavy, water-like pattern. The text is white and pink. The word 'POOL' is in large, pink, outlined letters, and 'Party' is in green, outlined letters. Below the text is a graphic of a pool with two hands sticking up. In the bottom right corner, there is a logo for Covington County, Georgia, consisting of three blue wavy lines above the text 'COVINGTON County Georgia'.

Who's ready for the 2019 **Go Lucy Go** race event?

We are counting down the hours to the **START** of all the **FUN!**

PLEASE READ THESE ITEMS CAREFULLY:

- Weather forecast is predicting rain, but please don't let the chance of rain keep you from joining us! We are making plans just in case the weather becomes severe.
- As of right now, we are still set to start the Kids Fun Run at 8:15 a.m. and the 5k & 10k will start at 9:00 a.m.
- **Packet Pickup is Friday, April 12th from 5:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m. AND Saturday, April 13th from 7:30 a.m.- 8:30 a.m. at the Covington Civic Center, [211 South Main Street, Covington, TN 38019](#).**
- We've got some REALLY COOL swag for this year's race, so please make every effort to be there Friday night to make sure you get yours!
- Announcements will be made INSIDE the Covington Civic Center at approximately 8:40 a.m. before the 5K/10k race.
- Awards will be announced at approximately 10:30 a.m. INSIDE the Civic Center.

IMPORTANT RACE TIPS:

- Course is clearly marked with signs, and local police will control the major intersections.
- Please stay to the RIGHT on the streets along the course.
- Any dogs that are participating must be on a leash. We care about our "fur friends" and their safety, too! :)
- Water stations will be at approximately Mile 1 & Mile 2. Fruit, donuts, ice cream, chicken & biscuits at the FINISH!
- Race will start and finish on the east side of the square between the Courthouse and Old Town Hall. Just look for the HUGE Start 2 Finish Banner!

We are SUPER excited to see you at packet pickup tomorrow night!

Thank you for your support and participation.

Go Lucy Go!

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Our mailing address is:

Go Lucy Go Foundation
PO Box 448
Covington, TN 38019



Saturday April 13, 2019 10am

CARNIVAL BOUNCERS, GAMES, SPECIAL GUEST APPEARANCES & DELICIOUS FOOD

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Public Works Committee Agrees to move forward with Aerator Repairs

The Public Works Committee held their regular monthly meeting at Covington City Hall on April 2, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. with the following members present: Chairman Alderman Jeff Morris, Alderman Danny Wallace, Alderwoman Minnie Bommer, and Mayor Justin Hanson. Also present were Public Works Director David Gray, Utilities Manager Calvin Johnson, Water Plant Manager James Mason, GIS/IT Coordinator Nic Shaw, Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough, Alderman C H Sullivan, Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn, and John Edwards.

Chairman Alderman Jeff Morris called meeting to order at 4:00 with a quorum present and called on Public Works Director David Gray for his report.

Gray began with an update on Well #7. All modifications should be made and the well should be up and running by April 12, 2019. Quotes from Ronald Franks Construction Co., LLC for the repair of the aerators were given for review. Director Gray gave the recommendation to proceed with the proposed quote #2 of PVC conversion trays. The total of this quote is \$68,404.00 per aerator. The cross connection plan was discussed and committee members were given a Resolution adopting this plan for review. Motion was made by Alderman Danny Wallace and seconded by Alderwoman Minnie Bommer to move forward with the proposed Quote #2 with PVC conversion trays at a cost of \$68,404.00 per aerator as recommended by Public Works Director David Gray. Motion passed. Motion was made by Alderwoman Minnie Bommer and seconded by Mayor Justin Hanson to move forward sending the Resolution for the Cross Connection Plan to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for approval pending review by City Attorney. Motion passed.

The street naming request was brought back up for discussion. The application fee and advertisement fees have not been paid to date for the application on the two street name requests. Mr. John Edwards stated he would pay these fees. Alderman Wallace requested to review the street naming policy. Alderwoman Bommer requested to make a decision on the request that has already been made on the current policy, and then review. Motion was made by Alderman Danny Wallace and seconded by Alderwoman Minnie Bommer to follow the street name policy rules/application procedure; and once the completion of these rules/procedures, move forward the renaming of the two streets requested to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen; and review the street naming policy at that time. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Alderwoman Minnie Bommer and seconded by Alderman Danny Wallace to move the street naming policy for discussion to the Finance & Administration Committee Meeting. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Mayor Justin Hanson and seconded by Alderwoman Minnie Bommer to accept the report from Public Works Director David Gray. Motion passed.

Mosquito spraying will begin on April 3, 2019 for the parks and on May 1, 2019 for rest of the city

Codes Enforcement Officer Lessie Fisher reported that the codification of the Covington Municipal Code is still in process. Research is still ongoing with the zoning and building codes of sizes for lots and structures. Motion was made by Mayor Justin Hanson and seconded by Alderwoman Minnie Bommer to accept the Codes Department Report. Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

General Welfare and Public Relations Committee hear plans for Summer Camps, Museum offerings, and news from Airport

The General Welfare and Public Relations Committee held their regular monthly meeting at Covington City Hall on April 9 with the following present: Chairman Alderwoman Minnie Bommer, Alderman Keith Phelps, Alderman C.H. Sullivan, Parks and Recreation Director Joe Mack, Museum Director Barrie Foster, Lead Accountant Kristin Mathis, Mayor Justin Hanson, and Assistant to the Mayor Sara Gangaware. Also present were Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough, Alderman Jeff Morris, Alderman Danny Wallace, and IT-GIS Coordinator Nic Shaw.

