

## From the Mayor's Desk

*Thoughts and perceptions  
from Mayor Justin Hanson*

*Hello Friends and Neighbors!*

We have entered the 21<sup>st</sup> century! The City of Covington now offers bill paying online! This service allows you to pay your bills and taxes in several ways, which are explained on our website at [www.covingtontn.com](http://www.covingtontn.com). In short, you can pay your taxes on a fully automated phone line by dialing 844-867-1859. You can make a utility payment over the phone in the same manner by dialing 844-876-2911 – you will be asked to enter your account number, so have that handy when making the call. The automated phone lines accept MasterCard, Discover, and Visa. If you wish to use PayPal or American Express, you will need to make your payment online at <https://paycovingtontn.com/#/>. There, you will find tabs for property taxes, utilities, and other payments. These services will enable our customers to make payments at any time of the day or night and from any location. We also offer automatic draft payment options, which helps folks stay current on payments and offers a no-worry approach to services no matter where you are when payments are due! Automatic drafts can easily be set up in our customer service department. To learn more about this, please call customer service at 901-476-9613 ext 118 or 113.

We are also offering our community summer camps, and lots of them! If your children or teens like sports – you are in luck! We have swimming, boxing, softball, volleyball, basketball, and more! Enjoy the arts? We have that, as well! Check out Arts and Crafts, Nature, Dance, and Choir. Looking for family fun? Explore our Movies in the Park schedule! Don't forget that the [Tipton Arts Council](#) offers several opportunities to get involved in community theater, the [Tipton County Commission on Aging](#) offers a wide variety of programming and is housed in our newly renovated and updated [Covington Civic Center](#). The [Tipton County Museum](#) located adjacent to Cobb-Parr Park offers not only a great museum, but also has wonderful special exhibits, exceptional educational programming for school-aged children, and a variety of arts classes, as well. We are also participating in [Healthier Tennessee](#) through the Tennessee Department of Public Health, so please join us on upcoming walks and other physical activities throughout our city.

You will find information and links to all these events and more in this newsletter. My purpose in this communication is to keep you well informed and updated so you can take advantage of all the fine things this city has to offer. We are happy and eager to serve the people of Covington and appreciate your input and participation!

*Justin*



# COMING THIS SUMMER

## Covington Park & Recreation

### summer CAMPS

Choir June 3-7  
Ages 5-10 8AM-12PM

Volleyball June 24-28  
Ages 9-14 8AM-12PM

Flag Football June 3-7  
Ages 9-13 8AM-12PM

Futsal July 15-19  
Ages 5-12 8AM - 12PM

Arts & Crafts June 10-14  
Ages 5-9 8AM-12PM

Art July 22-26  
Ages 10-18 8AM-12PM

Boxing June 10-14  
Ages 8-16 8AM-12PM

Basketball – (Boys) July 22-26  
Ages 10-13 8AM-12PM

Softball June 10-14  
Ages 5-13 8AM-12PM

Basketball –(Boys) July 22-26  
Ages 14-18 \*12PM-4PM

Soccer June 17-21  
Ages 7-12 8AM-12PM

Basketball – (Girls) July 29-Aug. 2  
Ages 10-13 8AM-12PM

Swimming June 17-21  
Ages 5-18 8AM-12PM

Basketball –(Girls) July 29-Aug. 2  
Ages 14-18 \*12PM-4PM

Nature June 17-21  
Ages 10-18 8AM-12PM

**\$55 per Camp**  
**Camp includes**  
**Breakfast & Lunch**  
**\*Lunch ONLY Camp**

Dance June 24-28  
Ages 5-18 8AM-12PM

Ralph Breaks the Internet  
May 23 – Sports Complex

Mary Poppins  
June 13 -Baltzer Field

Aquaman  
July 12 – Aquatic Center

Spiderman  
into the Spider Verse  
July 19 – Frazier Field

Incredibles 2  
August 6 – Frazier Field



### Aquatic Center

June 3-7 - Learn to Swim Level 1&2 (11-12PM)

- Adult learning the basics (5-6 PM)

June 10-14 - Learn to Swim Level 3 (11-12PM)

June 17-21 - Swim Camp Ages: 6-18 (8-12PM)

June 24-28 - Learn to Swim Level 4 (11-12)

July 1-5 - No lessons

July 8-12 - Preschool aquatics (ages: 4-5)(11-12PM)

July 15-19 - Parent & Child aquatics (ages: 6 mos-3)(5-6PM)

July 22-26 - Adult Stroke Refinement (5-6PM)

# 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](http://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](http://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 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.](#)

## **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.



**The Covington Aquatic Center 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.

To learn more about swimming, pool rentals, park rentals, youth sports, adult sports & fitness, our museum, summer camps, movies in the parks, and more - please Call 901-476-3734 or [click here](#).

