



*Friday, October 27, 2017*



Congratulations to **all our City Departments!** The **National Research Center, Inc. (NRC)** has announced Franklin the winner of the **Voice of the People Award for Excellence in Education and Enrichment.** This award is only given to top performing jurisdictions that best listen and act for the benefit their communities. Based on responses from The National Citizen Survey™ residents in our community reported the highest ratings for this category compared with all other participating jurisdictions. The National Citizen Survey™ reports resident opinion and satisfaction with local government and services with a scientific, representative sample approach. Results are then used to inform budgeting, performance measurement and program planning. **The Voice of the People Awards stand alone as the only award given in local government based on community opinion. The perspectives of the residents themselves determine nominees for the very best of Community Engagement, Safety, Mobility, Foundations of Livability, Recreation and Wellness, Education and Enrichment, Natural Environment, Built Environment and Economy.** Of the communities that participated in **The National Citizen Survey in 2016,** winners and finalists for Excellence in these categories received the highest overall levels of satisfaction from residents.

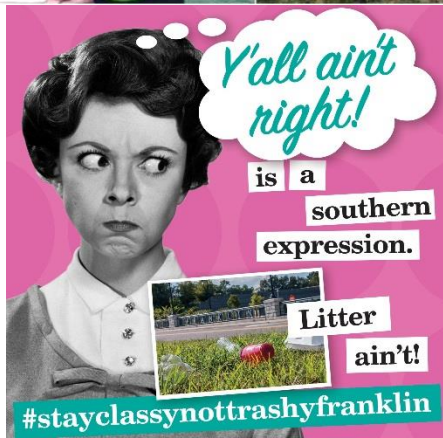
Congratulations to **Parks Director Lisa Clayton** who received top honor in the state at the **Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association Conference (TRPA)** here in Franklin this week. Lisa was awarded the **Fellow Award.** This award is the highest honor the association can give to an individual. Since 1972 this award has recognized professional members of TRPA that have made outstanding contributions to the parks, recreation and conservation field over and above their normal and expected duties. Our **Parks team** did a fabulous job planning and working the conference. Our **Communications team** also assisted with videos and volunteering at the conference. Close to 400 attendees were in Franklin. The conference featured national speakers, tours, and educational sessions. Read more about Lisa's award and see more photos in the Williamson Herald.



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This week the City of Franklin launched the new **anti-litter campaign** targeted at both the general public and at contractors/waste haulers. The campaign was developed by the **Sanitation and Environmental Services (SES) Department, our Communications team, and the City's Sustainability Commission.** The campaign to residents and visitors features a southern flair with humorous messages to grab people's attention. One ad reads, "Bless your heart is a southern expression. Littering ain't." Another ad says, "Y'all ain't right is a southern expression. Litter ain't." The graphics show retro photos of southern women with the saying in a word bubble, and a modern-day photo of litter or someone littering. The advertisement will be featured as a moving billboard on Franklin Sanitation trucks and social media and feature the hashtag **#stayclassynottrashyfranklin.** The campaign to local contractors will feature signage at construction sites and the Franklin Sanitation drop-off station, as well as educational materials at the City's **Building and Neighborhood Services Department.** For more information on the campaign go to [www.franklinton.gov/litterprevention.](http://www.franklinton.gov/litterprevention)

The **Franklin Housing Commission** sponsored a **neighborhood clean-up** this past



Saturday. The Housing Commission works closely with **Sanitation and Environmental Services** and **Building and Neighborhood Services** on this event. The **group collected 9.72 tons of debris.** A special thanks to our Sanitation and Environmental Services Department for their participation, they were hands on with their assistance, as were, our **Fire Department** assisting with checking and replacing smoke alarms. See totals below.

- **Municipal Solid Waste 13,460 lbs. = 6.73 tons**
- **Brush 5,980lbs = 2.99 tons**

- Total weight = 19,440 lbs. = 9.72 tons
- (31) Tires
- (2) Batteries
- (1) Kerosene Heater
- Paint (11) gals
- Water Seal (2) gallons
- Antifreeze (1) gallons

**The Franklin Police Department** will hold an **Active Shooter training seminar for City Employees on Monday, November 6, in the City Hall Board room from 9-10:30 a.m.** The class is designed to help keep citizens safe during active shooter situations in public places. Franklin Police Officers will share ways to improve their response to an unforeseen, mass violence encounter. During our one-and-a-half-hour seminar, officers will discuss three main, national best practices: **Run, Hide/Barricade, Fight**. The seminar will include the same content provided in the public presentations offered by the Police Department. **Please check with your supervisor if you can attend.**

REMINDER: Mark your calendars! The next **Flu shot clinic is November 13, 4:30-6pm**. This year will be a **four-strain shot**, which is better and more effective than the three-strain. The shots will be available in the City Hall Training room and are free to retirees and their spouses, employees and covered spouses. Below are the specific dates and times. **If you cannot attend on 11/13, you are welcome to go to Costco and get your free shot any time. Please bring your city ID card.**

The City is having a **Halloween Party** on Tuesday, **October 31, from 2-4pm** in the City Hall Training Room. There will be prizes for best group costume, best individual costume and best carved pumpkin. Please bring your already carved pumpkin to the party.

**This weekend is Pumpkinfest and it looks like the weather may cooperate with no rain, but cool temperatures. Thank you to all employees that work to make this a fun and safe event for our visitors. Thanks for *all* you do, enjoy your weekend!**



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