Chairman Alderwoman Bommer called the meeting to order at 4:00 with a quorum present and called on Director Mack for his report.

Parks and Recreation Director Joe Mack:

- Mack submitted a grant to the TN Department of Health - Project Diabetes on April 3, along with 6 commitment letters for support. If awarded, he will use the funding for a bicycle park.
- Healthy Park – Healthy Person – getting outside has been proven to improve your physical and mental health. Using the Healthy Parks-Healthy Person **app**, users can “check in” when using a park and log activities. Users will get points for the activities and can get awarded with gifts from the Tennessee Parks System.
- Covington Parks and Recreation has several pieces of outdoor fitness equipment scattered in several of our parks throughout the city. Fitness Coordinator Shane Butler will be in our parks for a demonstration showing people how to use the equipment. Please come for a live demonstration at the Covington Sports Complex – Mueller Brass Road – April 15 from 5:30 – 6:00. Butler will also host a live demonstration at Project Play in Cobb-Parr Park on April 16 from 5:30 – 6:00. You can catch him live at Frazier Park on April 18 from 5:30 – 6:00. If you miss a live demonstration, you can access the recordings on our website.
- Summer camps are getting organized and will provide a great deal with a meal provided and instruction by seasoned and experienced coaches and teachers. Summer camps include, but are not limited to, Art with Barrie Foster, Dance with Deborah Walker, Soccer with Maddie Ray and Lily Yates, basketball for girls AND boys with Shane Butler, Boxing with Anthony Chapman, and Swimming with Eva Dale Williams. Call 901-476-3734 for more information.
- Director Mack said the Aquatic Center will offer summer pool passes for kids that are only \$60 for kids and \$90 for a family. Passes are good from May 23 through August 11. You can purchase them NOW online, at the Aquatic Center or at the Sportsplex.

Mayor Hanson motioned to accept Mr. Mack’s report and Alderman Sullivan seconded. Motion passed.

Chairman Bommer then called on Museum Director Barrie Foster for her report.

Museum Director Barrie Foster:

- Reception tonight for April Veteran of the Month Bob Willis
- GET WRITING with Elaine Watkins will be offered at the museum on Saturday, June 15 from noon to 3:00. Call 901-476-0242 for more information
- There will be a Genealogy Lecture for help with understanding vital records and finding your roots by Archivist and Genealogist Sherri Onorati on June 1st from 10:00 – 11:30 am. The lecture is FREE to museum members and \$5 for non-members.

- Lecture and Art Class on French Romantic Artist Eugene Delacroix will be held at the museum on Saturday, May 25 from 1:00 – 4:00
- The Tipton County Museum will celebrate [National Pollinator Week](#) with “What’s the Buzz” with Sherl Rose on Saturday, June 11 from 10:00 – noon
- The Tipton County Museum won 7 awards at the Tennessee Association of Museums Conference including an award for the Tuskegee Retails: Wings for This Man exhibit, an educational programming award for their summer camps for kids, an audio/visual award for A Moment on Nature, received a special recognition for building and posting 4 bat houses, a publication award for their May Festival Poster, a digital media/social media page award for Beneath the Dirt. Sherri Onorati won an Award of Excellence for Emerging Professional.
- Museum continues to raise funds for their upcoming extension and the latest was a breakfast at Little Jimmy’s where the museum gathered over \$500 in tips. They were also able to sell several memorial bricks, while there. Please contact Director Foster if you would like to honor someone special with a brick in the wall of our museum expansion.
- The Master Gardeners held a work day at the museum last week where they spent the day cleaning out flower beds and getting ready for spring!
- Art classes continue at the museum with several different options available for the public.
- An acrylic pouring class will be held at the museum on Saturday, May 11 from 1:00 – 4:00
- Museum will hold their annual MAY FESTIVAL on May 4th from 10:00 – 3:00

Alderman Sullivan motioned to accept Director Foster’s report and Alderman Phelps seconded. Motion passed.

Airport Director Robin Anderson was not able to attend the meeting, but did submit information from the airport that Mayor Hanson read and discussed with the committee.

- Ag fuel sales for March 2019 were 790 gallons, with 650 gallons of jet fuel being sold for a total of 1340 gallons.
- The airport has received several pieces of grounds maintenance equipment through a grant, and they are looking forward to being able to maintain their own grounds this year.
- Covington Municipal Airport has submitted a tree survey funding request for review.
- The LED Lighting Project, also procured through a grant, is scheduled for a construction meeting on April 29 with a projected start date of May 6.

Alderman Sullivan motioned to accept Director Anderson’s report and Alderman Phelps seconded. Motion passed. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40.

Learn More about TDOT Aeronautics – *and* the Covington Municipal Airport!



Click on the airplane for video presentation
Learn more at: <https://www.tn.gov/tdot/aeronautics.html>

CONGRATULATIONS to Covington High's FFA



CHS FFA placed 1st in West Tennessee in the 2019 State Poultry Contest at Tennessee Tech University.