## **CODES:**

- Revised sign ordinance *AND* Sign applications are on the [City website](#)
- **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](mailto:planning.building@covingtontn.com)

# 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](http://www.VolunteerFireTN.org)  
1-844-Vol-Tenn (1-844-865-8366)




**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

## 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.



**Covington Fire Department, and Sparky the Fire Safety Dog, helped people who attended Paradise Church's Children's Carnival learn about fire safety.**

**PARKS AND RECREATION:**



**SPIN BIKE GROUP**



**DAYS:** TUES & THURS

**TIME:** 9:30AM-10AM

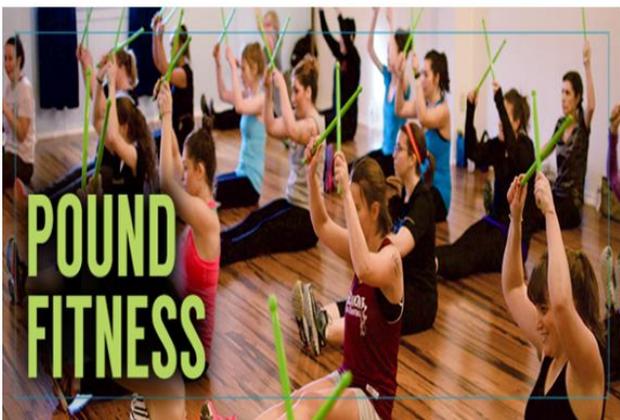


**POUND - ROCKOUT. WORKOUT**



**DAY:** SATURDAY

**TIME:** 10:15AM-11AM





**STARTING  
FEB. 11<sup>TH</sup>**

**WHEN**

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

**BENEFITS**

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



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FREE**

*Covington*   
**SPORTSPLEX**  
790 Bert Johnston Ave  
Covington TN 38019



# TRX



With these moves, you'll jumpstart your fitness journey as you build muscle and melt away fat.

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

**Starting March 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Tuesdays & Thursdays**

**12:00 PM – 12:30 PM w/Shane**

**Start Slow**  
*Covington*   
**SPORTSPLEX**  
**Finish Strong**

## Yoga

with  
**Caroline & Michelle**



**New**

**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**





# 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*. There's a wide variety of educational materials and we *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 4<sup>th</sup>**. There will be food, crafts, music and fun. You can see the Tipton County Line Dancers and the Tipton County Chorus perform. Please call 901-476-0242 for more information. This event is free and the public is invited.

Several members of the Tipton County Master Gardeners gathered at the Tipton County Museum recently to create identification labels for the butterfly garden and the herb garden on the museum grounds. Saturday, they volunteered again by raking and mulching. We appreciate the Tipton County Master Gardeners and all they do for the Tipton County Museum!



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

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**

# City of Covington Offers On-Line Bill Pay

**We have a new payment system to accept your online and pay-by-phone payments. Click the link to make your payments online.**

If you would like to call in to make a **TAX payment by phone, you can dial 844-867-1859**, toll free. REMEMBER you must have your receipt number to complete your payment.

To make a **UTILITY payment by phone, you can call 844-876-2911**. You will be asked to enter your account number.

These are both fully automated lines. Phone payments only accept MasterCard, Discover and Visa. If you wish to use PayPal or American Express, you will need to make your payment online.



[click here to access our online options](#)

## Public Safety Committee Approves Drug Take-Back Operation and New Code of Ethics for Firefighters

The Public Safety Committee held their regular monthly meeting at Covington City Hall on Tuesday, April 23, at 4:00 pm. Present were Chairman Alderman Keith Phelps, Alderman C.H. Sullivan, Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough, Mayor Justin Hanson, Recorder-Treasurer Tina Dunn, Covington Police Chief Buddy Lewis, Acting Fire Chief Richard Griggs, and Assistant to the Mayor Sara Gangaware. Also present were Alderman Jeff Morris, Alderman Danny Wallace, and Alderwoman Minnie Bommer.

Chairman Alderman Keith Phelps was running a bit late and the committee elected Mayor Hanson to chair the meeting and begin the session. Hanson called the meeting to order at 4:00 with a quorum present and called on Police Chief Lewis to make his report. Alderman Phelps joined meeting at 4:02.

Chief Lewis:

- Have hired officers Dowell and Bean – both certified officers. Dowell assigned to Gang Unit, and Bean will be on patrol.
- Gang Unit will attend training in Millington next week. 5 officers will attend and Lewis stated this is a great training opportunity for them.
- Officer Stanifer was involved in a life-saving operation out in Tipton County where he pulled a victim out of flood water. Lewis told the committee he has body cam video of the event and offered committee members the opportunity to view it if they wished. There were two victims trapped in high water, and Covington Fire and Covington Police responded to the event. Stanifer was able to save one of the victims, but the other person washed away before rescue could take place.
- Investigator Hall planning to complete an assignment to the TBI Task Force. Lewis feels that although this will create a temporary loss for the CPD, the opportunity for learning and making important connections within TBI will be very important for us in the long run. Mayor Hanson stated he gave our

police officers a survey a couple of years ago and the number one thing they asked for was training, so he too feels this is the kind of thing our officers want, need, and deserve.

