

Covington – Living, Learning, Working Together Newsletter - November 25, 2020

Mayor Justin Hanson



Tuesday night, the City of Covington welcomed the new Board of Mayor and Alderman. Alderman John Edwards and Alderman Chris Richardson were recently elected and Alderman C.H. Sullivan was re-elected. All were sworn in to a four year term. Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough was reappointed to serve another two year term as Covington’s Vice-Mayor. We look forward to serving with you and to continued positive and productive leadership. Municipal Judge J. Barney Witherington IV administered the oaths of office. We also sincerely thank outgoing Board members Alderwoman Minnie Bommer and Alderman Keith Phelps. It has been a pleasure serving with you!

You may contact your Alderman/Alderwoman by clicking on the email links below.

- District 1** Vice Mayor Johnetta Yarbrough 1122jwyatt@gmail.com
 Alderman John Edwards aldermanedwards@gmail.com

- District 2** Alderman Jeff Morris aldermanjeffmorris@gmail.com
 Alderman Chris Richardson aldermanchrisrichardson@gmail.com

- District 3** Alderman C.H. Sullivan aldermanchsullivan@gmail.com
 Alderman Danny Wallace aldermanwallace@gmail.com

Public Safety Committee Meeting – 11/24/20

Present: Chairman Keith Phelps, Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough, Alderman CH Sullivan, Alderman Danny Wallace, Alderman Jeff Morris, Mayor Justin Hanson, Chief Richard Griggs, Chief Larry Lindsey, Tina Dunn, David Gray, Amanda Durham, Jack Howell, Rebecca Ray, Nic Shaw, Echo Day

Covington Fire Chief Report – Chief Richard Griggs

Community Events

- Kroger donated 3 pallets of hand sanitizer, masks, and hand soap. These items will be distributed to fire and police agencies within the county

Volunteer hours for October – 51

Submitted Run Report October 22-November 19

County coverage area collections - \$79,870

Ventilation System Upgrade update, motion made to move forward with one bid proposal, 2nd, approved

Asst. Chief Channell and Chief Griggs attended Tennessee Fire Commission meeting October 27th in Collierville. Rulemaking work session

Personnel report – Nick Varner, volunteer promoted to Firefighter, Driver Nick Tindall promoted to Lieutenant, Firefighter Dwain Edwards promoted to fill vacant Driver position (fully staffed)

Training – Matthew Gardiner and Lt. Ed Moss completed Rope Technician. Lt. Brad Dunavant and Nick Tindall completed structural collapse technician. Jeremy Channell completed week two of Fire Officer 4. Zack Cook, Nick Varner, Zach Moffett, and Andrew Owen attended Tennessee River Training November 7-8

Chief Richard Griggs elected to serve as Vice President for Tipton County Fire Chiefs Association

Care Report – Free Smoke Alarms, call 901-476-2578 to schedule

Volunteer Firefighters, would like to proceed with bringing on volunteer firefighters

Motion made to accept report, 2nd, accepted

Covington Police Department Report – Chief Larry Lindsey

Personnel

- 3 non-certified hired, scheduled to start academy January 3rd
- We lost 4 officers in the last month, 3 to Atoka and 1 to Tipton County Sheriff's Office
- Promotions November 14th: 3 Lieutenants and 3 Sergeants
- We are currently 10 officers and 1 civilian down in personnel

Stats – Report Submitted

Calls for Service – Report Submitted

5 sergeants will be going to training next week. First Line Supervisor School

Lt. Howell just came back from Internal Investigative School in Ft. Worth

Discussed Community Policing Program

Motion made to accept report, 2nd, accepted

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned

Official meeting minutes and agendas can be found by visiting www.covingtontn.com.



Republic Services has announced it's holiday pickup days:
Thursday Route 11/26 - Pickup will be Friday 11/27
Friday Route 11/27 - Pickup will be Saturday 11/28
Friday Route December 25th - Pickup Saturday 12/26
Friday Route January 1st - Pickup Saturday 1/2

You're Invited to have
Coffee with the Mayor



Tuesday, December 1st
7:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Pappy and Jimmie's
749 N. Main St.

support local.



Congratulations to Covington Nutrition on their grand opening and ribbon Cutting over the weekend! Located at 1921 Highway 51 South, between Total Fitness and Baptist Tipton, Covington Nutrition is ready to help you through the day with one of their loaded teas or meal replacement shakes. We welcome you to our business community and membership into the Covington-Tipton Chamber of Commerce.