CONGRATULATIONS to all students and staff involved in this FFA Chapter – they are *EXCEPTIONAL!*

Congratulations are in order for the students of CHS FFA who finished **1st in West Tennessee** and **7th in the STATE** at the 2019 Tennessee State Poultry Judging Contest. The Lower Agriculture Mechanics Team finished **1st** in the district and second in West Tennessee. The Upper Agriculture Mechanics Team finished second in the district and fourth in West Tennessee. At the state convention, the CHS Chapter was recognized for the following: **National Gold Chapter Award, State Superior Chapter Award, 10% Membership Increase, and the PLOW Award**. The chapter also did well in Dairy Foods placing **1st** in West Tennessee and third in the State. There were also 6 members of the CHS FFA who competed in the 2019 State Agriscience Fair.

The Covington FFA had an outstanding 2019 State FFA Convention. The chapter also had six members win state proficiency awards and they include these outstanding young men: Elisha Spidler in Agriculture Sales, Wesley Gray in Diversified Crop Production, Alex Daniel in Diversified Horticulture, Corban Coughlan in Forest Management, Tommy Flanagan in Fruit Production, and Nick Kellum in Wildlife Management. Overall, the chapter represented Covington High School and the community extremely well during the week.



John Travis Turner, kneeling, Front Row (L-R): Caitlin McConnell, Dagan Schlauch, Sara Oliver, Georgia Friend, Bobbie Sue Wilson, Leanna Gray, Mrs. Liz Flanagan
Second Row (L to R): Mike Hopkins, McKenzie Delashmit, Mitch Hopkins, Mr. Bryan T. Cole. Back (L to R): Mr. Jerry Johnson, Clay Hartsfield, Alan Turner, Wesley Morris, and John Hartsfield.



[Click here to learn more about the CHS FFA.](#)



*Join Mayor Hanson for coffee, goodies,
and lively conversations...*

Tuesday, April 16 Sookie's Bake Shop on the Square
Tuesday, May 14 Sookie's Bake Shop on the Square
Tuesday, May 28 Sookie's Bake Shop on the Square
Tuesday, June 11 Sookie's Bake Shop on the Square
Tuesday, June 25 Sookie's Bake Shop on the Square

7:30 am - 9:00 am

come and go as you please

DSCC Emergency Medical Technician students learn extrication techniques from Covington Fire Department and air ambulance and landing zone safety from Hospital Wing.



New Sign in Honor and Memory of John Shelley

Mr. John Shelley dedicated much of his life to youth baseball in Covington, and this new scoreboard sign helps us remember his work building skills and sportsmanship among our youth.



Tipton County 4-H April Newsletter



Want more information or have questions? Contact Brigitte Passman, 4-H Youth Development Agent
Office location: 111 W. Washington Ave, Covington, TN 38019
Office number: 901-476-0231
Email: brigpass@utk.edu

Congratulations to our 4-H Sub-Regional Speech Winners

4th Grade: Aubrie Scott 1st place winner



6th Grade: Madison Haak 5th place



5th Grade: Baylea Walton 1st place



7th Grade: Ashlynn Henry 2nd place



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Real. Life. Solutions.™



[CLICK HERE to read the complete 4-H Newsletter](#)
Don't miss out on **4-H CAMPS THIS SUMMER!**

HERE are just A FEW of the SUMMER CAMPS offered by our Extension Office

Jr. 4-H Camp

June 17-21, 2019

Recreation Activities

Late Night Hikes

Wildlife

Arts & Crafts

Swimming with a water slide

Smores

Creek Stomping

SO MUCH MORE

Archery

FUN 24/7

Creek Stomping

TO SIGN UP CALL 901-476-0231

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WHAT'S TO GAIN FROM ATTENDING CULINARY U?

- 4-H members will develop strategies for safe food handling and food safety practices.
- 4-H members will develop culinary skills.
- 4-H members will develop leadership and communication skills.
- 4-H members will gain professional development experiences to include in his/her portfolio.

CULINARY U

CAMP

JULY 10-12, 2019

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, MARTIN

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CULINARY U?

Teens ages 14-18 will spend three days on the UTM campus learning about the culinary world. Some of the activities include:

- Knife skills
- Kitchen safety
- Grilling
- Baking
- Cake decorating
- 4-H Iron Chef Competition
- And more.....

\$100.00

Registration Deadline

May 15 with Tipton

County UT/TSU Extension Office

4-H Electric Camp

June 25 - 28, 2019

\$290.00

Call 901-476-0231

or

email brigpass@utk.edu

4-H Electric Camp is a fun-filled, rewarding adventure in electricity at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. Youth will learn what electricity is & how it works. Youth will complete hands-on activities so that you can learn by doing. Youth will also have the chance to meet other 4-H'ers from across Tennessee and explore careers in energy, electricity and basic sciences. It's really an electrifying experience!

Camp

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Plant Camp

For Middle School grades 6-8
And High School 9-12

May 28—May 31, 2019

9:00am— 12:00noon

At the Tipton County Extension Office
111 West Washington Avenue
Covington, TN 38019

- 4 days of plant STEM skills and fun!
- Seed planting, Landscaping, Vermiculture, and Trees are a few of the topics covered!

\$40.00 Registration Fee

Call (901) 476-0231

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Future Business Leaders of America going Strong at CHS

The Covington High School Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America has increased in membership over the past few years from 0 members to 58. The members have recently attended the Regional Leadership Conference at Union University in Jackson, TN. Eighteen students competed in different contests, 14 placed in the top 7 and were eligible to advance to the state conference in Chattanooga, TN. In March, eleven FBLA members attended the State Leadership Conference in Chattanooga, TN to compete in Accounting, Advertising, Business Math, Business Communications, Health Care Administration, Journalism, Organizational Leadership, Public Speaking, and Word Processing. Anna Nason placed first in Accounting, Yasmine Ransom placed first in Health Care Administration, Katelyn Bricco placed first in Word Processing, Jamarr Maclin placed fourth in Organizational Leadership, and Karis Thomas placed fifth in Advertising. Other students competing were Tony Ybarra, Riley Brown, Bryson Miser, Cheyenne Embry, Miriam Guerrero, and Maggie Sanders. This is first year that our chapter has qualified for the National Leadership Conference in San Antonio, TX. Our chapter has never been so successful.