- New K-9 Officer (Lightsey) will attend West Tn Drug Task Force K-9 Training in Shelby County at no cost to City of Covington.
- St. Luke Church will have a community vacation Bible School in July on Frazier Park Campus and CPD has been asked to be a big part of that. Lewis stated he is excited about working with the community through this opportunity.
- Lewis stated his officers will be at City Hall this Friday for kindergarten field trip from Tipton Rosemark Academy. The children will also visit the CFD, City Hall, the square, and Castle Park in Cobb-Parr Park.
- Covington Police Department will hold a drug take-back Saturday, April 27 at Covington Wal Mart parking lot 10:00 – 2:00
- March 2019 Stats:
  - 129 Citations
  - 2470 calls responded to
  - 18,034 patrol miles driven

Lewis stated is very proud of the officers and the 10 hour shift is working well.

- Several people, including committee members present today, toured the Covington Police Department facilities and Lewis thanked them for that. He stated those unable to attend can still go through the facilities.
- Traffic Stop Information:
  - January – 282
  - February – 479
  - March 765 (new shifts)

Alderman Sullivan motioned to accept Chief Lewis's report and Alderwoman Yarbrough seconded. Motion passed,

Covington Fire Department Acting Chief Richard Griggs:

- CFD staff have participated with Head Start during Week of the Young Child. Griggs said they were really blessed being there working with the young children and all involved thoroughly enjoyed it. They had large presence at Go Lucy Go 5K-10K Race in Covington, and at the Paradise Church Children's Carnival.
- Exchange Club Firefighter of the Year – Glenn Travis
- Inservice for CFD April 22 – 24 on Mental Health Crisis
- ISO Grading-evaluation. Griggs stated the department is about 80% completed with pre-planning process
- Volunteer hours – 461 hours worked by volunteers during the month of March
- Run Report for March 22 – April 17 contained 127 calls, which included, but not limited to...
  - 101 rescue and emergency medical calls
  - 7 False Alarms/False Calls
  - 4 Fires
  - 3 Hazardous Conditions calls
- CFD Cooked Boston Butts for the KICK BUTTS campaign for Tipton County Drug Coalition
- Allen Carter is new Firefighter – Paramedic
- CFD posted position for Fire Inspector, went through an interview process, and have selected Jason Jenkins for this position. Jenkins currently works with City of Covington Codes Department.

- Firefighter Code of Ethics – Griggs distributed this to committee members and asked for their feedback on the document. Griggs asked for a motion to accept this as part of the standard operating procedures. Alderman Sullivan motioned to accept Griggs’s proposed Code of Ethics for CFD, and Mayor Hanson seconded. Motion passed.
- CARE Report from CARE Officer Mark Heaston. This report contained, but is not limited to...
  - 18 Welfare Checks
  - Cleaned up at Clean up – Fix up Covington
  - Monthly Inspection of fire equipment
  - Completed Advanced Medical Life Support Training
  - Issued and installed 9 smoke alarms
- Free Smoke Alarms are available and the CFD will install free of charge, as well
- Volunteer Recruitment – 4 new people have signed up for volunteer training at the fire department.

Alderman Sullivan motioned to approve Griggs’s report and Alderwoman Yarbrough seconded. Motion passed.

Mayor Hanson told the committee that he has met with MTAS representatives for setting up the posting, application processes, and interview plans for selecting a new fire chief for the City of Covington. This process is expected to be completed by middle July to first of August, 2019.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:32.

### Mayor Hanson Presented Proclamation to Tipton County Health Department

Director Matt McDaniel and Public Health Educator Shenika Bond were presented the proclamation by Mayor Hanson and Parks and Recreation Director Joseph Mack for their participation in [A Healthier Tennessee](#) and to acknowledge [Healthier Tennessee Week](#).



# CIAA Dance Troupe Seeks Support from City of Covington

It's not often that you get an invitation to a National event, but when you do, it's good to know you can represent the community with pride and support.



Dance instructor Deborah Walker, along with several CIAA students who are part of the school's dance troupe, spoke to the Covington Board of Mayor and Aldermen at Tuesday night's meeting. These students have taken classes and participated in competitions in several cities this year through [Tremaine Dance](#), which is a Los Angeles based professional dance education company with an award-winning 24-city, national dance tour. Taught by a staff of Hollywood's hottest choreographers and dance teachers, Tremaine Dance Conventions & Competitions conducts world-class master dance classes and provides an excellent opportunity to compete against some of the most talented dancers across America in the nation's best Dance Competition. Because CIAA's troupe performed so well in St. Louis and Dallas, they have been *invited* to attend the National competition in Orlando, Florida this summer.

The City of Covington pledged \$400 to the dance troupe as they finalize their travel plans to Orlando for the [Tremaine National Finals Convention and Competition](#). After hearing the children speak, most people in the room also gave personal donations. To learn more, please contact Deborah Walker at [debwalker@tipton-county.com](mailto:debwalker@tipton-county.com) or Dr. Bonnie Wright, Assistant Principal, at 901-840-9150.

## Mayor Hanson pays tribute to William Edwards

During the regular Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting Tuesday night, Mayor Hanson presented a proclamation to recently retired City employee William Edwards recognizing his many years of service to the City of Covington. Hanson and the Board wished him the best in his retirement.



