

Monday, January 29, 2018

My apologies for a delayed E-Brief. I just got too busy on Friday and did not get it out at the normal time. Have a great week!



Congratulations to **Ryan Tate** who has moved into the role of **Assistant IT Director of Applications.** Many of you have probably worked with Ryan in one way or the other, as he's been involved in many projects for us; however, in this new role, he will directly be responsible for our GIS, Customer Service and Analytics, and Information Systems divisions. Ryan's office and the rest of the Application Group is located in suite 125 of City Hall. **Tate was hired with the City in 2005** and previously served as Senior Information Systems Analyst (2016-18) and

Telecommunications Tech 1 and Sharepoint Analyst.

Also, on Friday, we recognized former IT Director Fred Banner who retired after nearly 16 years with the City of Franklin. Fred has served in the position of IT Director (formerly known as MIT Director) from July 2002 when the IT Director position was created. As you will recall, in mid-2017, the IT Director position transitioned to Jordon Shaw, while Fred continued to work on several key projects during the final few months of his City of Franklin career. Fred has truly built the City's IT Department from the ground up and has been instrumental in many projects over the years including the 800 MHz radio system, IT security, disaster recovery capability, and numerous software program



implementations that are essential components of how the City conducts business today. Fred has been in the information technology field for more than 40 years and he will truly be missed as part of our City team. Thank you, Fred!

The reality tv show <u>Chrisley Knows Best on the USA</u> Network visited Fire Station 8 in <u>Westhaven</u> earlier this week. They are shooting an upcoming episode featuring several of our Fire Department staff. In the video the Chrisley family brings their kids to the fire station for a tour and to learn about fire prevention. Stay tuned and we'll let you know when the episode will be on.

Have you always wanted to try out the "Jaws of Life," break down a door or ride in a platform at the top of a 100' aerial ladder truck? Then the Franklin **Fire Department's Citizens' Fire Academy** is for you! During this eight-week, hands-on program, participants ride along on fire calls and fire inspections, learn how to operate hose lines and other fire

equipment, perform vehicle extrication, search and rescue, learn CPR and ride in a platform at the top of a ladder truck. Live firefighting is the course finale, where participants use all of the knowledge and skills they've learned to extinguish fires and get everyone out of the building safely. The group meets on Thursday evenings from 6 – 9 p.m. at the Franklin Fire Training Center on Century Court (with





complimentary dinner provided from 5:30 - 6 p.m.). There is no cost for the program. Hurry, just a few spots left! Sign up today: http://ow.ly/le0830hYKZ3

On February 5 at 6:00 p.m., the **City of Franklin Parks Department** will host a public meeting and give a formal presentation to obtain feedback regarding master plan concepts for a new park, Southeast Municipal Complex, on 180 acres located on

the east side of Franklin between Interstate 65 and the Harpeth River. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and provide feedback.

- Southeast Municipal Complex park was an identified need in the 2015 Parks Comprehensive Master Plan.
- When: Monday, February 5, 2018 at 6 p.m. 7 p.m. | Formal Presentation
- Where: City Hall Training Room, 109 Third Avenue South, Franklin, Tennessee 37064
- Who: Citizens of the City of Franklin

The **City of Franklin United Way 2018 Campaign Event** is scheduled for Wednesday, January 31st at **Public Works**! The kickoff event will feature darts and cornhole

tournaments, lunch, tournament prizes, and door prizes! Bring \$5 for lunch and come cheer on your coworkers! We will be doing cornhole a little different this year. If you sign up to play cornhole, you will register just yourself (not a team). Teams will be determined by a blind draw before the tournament begins. Please see the attached flier for more details and instructions on how to sign up for the tournaments. For questions about cornhole, contact Chris Edwards at 6984 or chris.edwards@franklintn.gov For questions about darts, contact Suzanne Carter at 6971 or Suzanne.carter@franklintn.gov



Also if you haven't seen it yet, Mayor Moore and I are battling it out online in an Executive Chair Dance Off. We're putting our championship mirror balls from Dancing with the Nashville

Stars aside to settle it once and for all. For just a small \$5.00 or more donation/vote you can help one of us win, and your dollars will go to **United Way of Williamson County**! In Williamson County, United Way reinvests .86 cents of every dollar back into the community to fund programs that serve individuals. All United Ways believe in accountability and transparency. Here is a link to United Way of Williamson County's 4 star evaluation with Charity Navigator: https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/... **To see our fun video go here** https://app.mobilecause.com/form/Ps5Uuw

That's it for this week. Thanks for all you do.



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