Christie Coughlan
Covington High School
Business & Technology Dept.
FBLA Sponsor



CHS FBLA Regional Competitors



CHS FBLA State Competitors

We are very proud of the hard work and dedication these students have put into our competitions and in helping the CHS chapter grow.

Week of the Young Child Celebrated at NWTN HeadStart in Covington

The children in the Northwest Tennessee Head Start program in Frazier Park in Covington celebrated with community leaders with a “work day with the community” as part of their week-long recognition of [WOYC](#) Mayor Hanson, and members of the Tipton County Sheriff’s Office and the Covington Fire Department joined the staff at HeadStart in helping the young children learn.



We are always pleased to be invited to our local [Head Start](#) events. Director Bev Roberts and her fine staff do an excellent job at this facility carrying out such an important mission – educating our *young* children!

Crestview Middle students visit Weather Center at WREG

On April 5th, Crestview Middle School CMS TV Club, advisor Mr. Jonathon Mooney, and chaperones had an opportunity to visit WREG TV News Channel 3 and Meteorologist Austen Onek. The students had a wonderful time touring the studio and hearing about how live shows are broadcast. They also learned about different career opportunities at WREG.



ATTENTION ALL TIPTON COUNTY VETERANS AND/OR WIDOWS OF VETERANS - YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR VA BENEFITS

A recent court decision has opened the doors to over 190,000 Navy Sailors of Vietnam waters for Veterans and/or survivors' benefits.

If you are one of these Veterans or a Family member of one those please call the Tipton County Veterans Service Office for assistance in seeing what benefits are available and filing these claims. Unlike the advertisements by lawyers and other claims agents, the Tipton County Veterans Service Officer is FREE. NO CHARGES EVER.

Additionally, if you are Veteran and/or a Widow of a Veteran you should contact the Veterans Service Office to schedule an appointment to see if you are eligible for benefits which you have been missing out on all these years. War Time ERA Widows and Veterans can be eligible up to \$2,000.00+.

Please call the office at 901-476-2456. Office Hours are Monday to Wednesday 8-4.



BCHRR Equity, Inclusion & Service to Others Day

PROJECT#12218

Join Us In Service



MY FUTURE
Virtual Graffiti
Wall Digital Project

Friday, April 12, 3PM - 7PM, Volunteers will create up to 300 Happy Day cards, Comcast Cares Day Equity and Inclusion themed artwork to teach youth that they matter and all are welcomed at BGC. The My.Future team will teach volunteers how to create and share a digital graffiti wall.

Site Leader: Felisha Mason

Site: Boys and Girls Club of the Hatchie River Region (BCHRR)
412 Long Avenue, Covington, TN, USA

CCD Project Coordinator: Evangeline Parker-Guest

Register at: www.comcastinthecommunity.com

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Join the Chorus!

The Tipton Community Chorus meets on Mondays from 6:00-7:30 PM at St Matthew's Episcopal Church on Munford Street in Covington - right across from Covington City Hall. Like the Marines, we are looking for a few good men....and ladies too, *of course!* Please join us!



MONDAYS AT 6:00 PM, ST.
MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN
US AND BEGIN
REHEARSAL FOR MAYFEST ON MAY 4TH.



For more information, contact Choir Director Chuck Clark at 901-474-1052 or contact@chuckclark.online

Stay Informed with the Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce [Newsletter](#) where you will see JOB POSTINGS, NEWS, and EVENTS pertaining to our local area!

CHS Announces J.R. Kirby is new Head Coach of Charger Football



Showing his enthusiasm for a winning team full of hard working young men, Coach Kirby leaps high off the ground to support his players. This kind of dedication helped lead to his new position.

Upcoming EVENTS

All regularly scheduled committee meetings are at **4:00 pm** in the Lower Level Conference Room at Covington City Hall at 200 West Washington Street. All Board of Mayor and Aldermen meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings of each month at **5:30** in the Conference Room on the second floor at Covington City Hall. ALL are open to the public.

- 1st Tuesdays – Public Works Committee
 - Jeff Morris, Chairman
 - Minnie Bommer
 - Danny Wallace
- 2nd Tuesdays – General Welfare and Public Relations Committee
 - Minnie Bommer, Chairman
 - Keith Phelps
 - C.H. Sullivan
- 3rd Tuesdays – Finance and Administration Committee
 - C.H. Sullivan, Chairman
 - All aldermen attend
- 4th Tuesday – Public Safety Committee
 - C.H. Sullivan
 - Johnetta Yarbrough
- April 13 – [GO LUCY GO 5K-10K](#) and kids fun run in COVINGTON! **JOIN THE FUN ON THE SQUARE!**
- April 13 – Paradise Church Children’s Carnival – [click here to learn more](#)
- April 19 – City Hall Closed in observance of Good Friday.
- April 27 – A Walk in Nature – 10:00 am – Tipton County Museum [click here for details](#)
- April 27 – [Music on the Square](#) begins
- April 27 – 26th annual Carl Perkins Center Dinner and Auction – [click here for more information](#)
- May 04 – Farmers Market opens – 8:00 am – 2:00 pm
- May 04 – MAYFEST at Tipton County Museum – [click here for details](#)
- May 09 – Spaghetti Lunch for Tipton County Commission on Aging – help yourself to a great lunch and help senior citizens, as well! [Click here for details.](#)
- May 11 – Acrylic Pouring Workshop at Museum – 1:00 – 4:00. [Click here for details](#)
- May 16 – Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce [Spring Industrial Appreciation Golf Tournament](#) at Covington Country Club
- May 18 – Household Hazardous Waste Collection – Brighton High School – 9:00 – 1:00. [Click here to learn more](#)
- May 25 – A Day of Art studying [Eugene Delacroix](#) – Tipton County Museum - [click here for details.](#)