## CHS FFA continues to Excel – Captures 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in West Tennessee



Congratulations to the Covington High School FFA for placing 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in West Tennessee at the 70<sup>th</sup> annual West Tennessee Awards Banquet in Jackson, TN. The group is pictured at left with advisors Bryan Cole, Jerry Johnson, and Liz Flanagan.



[FFA - We're growing the next generation of leaders who will change the world.](#)



## Don't Miss the Tipton County Line Dancers!

WHAT'S UP? THE TCCA LINE DANCERS ARE BUSY.

MAYFEST, MAY 4TH, 10:30 AM, TIPTON CO. MUSEUM

EARTHFEST - APRIL 27TH, 12:30, NANCY LANE PARK IN ATOKA

GLENDALE COMMONS AND FOX HOLLOW, MAY 8TH, 9:30 AM AND 10:15 AM



# TENNESSEE COLLEGE OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY

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COVINGTON

## Position Announcement Pharmacy Technology Instructor

The Tennessee College of Applied Technology Covington is accepting applications for the position of a Full-Time Pharmacy Technology Instructor.

### Minimum Qualifications:

- Associate Degree, Bachelors preferred
- Minimum five years' experience in the Pharmacy Technician field.
- Evidence of ability to teach students
- Must possess the organizational and communication skills necessary to be an effective teacher
- Must have ability to interact with adult students
- Commitment to remain current in the pharmacy technician field and maintain accreditation standards set by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP)
- Must show evidence of good character, mature attitude, and stable personality
- Must possess computer skills

### General Duties:

- Teach all areas of Pharmacy Technology
- Monitor, grade, and evaluate students' progress and maintain student records
- Assist in recruitment and placement of students
- Maintain appropriate records and submit timely reports
- Participate in professional development activities
- Maintain good public relations with business and industry
- Develop and maintain an advisory group comprised of industry personnel for continued program improvement
- Gather and report on placement and follow-up of program graduates

**Salary:** Commensurate with qualifications, experience, education, and in accordance with the guidelines established by the Tennessee Board of Regents.

### Application Process:

Applications can be downloaded from <https://tcatcovington.edu/about/jobs-and-employment>.

Send completed application, resume, three professional letters of recommendation, and transcripts to:

Linda Ray, Human Resource Office  
Tennessee College of Applied Technology-Covington  
1600 Highway 51 South  
Covington, TN 38019  
[linda.ray@tcatcovington.edu](mailto:linda.ray@tcatcovington.edu)

[www.tcatcovington.edu](http://www.tcatcovington.edu)

901-475-2526

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- Teach all areas of Dental Assisting Technology
- Monitor, grade, and evaluate students' progress and maintain student records
- Assist in recruitment and placement of students
- Maintain appropriate records and submit timely reports
- Participate in professional development activities
- Maintain good public relations with business and industry
- Develop and maintain an advisory group comprised of industry personnel for continued program improvement
- Gather and report on placement and follow-up of program graduates

Salary: Commensurate with qualifications, experience, education, and in accordance with the guidelines established by the Tennessee Board of Regents.

### Application Process:

Applications can be downloaded from <https://tcatcovington.edu/about/jobs-and-employment>.

Send completed application, resume, three professional letters of recommendation, and transcripts to:

Linda Ray, Human Resource Office

Tennessee College of Applied Technology-Covington

1600 Highway 51 South

Covington, TN 38019

[linda.ray@tcatcovington.edu](mailto:linda.ray@tcatcovington.edu)

[www.tcatcovington.edu](http://www.tcatcovington.edu)

901-475-2526

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Job Security – No Lay-offs	Medical Benefits 2nd to none
Career Opportunities	401(k) with Company Match up to 4%
Education Assistance	Family-like Working Environment
	Positive Team Based Atmosphere

Wage is negotiable dependent on education and/or experience. Benefits are available the first of the month after 60 days employ which include: medical, dental, vision, AD&D, STD/LTD, 401(k), education assistance. Those interested send resumes to:

[dmatthews@sugaright.com](mailto:dmatthews@sugaright.com)

Sugaright LLC  
4000 Hwy 51 North  
Covington, TN 38019

We are an equal opportunity employer.

## Local Artist Barbara Flowers McBride offers Art Camps for Kids

Call 901-237-4006  
For information

#### SUMMER ART CAMPS

JUNE 3-6

June 10-13

June 24-27

July 8-11

July 22-25

... See More





### Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce Seeking Board Members

The Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce is seeking business and community professionals, interested and willing to dedicate their time energy, and expertise to serve on the Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Candidates must be willing to serve a three year term, beginning July 1, 2019. The Chamber Board of Directors annually considers applications and nominations in order to maintain a board composition of 21 Directors to represent the Chamber membership. Currently, they are looking for candidates to fill seven (7) vacancies for the 2019-2022 term. Applicants are considered based on individual accomplishments, contributions and dedication to the local community.

