

# E-Brief

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*Friday, September 7, 2018*

Thank you to all who filled out the **employee survey**, we really need more folks to fill this out. Do as Elvis says and please do it right away! <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/franklincommute> . See Elvis talk by clicking the attached video!

A large group of our Firefighters attended a **Swift Water Rescue Training** in .... The **Franklin Fire Department** is growing our Special Operations team to be able to send more personnel to help Franklin citizens and citizens of other states during a flood. When the water rises in the Harpeth River, those kayaking or canoeing can get into trouble very fast. Having personnel trained in water rescue is beneficial for all three shifts and the citizens as well. Pictured left to right is the group that attended the training; **Adam Miller, Austin Cooper, Andrew Ivey, Kevin Hunt, Don Crouch, Luke Greenwell, Jay Gambill, Brian Slanaker and Greg Tucker.**



**Visitor economic impact for 2017.** The Williamson County Convention and Visitors Bureau received the new economic impact numbers from the state. We saw tourism-related economic impact increase by 5.9% in 2017. Following are the 2017 numbers:

- 1.51 million visitors (6% increase over 2016)
- \$452.59 million economic impact (5.9% increase over 2016)
- 3,630 hospitality and tourism employees (2.5% increase over 2016)
- Williamson County has maintained our 6th place ranking in the state for visitor spending

**9/11 Commemoration event.** The **Franklin Police Department** will host the **annual 9/11 Ceremony at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 11**, in front of the Police Headquarters. If it rains, we will move inside to the Community Room. This year, we will have a special speaker, retired NYPD Officer Garry Poggiali. He was working in New York City on September 11, 2001—he is now a Franklin resident. The uniform shirt he was wearing that day is framed and featured in the Police Headquarters lobby.

**Welcome to the following new team members!**

**Byron Dahlstrom- Firefighter**

Byron is from Clarksville, Tennessee but grew up in South Dakota. He received his Bachelor's degree in Public Safety and Emergency Management. Bryon previously worked for Montgomery County EMS. In his spare time, Byron likes hunting, fishing, sports and almost anything outdoors.

**Andrew Bowden-Firefighter**

Andrew is from Nashville. He has one son, Easton, and two dogs. In his spare time, Easton enjoys playing hockey and is also an avid Preds fan. Andrew previously worked for the Ashland City Fire department.



Thanks for *all* you do, enjoy your weekend.

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