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

[City of Covington](#)

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

[Tipton County](#)

[Covington Sportsplex](#)

[Drug Free Tipton](#)

[Tipton County Schools](#)

[South Tipton Chamber of Commerce](#)

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

[Covington Aquatic Center](#)

[Tipton County Museum](#)

*Information in this newsletter is an overview of events. All *official* minutes and documents can be viewed at Covington City Hall at 200 West Washington Street, Covington, or on our website at www.covingtontn.com

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CIAA hosted Parent-Teacher-Student basketball game and a Lovely Fine Dining Experience celebrating Dance Troupe



Above - While CIAA has involved parents, teachers, and students in a “friendly” game of basketball each year for several years, this may be the first time for students to claim victory!

Right and below – trophies were on display from the CIAA Dance Troupe during a lovely fine dining dinner held at the school recently in honor of the dance troupe. These students have been invited to Orlando for the [Tremaine National Competition!](#) WHOOP!



Dance Coach and instructor [Deborah Walker](#) , the students, and their parents are working hard to help get these young performers to this “invitation-only” event.



IT'S A
BIG
DEAL

Spring Industrial Appreciation Golf Tournament



Spring Industrial Appreciation Golf Tournament

Thursday, May 16th 2019
Covington Country Club

Tee Off at 12:30pm Lunch Served at 11am

*Join us as we celebrate and show appreciation of local
Tipton County Manufacturers that provide jobs
and positively impact the economy in our region!*



- Industries get 1 FREE Team and Golf Cart
- All other teams pay \$300 which includes Green Fees, Lunches, Drinks, Soups & Entry to Door Prize Drawing for 4 Players
- Try the Putting Contest for a Chance to Win a destination GOLF TRIP-

Save the Date

A photograph of a farmers market stall with various fresh vegetables in wooden crates, including carrots, cucumbers, and leafy greens.

**COURT SQUARE
EST. FARMERS MARKET 2010
COVINGTON TENNESSEE**

2019 SEASON OPENER
Saturday, May 4th 8am - 2pm

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Friends of the Tipton County Animal Shelter

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To purchase a t-shirt, you
can fill out the form at
<https://bit.ly/2tc5PQ3>

volunteer



Volunteer- We have service opportunities for businesses to support us whether it be a donation drive or team building through dog walking groups!

If interested, please contact us at volunteercas@gmail.com.

If you would like to volunteer as an individual, you can fill out a form by clicking this link: <https://bit.ly/2SdaeA7>

Classic Sea World Inc.



OPEN Monday—Saturday

8am—5:30pm

217 Hwy 51 North, Covington

901 476 1955



New selection of Pond Fish just arrived!

Flea & Tick Season is right around the corner.

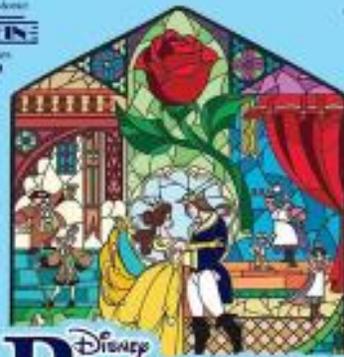
Get your dog groomed and protect your lovable pet.

Schedule your appointment today!

Ruffin Theater Showing

The Ruffin
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2019

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Disney BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

Directed by
Robert Jess Roth

Music by
Alan Menken

Lyrics by
Howard Ashman & Tim Rice

Book by
Linda Woolverton

Originally Directed by
Robert Jess Roth

Originally Produced by
Disney Theatrical Productions

April 5, 6, 12 & 13 at 7pm

April 7 & 14 at 2 pm

ruffin.theater

Disney's BEAUTY AND THE BEAST is presented through special arrangement with Disney Theatrical Productions, LLC. All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. ©2019 MTITheatre.com

2019 COMMUNITY HOLY WEEK NOONTIME SCHEDULE

Monday, April 15: Location—Covington First Baptist Church – 2106 Highway 59
Preacher: Rev. Tom Ralstin; Lunch to follow service

Tuesday, April 16: Location—Covington First Presbyterian Church – 403 S. Main Street
Preacher: Rev. Ed Hawkins; Lunch to follow service

Wednesday, April 17: Location—Covington Assembly of God - 1861 Highway 51 South
Preacher: Rev. Scott Sealy; Lunch to follow service

Thursday, April 18: Location—Covington First United Methodist Church – 145 West Church Street
Preacher—Rev. Chuck Williams; Lunch to follow service

Friday, April 19: Location—Central Christian Church – 400 South Maple Street (no lunch)
Preacher—Rev. Dan Camp



Volunteer Opportunities

Looking for a fun way to get involved with your local community?
The Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce
has volunteer opportunities available for upcoming events!