The Board of Directors is vested as the governing body of the Chamber of Commerce and will determine the objectives, policies and activities, as well as ensuring the fiscal responsibility of the Chamber. Directors are expected to attend monthly Board meetings at Noon on the fourth Friday of each month; organize and participate in community events; and make themselves available for special meetings and events throughout the year. Candidates for the Board of Directors of the Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce should be ready to serve in a manner that is in the best interest of the Chamber, its membership and to the community.

Interested individuals are asked to submit a Letter of Interest to be reviewed and considered by the Chamber's nominating Committee. Applicants are also asked to submit a photo and a short biography for use in the media and in the event of an election by the Chamber Membership. If more than seven qualifying applicants are received, applicants will be voted on by the Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce Membership. If necessary, election ballots will be distributed by May 13, 2019. Applicants must be a Regular Member of the Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce, in good standing, or an employee of a Covington-Tipton County Chamber Member for at least one year.

Letters of interest, photos and bio must be received by 5pm on Tuesday, April 23rd 2019 at the Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce office located at 106 W. Liberty Avenue, Covington TN. You may also email your materials to: [syarbro@tipton-county.com](mailto:syarbro@tipton-county.com) with the subject line "Nominating Committee".

Questions can be directed to Chamber President, Sherrie Yarbro 901 490 7622 or Incoming President, Shane Waits at 901 568 2314.

106 W. Liberty Avenue, Covington TN 38019 (901) 476 9727  
[www.covington-tiptoncochamber.com](http://www.covington-tiptoncochamber.com)





# DYERSBURG STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## **Fifth Annual Women's Conference Slated for April 25 at DSCC**

Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) Division of Continuing Education will host its fifth annual women's conference Thursday, April 25, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. inside the E.H. Lannom, Jr. Gymnasium on the Dyersburg campus. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m.

All administrative professionals, entrepreneurs and executives are invited to attend and enjoy seminars from leading experts intended to empower women in their professional and personal lives.

Keynote speaker will be Dr. Selena Dozier, M.D., Family Medicine. Breakout sessions will include Protect Your Identity by Adam Chitwood of First Citizens National Bank; Therapeutic Painting with Seal Elder of The Acrylic Spa; On the Spot Workplace Safety by the Dyersburg Fire Department; and Office Hacks: Excel 2016 by Jonathan Rogers.

Supervisors and managers are encouraged to offer this seminar to their employees as a professional development opportunity. Attendees will enjoy a fashion show by Jessica Hendrix of Burkes Outlet, shopping opportunities by local vendors, a catered lunch, and door prizes.

Tickets cost \$35 per person and can be purchased at the Business Office inside the E.B. Eller Administration Building on the Dyersburg campus or online at <https://registration.xenegrade.com/dscc>. For more information, contact Becky McCaslin at 731-286-3267 or [rmccaslin@dscc.edu](mailto:rmccaslin@dscc.edu).

### **Dyersburg State Community College**

Dyersburg State Community College is an open access, learning-centered institution that serves seven counties in West Tennessee. Founded in 1969, DSCC's vision is to elevate the region's educational attainment thereby enhancing the quality of life in West Tennessee. The home campus of DSCC is in Dyersburg, and centers are located in Covington and Trenton. DSCC offers Tennessee Transfer Pathways programs, career technical certificates and degrees; learning support courses, continuing education and public service programs. The college is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award the associate degree. Learning is enhanced by a variety of student organizations, international learning opportunities, state of the art technology and intercollegiate athletic programs.

### **Tennessee's Community Colleges**

Tennessee's Community Colleges is a system of 13 colleges offering a high-quality, affordable, convenient and personal education to prepare students to achieve their educational and career goals in two years or less. We offer associate degree and certificate programs, workforce development programs and transfer pathways to four-year degrees. For more information, please visit us online at [tncommunitycolleges.org](http://tncommunitycolleges.org).

### **Dyersburg State Community College**

Office of Institutional Advancement  
1510 Lake Road, Dyersburg, TN 38024  
Ph: 731-286-3347 • Fax: 731-288-7788  
[www.dscc.edu](http://www.dscc.edu)

# 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



Programs in agriculture and natural resources, 4-H youth development, family and consumer sciences, and resource development. University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture and county governments cooperating. UF Extension provides equal opportunities in program and employment.

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STATE UNIVERSITY  
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[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 Archery  
 Late Night Hikes  
 Wildlife FUN 24/7  
 Arts & Crafts  
 Swimming with a water slide  
 Smore's Creek Stomping

**SO MUCH MORE**

TO SIGN UP CALL  
 901-476-0231

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 TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY  
 Cooperative Extension

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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.

**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.....

**CULINARY CAMP**  
 JULY 10-12, 2019  
 UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, MARTIN

**\$100.00**  
**Registration Deadline**  
**May 15 with Tipton**  
**County UT/TSU Extension**  
**Office**

**4-H Electric Camp**

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!