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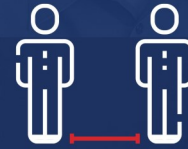
Keep Your Community Safe By:



**Wearing
A Mask**



**Washing
Your Hands**



**Keeping A
Safe Distance**

Visit COVID19.TN.gov for more information

Type 2 Diabetes is a Rising Threat in Youth

Prediabetes is a risk factor for developing type 2 diabetes

PREDIABETES


increases the risk
of developing
type 2 diabetes and
heart disease.



Who has PREDIABETES?

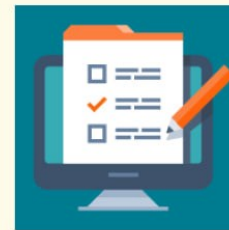
 **1 in 5**
aged 12-18 years

 **1 in 4**
aged 19-34 years

 **PREDIABETES**
is higher in males and
people with obesity

What Can You Do?

- Parents should talk to their child's health care provider about testing for type 2 diabetes
- Adults aged 18 and over can take a 1-minute risk test at www.cdc.gov/diabetes/risktest



SOURCE: L. Andes et al, JAMA Pediatrics December 2, 2019, online edition. <https://bit.ly/2tw4AI2>
CS 213027-A

www.cdc.gov/diabetes



FREE VIRTUAL TRAINING

Did you know that 1 in 6 people experience some kind of Adverse Childhood Experience and because of that they are at an increased risk to experience health problems and have personal relationship problems as adults?
Join our Free-Virtual ACES Training to learn how to decrease the effects of childhood trauma and create a healthier community!

Join US

December 4th : 4-5:30 for an abbreviated version

Register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/building-strong-brains-aces-tickets-129484861707>

December 21st : 9-12 for the full version

Register: Full Version: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/building-strong-brains-aces-tickets-129485882761>

Contact hours available

SPORTSPLEX THANKSGIVING WEEK HOURS



Start Slow
Covington
SPORTSPLEX
Finish Strong



WEDNESDAY, 11/25 5am-5pm
CLOSED THANKSGIVING DAY
FRIDAY, 11/27 9am-5pm



Basketball referees and Spring Sports umpires needed for the upcoming season. Contact the Sportsplex at 901-476-3734

2021 Spring BASEBALL, SOFTBALL & SOCCER
COVINGTON YOUTH SPORTS
REGISTER AT THE SPORTSPLEX
OR REGISTER ONLINE

SOFTBALL
AGES 4-16

\$75

COVINGTON
YOUTH
SPORTS

BASEBALL
AGES 4-12
\$85

SOCCER
AGES 3-12
\$55



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Available*

<https://rb.gy/hj6ekr>

Massage Therapy

Stress Relief
Increased Circulation
Pain Relief
Immune System Boost
Reduction in insomnia episodes

Massage	Member	Non-Member
30 Minutes	\$35.00	\$45.00
One Hour	\$65.00	\$75.00
One & a half Hour	\$100.00	\$110.00

Membership has its privileges...If you are a Sportsplex member,
You receive a special rate.

Call or Text Dee Rogers, NCMT, LMT
870-206-2294 with any questions or to book your appointment.



HOMESCHOOL/DISTANCE LEARNING

MWF
11:30 AM
12:30 PM

EXERCISE CLASS SCHEDULE -FALL

901-476-3734

**Riding in
the Bike Park**

NOV 9th
NOV 16th
NOV 23rd

DEC 7th
DEC 14th
DEC 21th No Class
DEC 28th No Class

**Exercise
Classes**

NOV -11TH - Yoga/ Katie & Brigitte
NOV - 18TH - Pound /Maddie
NOV - 25TH Thanksgiving Break - No Class

DEC - 2ND eXcelerate w/Dee
DEC - 9TH - Yoga/ Katie & Brigitte
DEC - 16TH -Pound /Maddie
DEC - 23RD (Christmas Break) No Class
DEC - 30TH (Christmas Break) No Class

**Let's Swim
Aquatic Center**

NOV 6th
NOV 13th
NOV 20th
NOV 27th - No Class

DEC 4th
DEC 11th
DEC 18th
DEC 25th - No Class



The Tipton County Museum,
Veterans Memorial & Nature Center
Presents

"Reflections of a Museum"

An International Art & Photography Virtual Exhibit
Celebrating 22 Years of the Tipton County Museum

Grand Sponsor \$2000

Tipton County Govt., Jeff Huffman

Gold Sponsor \$500

Tipton County Veterans Council

Diamond Sponsor \$250

Harris Shelton Hanover Walsh, PLLC

Silver Sponsors \$100

Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary #116

Dunham Lodge 150

Paul & Nancy Rose

Senior Men's Golf League



Art Winners

Best of Show: "Changing Light"