Call 901 476 9727

OR Email: lauren@covington-tiptoncochamber.com
for further details.

Tipton County Commission on Aging

SPAGHETTI LUNCH

Thursday, May 9, 2019

From

11:00 – 2:00

100 W. Washington St.

Covington, TN 38019

Tickets \$10.00

Call 476-3333 for info

Dine in or carry out available

All proceeds benefit our non-profit organization



Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event
Saturday – May 18, 2019

Sponsored by Tennessee
Department of Environment
and Conservation

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Brighton High School
8045 Hwy 51 South, Brighton

Household Hazardous Waste - is defined as corrosive, flammable, toxic, or reactive materials used in your home, car or truck, or garden and lawn that is unwanted/unused.



Now's your chance... It's FREE!

You can dispose of all those left over household chemicals, lawn and garden products and automotive materials that you've never known what to do with.

Things to Bring:

Household Cleaners

Drain openers
Oven Cleaners
Wood Cleaners & Polishes
Metal Cleaners & Polishes
Toilet Bowl Cleaners
Disinfectants

Home Maintenance

Chemicals

Paint Thinner
Wood Preservatives
Paint Strippers & Removers,
Adhesives
Oil-based Paint

Miscellaneous

Fingernail Polish Remover
Pool Chemicals
Photo Processing Chemicals
Medicines & Drugs
Reactive Materials
Aerosols
Compressed Gas
Mercury Thermostats
Mercury Thermometers
Fluorescent Light Bulbs
Needles/Sharps (in container)
Lead

Lawn & Garden

Chemicals

Herbicides
Pesticides
Fungicides
Fertilizers

Automotive Products

Fuel Additives
Grease & Rust Solvents
Air Conditioning Refrigerants
Starter Fluids
Body Putty
Coolants
Carburetor/ Fuel Injector Cleaners

NO Medical Waste, Infectious Waste, Radioactive Waste, Explosives, Ammunition, Electronics, Latex Paint, Motor Oil, Alkaline Batteries, or Any Empty Containers.

Waste from NON-household sources such as Businesses, Schools, Farms, Churches, Etc. will be accepted BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. Call 615-643-3170 to request a price quote and schedule an appointment.

If you have questions or need additional information, please call 901-476-0254.



Introduction to Services

(Arrive 30 minutes early)

Ripley AJC
First & Third
Monday Afternoon
12:30pm
***call center for dates**

Covington AJC
Second & Fourth
Monday Afternoon
12:30 pm
***call center for dates**

locations

Ripley AJC Location & Phone #

301 C Lake Drive

Ripley, TN 38063

731-221-1012

Covington AJC Location & Phone #

877 Hwy 51 By Pass

Covington, TN 38019

901-313-9434

Hours of Operation:

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Follow WIN on

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The Workforce Investment Network (WIN) is a partner of the American Job Centers. This agency is a recipient of taxpayer funding, and serves the City of Memphis, Shelby County, and Fayette County. The Career Center System is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. TTY: 1-800-848-029

Revised 08/09/2018

Randstad comes to the American Jobs Center in Covington every other Monday from 8:00 – 4:00 p.m. for interviews and applications. AJC is located right behind PIZZA HUT in Covington.

GED TRAINING/TESTING AVAILABLE!

[Click here for details.](#)

SAVE THE DATE

for a
Supercalifragalisticexpialidocious

*26th Annual
Dinner & Auction
Special Guest Speaker
Matthew Sandusky*

*Survivor of Child Sexual Abuse from
Adoptive Father, Penn State Coach
Jerry Sandusky*



**April 27, 2019
6:00pm
803 S. College
Covington, TN
Covington High School
Gymnasium**

TO BENEFIT THE CARL PERKINS CENTER



Music on the Square

Band Lineup

APRIL 27

COUSINS BAND

MAY 4

CROSSROADS BAND

MAY 11

INFINITY BAND

MAY 18

NEW GENERATION BAND

Music begins at 7pm and ends at 9pm during scheduled Saturday evenings on our historic square.

Non-profit organizations will be on site to provide a variety of concessions.

Bring your lawn chairs and come join the FUN!

Call Karen at the Covington Civic Center for more information.

901.475.7139



Presents An Evening Of Celebrating Local Innovation

2019

GALA AND AWARDS

Tuesday

April 30th

PRE EVENT SOCIAL: 5PM

DINNER & PROGRAM: 6PM

\$30/PERSON OR \$300/TABLE OF 8



**AWARD NOMINATIONS AND EVENT
REGISTRATION BEGINS MARCH 4TH!**

Tipton County Public Library News

Check out what's in store for you at our local Library this month!



