



June 3, 2016



Franklin Tomorrow's Get Fit Franklin helps City of Franklin earn **Healthier Tennessee** status. In early 2015, **Franklin Mayor Ken Moore** asked Franklin Tomorrow to further its partnership with the City and use its existing Get Fit Franklin program – founded in 2011 -- to represent **the City with the Governor's Foundation** for a Healthier Tennessee in an effort to achieve pilot status. To be designated, the communities – **Tullahoma, Hickman County, and Franklin** – established wellness councils and developed sustainable community-wide events and activities that support physical activity, healthy eating and tobacco abstinence.

The existing Get Fit Franklin committee evolved into a Wellness Council, which meets regularly and in partnership with other governmental, health, and interested organizations and individuals. Financial support was provided by **Vanderbilt Health, BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee, and Williamson Medical Center** for a variety of activities related to healthy eating, reducing tobacco use, and increased physical activity. Special thanks to the Parks Programming Division, Paige Cruse, Suzanne Carter, Amy Gillard and Dylan Wright for helping with the Get Fit Franklin activities.

Next week, **TDOT (Tennessee Department of Transportation) and Keep Williamson Beautiful** are partnering with the **Williamson County Sheriff's Office** to clean litter along Mack Hatcher Parkway. All equipment, water, and lunch will be provided. The clean-up is from 8am-5pm, Wednesday, June 8. Volunteers will meet in the Target parking lot at 3064 Columbia Avenue. Volunteers are asked to pre-register by June 3rd. Email Shannon.teets@tn.gov or call 615-532-3788. See attached pdf.

Also next week, The **Franklin Fire Department** will host a **CPR MARATHON** on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 in honor of National CPR and AED Awareness Week. FREE classes will take place at 8 a.m., 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m., 4 p.m., and 6 p.m. in the Franklin City Hall training room, located at 109 3rd Avenue South, with entrance and parking from the Church Street parking lot. Each two-hour class will provide hands-on instruction in infant, child and adult CPR, AED use and relief of choking. Each class is limited to the first 20 registrants. To register call 615-791-3270. Please get the approval of your supervisor before attending (Please note if you are a city employee when you call to register.)



Several Franklin Firefighters have recently been promoted. Congratulations to **Josh Thomas**, he was promoted to **Lieutenant**, and **Tommy Alexander, Jeff Boggs, Mark Hall and James Gambill**, both were promoted to **Engineer!**



Lt. Josh Thomas

Eng. Tommy Alexander

Eng. Jeff Boggs

Eng. Paramedic Mark Hall

Eng. Paramedic James Gambill



FF John Carolan



Lt. Lloyd Baxter (left) and DC Glenn Johnson



View from the Blackhawk!

Last weekend **Franklin Fire Lt. Lloyd “Rip” Baxter and Deputy Chief Glenn Johnson participated in the Kentucky Army National Guard’s “Operation Boss Lift” event.** They were nominated by **Firefighter John Carolan**, who is a 15-year veteran and 1st Lieutenant of the National Guard. Rip and Glenn were treated to a **Blackhawk helicopter ride** from Bowling Green to Fort Knox, where they had lunch and got to watch a live rocket firing event. Now all the other supervisors are jealous!

Two nice **Thank You** notes this week. One to the **Mayor** and another to the **Planning Department**. See below.

Dear Ken,

*Please relay to your staff my thank you for a GREAT State of the City presentation. Each year, your **creative team** seems to outdo themselves. I am glad that our Rotary club participates in this annual event. Thanks also for your part in the golf tournament video.—**Sincerely, Tommy W. Thomas***



Brad (Baumgartner),

I just wanted to take a moment to thank you for the courtesies you gave my wife and me last week. We came in unannounced asking for information on a 5+ acre parcel near our new home in Lockwood Glen. I found you to be very pleasant to work with and very knowledgeable of the issues we had.

So thank you and may you have a successful career working for the city of Franklin.—Sincerely George

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Welcome to two **new employees** in **Parks and Sanitation Departments**.

Philip Schultz is a Seasonal Athletic Worker in the Parks Department. He recently graduated from Franklin High School and will soon start an apprenticeship program for Service King. In his free time, he enjoys working on cars and has been doing that for the past three years.

Steven Tucker is the Customer Service Technician in the SES Department. He is originally from Madisonville, Kentucky and has been in the area for the last ten years. Prior to joining the City of Franklin, he worked in landscaping and in the grain industry. In his free time, he enjoys golf and live music. He also has a little girl on the way, due in September!

The **Human Resource Department** is gearing up for the **Health and Safety Fair 2016**. The event will take place at the **Public Works building on June 14, from 10-2pm**. More than 40 vendors will be there and lunch will be provided along with healthy options. The first 300 employees will receive a free T-shirt. All attendees can register for plenty of giveaways. See the attachment for a vendor list! Included this year—Orange Theory Fitness, Jamba Juice, Pure Barre of Franklin and many more!

Open enrollment for benefit changes will be **May 16th to June 14th** with changes being effective July 1st. **All open enrollment changes will be done online using Kronos Employee Self-Service.** There will no longer be paper enrollment or change forms with this process. Please note that the City has decided to have only one open enrollment per year; therefore, eliminating the December open enrollment. You will still be able to make benefit changes if you have a qualifying event and the changes must be made within 31 days of that event. If you do not wish to make any changes to your current medical benefits, then no action is needed.

Over the past three weeks the **Human Resource Department** has provided eight webinars to supervisors and employees regarding the functionality of **Trakstar**. All of those webinars were recorded for those who were unable to view the live trainings. Here are links for the two trainings: **Supervisors - <https://vimeo.com/166575930>** when prompted, use the case sensitive password, **Trakstar**. **Employees - <https://vimeo.com/167466620>** when prompted, use the case sensitive password, **Trakstar**. The recorded webinars may be watched as many times as you need and from any device. If you have watched the initial training video and have not received your welcome email from Trakstar OR you just have questions, please send an email to Chris Clausi or Natasha Parker in Human Resources. **Everyone should be accessing and using the Trakstar system now. Goals are required to be entered in by July 1!**



Thanks for *all* you do.

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