By Mike Elkins

1st Place: "In Memory of Heroes"

By Paula Sweatt

2nd Place: "Daybreak Light"

By Ana Maria Hayley

3rd Place: "American Beautyberry"

By Tom Scott

Best Creativity: "Changing Light"

By Mike Elkins

Honorable Mentions:

"Cannon" By Rachel Suratt

"Don't Bother Me" By Richard Reed

"The Pond" By Lori Fili



Photography Winners

Best of Show: "Autumn"

By Kathryn Vaughn

1st Place: "Visitor"

By Lynda Davison

2nd Place: "Morning Light"

By Debra Howze

3rd Place: "Winter"

By Lance Vaughn

Best Creativity: "Visitor"

By Lynda Davison

Honorable Mentions:

"We Salute You" By Paula Sweatt

"Fairy Stairs" By Lori Fili

"Orange Tiger Lilies"

by Rachel Suratt



751 Bert Johnston Ave., Covington, TN
(901) 476-0242 www.tiptoncountymuseum.com



TIPTON COUNTY
MUSEUM
VETERANS MEMORIAL
NATURE CENTER



The Tipton County Museum

Presents

The Nature Connection Why Leaves Change Colors

November 2020

After a spring and summer of shades of green leaves, the reds, oranges and yellows of fall are a welcome change. Have you ever wondered why the leaves change color? Leaves produce a substance called chlorophyll which needs sunlight and warmth for a plant to produce it. When fall's cooler



weather and shorter days arrive, production of chlorophyll slows down and then stops. Chlorophyll is what makes the leaves green. Once the leaf isn't producing the green coloration, the red, yellow and orange colors that are in the leaves can come through.

How long do the beautiful colors last? The length of the fall colors depends upon the temperature, light, and water supply. The best time to enjoy the beautiful fall colors in on a clear, dry, cool day.



The Tipton County Museum

751 Bert Johnston Avenue, Covington, TN 38019

(901) 476-0242



TIPTON COUNTY
MUSEUM

Covington Christmas Parade

December 14, 2020 - 7pm

(Rain Date - December 15, 2020)



- Covington Christmas Parade Participant Forms must be completed and received by the City of Covington no later than noon, December 11th. Parade night check-in begins at 5:30 pm on South College in front of the Covington High School Athletic Field. Further directions will be given after check in. All floats must be in line by 6:15. Everyone must be lined up and ready to go by 6:45pm.
- All parade entries must be Christmas related and decorated with a Christmas theme.
- All participants must keep moving at a slow pace. Marching bands will be placed throughout the parade line up and will be allowed to stop moving during the parade to perform.
- Absolutely NO horses or horse drawn wagons will be allowed.
- Absolutely NO offensive music. All music must be Christmas music.
- The City of Covington Santa will ride atop a Covington Fire Department ladder truck and will be the only Santa allowed to ride in the parade.
- Due to safety issues, no candy will be allowed to be thrown from parade entries.
- We ask that all parade participants follow the safety guidelines set for COVID-19. Dramatic increases in COVID active cases may determine if the parade takes place. Should numbers continue to rise; a decision to cancel the parade will be made closer to the parade date.

PARADE ROUTE

Parade night check-in begins at 5:30pm on South College Street in front of the Covington High School Athletic Field. The Parade will begin headed North on College Street to Sherrod, at the 4-Way Stop, turn East on Sherrod to Main, North on Main to Court Square, around Square to Liberty, West on Liberty to College, South on College and will disband from Covington High School.

COVINGTON CHRISTMAS PARADE
DECEMBER 14, 2020

PARTICIPANT FORM
(Please Print)



Name of Organization or Business: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Type of Entry:

Float: _____

Walking Group: _____

Band: _____

Other: _____

This form must be returned by noon, December 11th.

Return to:
Karen Griffin
City of Covington
100 West Washington Avenue
Covington TN 38019
901-475-7139
Fax: 901-475-0213
Email: kgriffin@covingtontn.com



if you
SEE
something
SAY
something™

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ACTIVITY** to Covington Police
Call 901-475-1261 or 901-475-4300
In an emergency dial 9-1-1



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Stay fire-safe when you travel.

Choose a hotel protected by both smoke alarms and fire sprinklers.




EVERY 4.5 days
A Structure Fire
in Tennessee
Takes a Life

WHAT FUELS YOUR FIRE?

Be a Guardian of Your Community.

BE A COVINGTON VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER

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

Do you have an announcement that you would like to include in our newsletter? Click [HERE](#) to email your info to Rebecca Ray!