**June 25 - 28, 2019**  
**\$290.00**  
 Call 901-476-0231  
 or  
 email brigpass@utk.edu

**4-H Electric Camp** Sp Adobe Spark

**UT EXTENSION INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE**  
 THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

**TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY**  
 Cooperative Extension

**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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**Tipton County Extension**  
111 W. Washington Ave  
Covington, TN 38019  
Phone: (901) 476-0231  
Fax: (901) 476-0249

### **Tipton County 4-H Camp Minority Scholarship**

This scholarship will be awarded to an eligible Tipton County 4-H member who has never attended 4-H camp. The qualifying applicant will have the opportunity to attend Jr. 4-H camp at the Ridley 4-H Camp in Columbia, TN. The scholarship will be awarded to a 4-H member from a culturally or ethnically diverse background who represents an underserved minority group.

Amount of Scholarship: \$262.00  
Number of scholarships awarded for 2019: 1

What does this scholarship provide?

- A complimentary camp registration for recipient to attend Jr. 4-H Camp June 17-21, 2019 at the Ridley 4-H Camp in Columbia, TN.

Who is eligible?

- Any Tipton County 4-H member in grades 4th -6<sup>th</sup>, as of January 1, 2019
- Any Tipton County 4-H member who has never attended 4-H Camp
- Any Tipton County 4-H member who represents a culturally or ethnically diverse background and who is from an underserved minority group

What are the requirements?

- Tipton County 4-H member must:
  - Complete the application process
  - Submit Essays on the topics listed within application
  - Pay a required \$25 deposit after selection process
  - Write an essay/letter about their experience, upon returning from camp (required)

Deadline to submit application:

- Scholarship application must be turned into the UT/TSU Extension office by **Friday, May 10 by 12pm**. Office is located at 111 W. Washington Ave, Covington, TN 38019.

### **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.

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Highway 51 South  
Covington, Tennessee 38019  
901-476-2621



## BAPTIST



# Participants Needed For a Focus Group on Cancer Care

*Receive a  
\$50  
Gift Card!*

**If you are a cancer survivor or are undergoing treatment, or a caregiver to someone who is, we want to hear from you.**

We are hosting a 90-minute group discussion about issues related to cancer care as part of research for community health improvement.

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**SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES TO HELP  
IMPROVE HEALTHCARE IN YOUR COMMUNITY**

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**Registration is required for participation  
Call 610-639-4501 to register**

Individuals will be screened to ensure eligibility

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
FELLOWSHIP HALL  
145 W CHURCH AVE, COVINGTON, TN 38019  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2019 10:00AM – 11:30AM**

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**ALL PARTICIPANTS AND COMMENTS ARE CONFIDENTIAL**

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## National Telecommunications Week Celebrated with Tipton County E-911 Dispatchers



Every year during the second week of April, telecommunications personnel in the public safety community are honored. This week-long event, initially set up in 1981 by Patricia Anderson of the Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office in California, is a time to celebrate and thank those who dedicate their lives to serving the public. Mayor Hanson joined with several officers from the Covington Police Department along with Police Chief Buddy Lewis in showing tribute to our local 911 dispatchers. The office was decorated with beautiful art, notes, and cards from local students, as well.



**TIPTON COUNTY  
COMMUNITY  
CHORUS**

*Will be performing at  
Mayfest, 10:00 A.M.  
May 4th, Tipton  
County Museum.*

Come join us for the opening ceremony.

Don't miss the Tipton County  
Community Chorus at MAYFEST  
on May 4<sup>th</sup> at the Tipton County  
Museum in Covington

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays – Public Works Committee
  - Jeff Morris, Chairman
  - Minnie Bommer
  - Danny Wallace
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays – General Welfare and Public Relations Committee
  - Minnie Bommer, Chairman
  - Keith Phelps
  - C.H. Sullivan
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays – Finance and Administration Committee
  - C.H. Sullivan, Chairman
  - All aldermen attend
- 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – Public Safety Committee
  - C.H. Sullivan
  - Johnetta Yarbrough
- April 27 – A Walk in Nature – 10:00 am – Tipton County Museum [click here for details](#)
- April 27 – [Music on the Square](#) begins with The Cousins Band
- April 27 – 26<sup>th</sup> annual Carl Perkins Center Dinner and Auction – [click here for more information](#)
- April 30 – 2019 Chamber Gala and Awards Banquete – [click here for details](#)
- May 04 – Farmers Market opens – 8:00 am – 2:00 pm
- May 04 – MAYFEST at Tipton County Museum – [click here for details](#)
- May 04 – [Music on the Square](#) with Crossroads Band.
- 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 11 – [Music on the Square](#) with Infinity Band
- 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 18 – [Music on the Square](#) with New Generation Band.
- May 25 – A Day of Art studying [Eugene Delacroix](#) – Tipton County Museum - [click here for details.](#)
- May 30 – June 01 – BBQ FEST and [CAR SHOW](#)



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](http://www.covingtontn.com)

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Memphis Classic Chevy Club presents

# COVINGTON CAR & BIKE SHOW IN THE PARK

Saturday, June 1, 2019

In Cobb Parr Park, Covington, TN With  
*Covington's World's Oldest BBQ Contest*

Registration Begins at 8am

\$25 Registration

Spectators Free



Net Proceeds Benefit the Tennessee Baptist Children's Home



For More Information Contact Burt Milam 901-626-7731 or Billy Golden 901-438-1995

FOR MORE INFORMATION, TO  
SUBMIT ITEMS, OR TO ENTER  
VEHICLES, PLEASE CALL  
901-626-7731



# 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, Buses & Entry to Door Prize Drawing for 4 Players
- Try the Putting Contest for a Chance to Win a destination GOLF TRIP!