COME JOIN THE

TIPTON COUNTY STITCH ALONG

All Skill levels are welcome! Bring a project to work on, or if you want to learn bring the following supplies: A skein of Red Heat Super-Saver yarn and a size H crochet hook or size 10 knitting needles

We will be meeting at the Tipton County Public Library on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 10:00-12:00PM



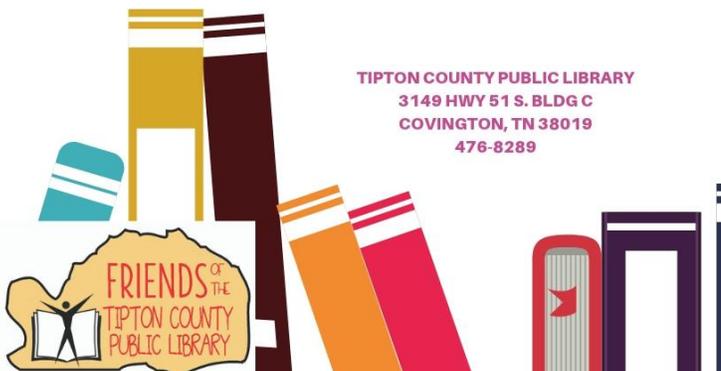
FRIENDS OF THE TIPTON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

ANNUAL SPRING BOOK SALE

**FRIENDS OF THE TIPTON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY MEMBER'S ONLY NIGHT
APRIL 25TH 4-7:00 PM**

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&
APRIL 27TH 10-2:00 PM**

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REVOLUTIONARY WAR VETERANS AND THEIR INFLUENCE ON TIPTON COUNTY HISTORY

Presented by Mr. David A. Gwinn, Tipton County Genealogist and Local Historian

March 30, 2019 at 10:00AM

Tipton County Public Library
3149 Hwy 51 S. Bldg. C
Covington, TN 38019
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This program is part of Revisiting the Founding Era, a three-year national initiative of the Glider Lehrman Institute of American History presented in partnership with the American Library Association and the National Constitution Center, with generous support from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Movie Days



Green Book

April 2nd @ 1:00 PM [PG-13] 130 Min

A Star is Born (2018)

April 4th @ 6:30 PM [R] 135 Min.

A Star is Born (1955)

April 5th @ 1:00 PM [PG] 154 Min.

The Mule

April 9th @ 1:00 PM [R] 116 Min.

A Star is Born (1976)

April 12th @ 1:00 PM [R] 140 Min.

On the Basis of Sex

April 23rd @ 1:00 PM [PG-13] 120 Min.

A Dog's Way Home

April 30th @ 1:00 PM [PG] 137 Min.



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WALK-INS WELCOME!

Monday	2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Wednesday	2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

JANUARY 28 - APRIL 15, 2019



[News from the Tipton County Museum, Nature Trail, and Veteran's Memorial](#)

[Click here to read Museum Newsletter](#)

Pay Tribute to your personal hero, remember your loved ones, and honor those special people in your life by purchasing bricks for the museum addition. Go visit the museum to see the memorial bricks or call 901-476-0242 for more information.

From Director Barrie Foster:

Thank you for your continued support of the Tipton County Museum! **Please join us for these exciting events:**



The Tipton County Museum Presents

"Pour and More"

An Acrylic Pouring Workshop

With Artist in Residence *Debra Howze*



Join us for an exhilarating afternoon of art! Deb will show you how easy and fun it is to create beautiful and unique artwork with this technique. No experience is required and we provide all the supplies. Please call the museum to register. Ages 10 and up.

When: Saturday, May 11, 2019. 1 to 4 p.m.

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

Fee: \$40 Museum Members, \$45 General Public

Tipton County Museum
751 Bert Johnston Avenue, P.O. Box 768,
Covington, TN 38019
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Tipton County Museum Director Barrie Foster Guest Speaker at Rotary Club



Rotarians Mark Heaston and Mary Dell Boyd welcomed Museum Director Barrie Foster to their lunch meeting at the Covington Country Club. Mrs. Foster spoke to the group about the many programs and activities at the museum, as well as their special exhibits and expansion efforts. Anyone interested in purchasing an honorary brick for the building expansion, please contact Director Foster at 901-476-0242 or bfoster@covingtontn.com



The Tipton County Museum,
Veterans Memorial & Nature Center

Presents

“Nature Walk & Garden Tour
with Sherl Rose”

When: Saturday, April 27, 2019, 10:00 a.m.

Where: Tipton County Museum
751 Bert Johnston Ave.
Covington, TN 38019
(901) 476-0242

Fee: FREE!!!!

Please join us for an enchanting morning at the Tipton County Museum as Sherl Rose shows you the magic that lies within the half mile Nature Trail, then leads you through a tour of the herb gardens. Refreshments will be served, and everyone is invited. See you there!



Tipton County Museum
2019 Artist in Residence

Debra Howze

After earning her Associate's Degree in Commercial Arts in 1975, Debra entered the world of art not sure of what aspect she would like to do. Forty years later, she has dabbled in pottery, stained glass, sculpture, calligraphy, pen and ink, acrylics, crafts, and photography. She credits the Tipton Art League as being instrumental in her success as an artist. She has taught art locally both to adults and children in the community for several years. Debra loves travelling and spending time with friends. She and her husband live in Atoka.





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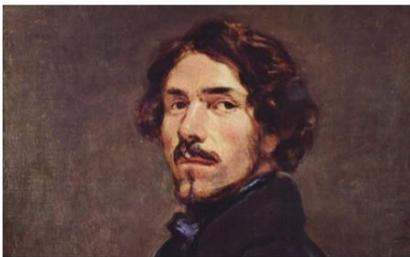
Presents

French Romantic Artist

Éugene Delacroix

Lecture & Art Class

Saturday, May 25, 2019



Delacroix was a French artist who is considered the leader of the French Romantic School movement, and was a big influence on the Impressionists. Art and Garden Historian Dominique Bellott returns to talk about this fascinating artist during the morning session, and Museum Director and professional artist Barrie Foster will



lead the class in painting his "Soleil-couchant-à- Champrosay" in acrylics on a 16 X 20 canvas in the afternoon. No previous art experience required, and we provide all the supplies. Refreshments will be served.

You may participate in one activity without the other.

Lecture: 10 a.m.–11:00 a.m.

Fee: Free to Museum Members,

\$5 General Public

Art Class: 1 p.m.–4 p.m.

Fee: \$35 Museum Members

\$40 General Public



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Gioiello Featured Artist



Elaine Weir Watkins

Elaine began making up stories and writing them down when she was in grade school. She also wrote poetry, and her fourth grade teacher, Mrs. Clark, would let Elaine read her poems to the class. Many years ago Elaine entered a featured article contest for a magazine and won. In addition to writing books and short stories, she writes a community news column for the Leader, which she has been doing since 1989. Elaine and her husband James live in Covington.



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Tipton County Museum, Veterans Memorial & Nature Center

Presents

“Minnie Bommer: *A Jewel in Covington’s Crown*”

Opening Reception: Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Exhibit Dates: March 1, 2019—June 30, 2019

The Tipton County Museum celebrates Women’s Month in March by honoring Minnie Bommer, an outstanding community leader who has dedicated her life to service. She has worked tirelessly to honor women in Tipton County, and now it is our turn to honor her!

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Reception Held at Museum in Honor of Minnie Bommer

The Conference Room was full of guests and supporters who gathered to support the work of Alderwoman Minnie Bommer, who is being highlighted this month at the Tipton County Museum



L-R Museum Director Barrie Foster, Archivist Sherry Onorati, Master Gardener Sherl Rose, and Vice-Mayor Johnetta Yarbrough stand with Alderwoman Minnie Bommer (C) at the reception honoring her and her work in the community.

Tipton County Museum, Veterans Memorial & Nature Center



Veteran of the Month April 2019 **Bob George Willis**



Bob George Willis was born January 28, 1942, in Oakland, California. He was raised for the most part in the Oakland Bay Area, but did for a short time live in Denver, Colorado and Redding and Pleasanton, California. He joined the Marine Corps on March 16, 1960, but delayed going to boot camp until June 22 in order to graduate from Oakland Technical High School. Upon graduation he went to Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, California for boot camp. When he finished boot camp and Individual Combat Training at Camp Pendleton, California he reported to 4th 155 Howitzer Battery at 29 Palms, California for training as a Field Artilleryman. He spent the next 4 years at 29 Palms, California, Okinawa, Japan, and Camp Pendleton, California as an Artilleryman, Explosives Truck Driver, and did 6 months as a Rifle Range Marksmanship Coach while on Okinawa. As the end of his first enlistment approached, Bob determined that there was not much future in the Artillery and opted to reenlist to go into one of the aviation fields.

Bob arrived at the Naval Air Technical Training Center Memphis (Millington) in April 1964. While at Millington he bought his first car, got married, and graduated from Crash Crew School all in a 4-month period. When he left Millington, he reported to Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, North Carolina where he served as an Aircraft Crash Firefighter (with a brief 6-month tour as a Military Policeman). Over the next 26 years he served Crash Crews at Marine Corps Air Stations and Facilities in North Carolina, Okinawa, Japan, Virginia, Hawaii, Iwakuni, Japan, California, and as a Drill Instructor at Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island, South Carolina. September 10, 1968, Bob reported to Marine Aircraft Group – 36 at Phu Bai, Republic of South Vietnam where he served as a Section Leader in the Crash Crew for 13 months.

After retiring from the Marine Corps as a Master Gunnery Sergeant, with 29 years, 10 months and 13 days of active duty in February 1990, Bob went to work for the U.S. Coast Guard as a civilian Fire Chief at the Coast Guard's largest base in the United States at Elizabeth City, NC where he worked until 2006, retiring with 16 years 4 months service. He earned numerous awards and recognition including Civilian of the Quarter and Professional Designation as a Chief Fire Officer from the International Association of Fire Chiefs. While living in Elizabeth City, Bob also volunteered as a Paramedic with the County Rescue Squad for 16 years. In 1983, while serving at Marine Corp Air Station Cherry Point Bob met his wife, Pat. After a whirl wind courtship, they were married beginning their 35-year marriage. Bob and Pat moved to Drummonds in April 2012, to be closer to his sons George and Larry.

Bob's awards and decorations from the Marine Corps include the Meritorious Service Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, Navy Meritorious Unit Citation, Good Conduct Medal (9 awards), National Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with 4 campaign stars, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon with 1 star, Drill Instructors Ribbon, Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm and Frame Unit Award, Republic of Vietnam civic Action Honor Medal with Palm and Frame Unit Award, Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device, Rifle Expert Badge with 9 awards, Pistol Expert Badge with 9 awards, and numerous Letter of Appreciation and Citations. Bob is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Vietnam Veterans of America, Marine Corps League, Aircraft Fire Fighting & Rescue Association, and the Tipton County Veterans Council. Bob volunteers at the VA Medical Center twice a week helping Veterans with their My Healthy Vet accounts. He was nominated for Veteran of the Month by Melissa Oaks.

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Veteran of the Month Reception

Every 2nd Tuesday Evening at 6:30

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Reception Held for April Veteran of the Month

Friends, family, fellow veterans, members of the Tipton County Veterans Council, and Girl Scouts gathered at the Tipton County museum to honor April Veteran of the Month Bob George Willis



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