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- High School Equivalency prep classes during the day, at night, and on the weekends
- Online classes for distance learners
- Basic computer skills
- Workforce Preparation
- Individualized and small group instruction
- English classes

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# 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

**SAVE THE DATE**

for a  
Supercalifragalisticexpialidocious

*26<sup>th</sup> 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**



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!**

## 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](mailto:lauren@covington-tiptoncochamber.com)  
for further details.

# 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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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**





## 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.

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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!**

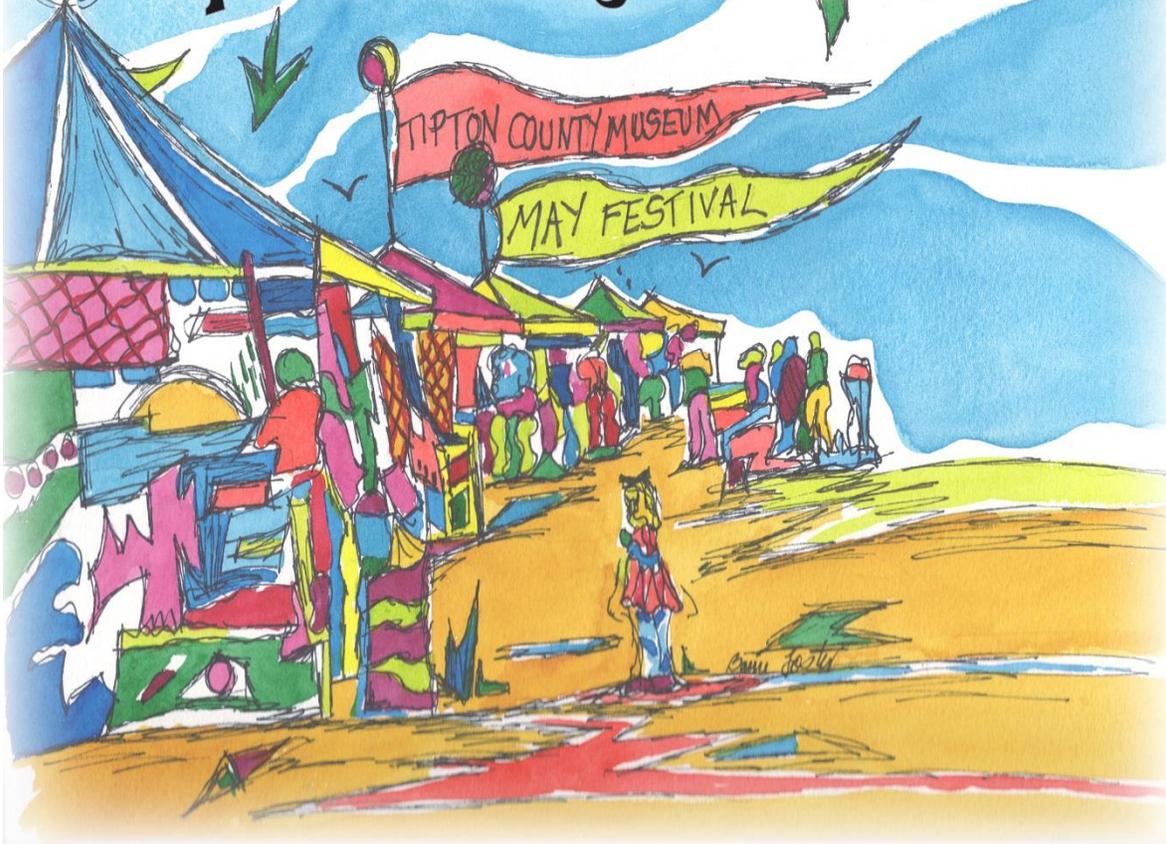
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5TH ANNUAL

# Tipton County Museum



TIPTON COUNTY  
MUSEUM  
VETERAN MEMORIAL  
NATURE CENTER



MAY

9 SATURDAY  
10 May  
24TH  
10AM TO 3PM

FESTIVAL

MUSIC ♦ FOOD ♦ CRAFTS ♦ FUN

751 BERT JOHNSTON AVE ♦ COVINGTON

## 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/unusable.



### 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.**

For more information, check out [KEEP TIPTON COUNTY BEAUTIFUL](#)

# 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*



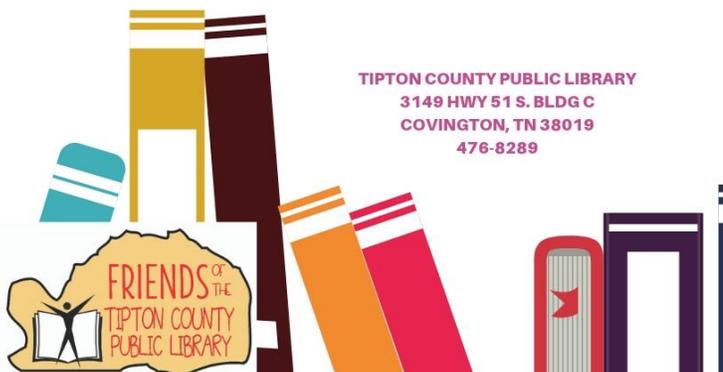
FRIENDS OF THE TIPTON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

## ANNUAL SPRING BOOK SALE

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

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC  
APRIL 26TH 10-4:00 PM  
&  
APRIL 27TH 10-2:00 PM**

**TIPTON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
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COVINGTON, TN 38019  
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**DONATIONS OF BOOKS, MAGAZINES, MOVIES AND MUSIC MAY BE DROPPED OFF AT THE  
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DURING NORMAL OPERATING HOURS.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

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

[Click here to read Museum Newsletter](#)

*From Director Barrie Foster:*

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

**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.**



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VETERANS MEMORIAL  
NATURE CENTER

**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!**





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  
901-476-0242



## **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.





The Tipton County Museum

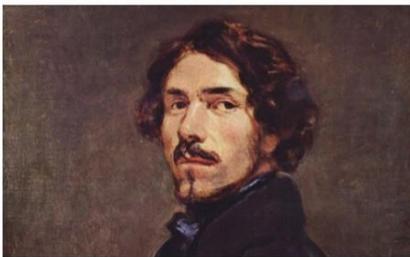
Presents

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.



# The Tipton County Museum Presents

## *Watercolor in May With Barrie Foster*

**When:** Wednesday Mornings, 9:30 to 11:30,  
May 8, 15, 22, & 29, 2019

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

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

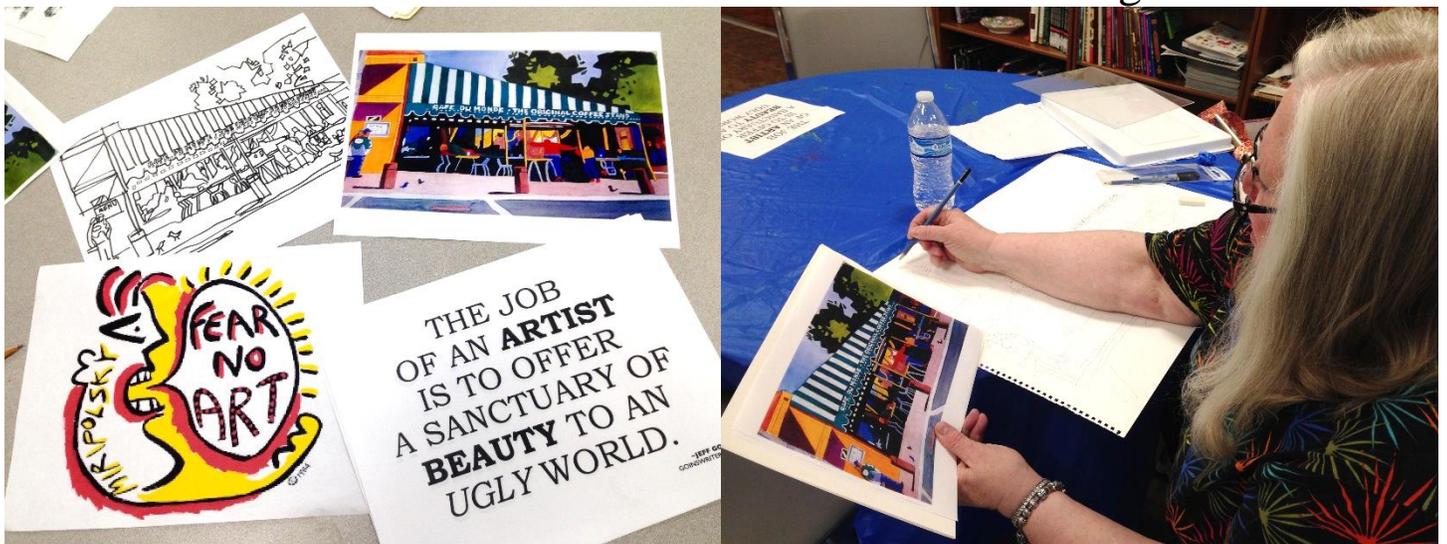


Watercolor is the only transparent medium, making it one of the most beloved art forms today! Embark on your personal journey during this four week class, led by professional artist & Museum Director Barrie Foster. No previous art experience required. Please call the Tipton County Museum today to reserve your spot!



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Art Classes Continue at Museum – It's *never* too late to get Involved!



Click [here](#) to read the Quarterly Museum Newsletter

## 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 whirlwind 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.

The Tipton County Museum, Veterans Memorial  
& Nature Center

## Veteran of the Month Reception

Every 2nd Tuesday Evening at 6:30

751 Bert Johnston Ave.,

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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



