



Friday, February 16, 2024

A special thank you goes to an IT employee this morning! **Thanks to Tracey Poteete, IT Administrative Technical Assistant**, who has diligently worked over the past year on an **AT&T billing reconciliation** that has **generated \$30,000 in savings from past bills**. These savings will also be realized on future bills. Great job, Tracey! It is work like this that really makes a difference. We appreciate you.

Margaret Wilson, Financial Manager in the Finance Department, has recently earned the **Certified Public Finance Officer (CPFO) credential from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA)**. The CPFO program consists of successful passage of seven exams to verify knowledge in the major disciplines of government finance. Of the nearly five hundred active CPFO's across the US and Canada, Margaret joins a small group of now eight CPFO's practicing in the State of Tennessee. With Margaret's accomplishment, three of the eight CPFO's in Tennessee work for the City of Franklin (Mike Lowe and Kristine Brock are the others). **Congratulations to Margaret on this well-earned designation!**

The City of Franklin has proudly entered its **19th year as a Tree City USA community!** The Tree City USA program was started by the **Arbor Day Foundation** in 1976 and has since grown to include more than 3,600 communities across all 50 states, Washington D.C., and Puerto Rico. Trees offer numerous social, environmental, and economic benefits to our community. They provide beauty and a calming effect, while filtering the air we breathe by removing dust and other particles. Additionally, trees increase property values and help reduce heating and cooling costs. **CONGRATULATIONS to our Parks Department!**

The **American Red Cross is holding a Blood Drive on March 25, 9am-2pm, in the City Hall Training Room**. To schedule an appointment please visit www.RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code: FranklinTN19. Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting www.redCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

Our first **Walk with the Mayor** is on the books! This event is in recognition of **Heart Month** and is scheduled for **Tuesday, February 27th at 10:30am**. We will meet in the lobby of City Hall. There will be snacks and some raffles for prizes! We can't wait to see you all there. See attached flyer.

Our **Sanitation Department** received a nice thank-you call this week!

Mr. Cook at 111 Morning Mist Lane wished to speak directly with the waste collection supervisor. He went on and on about the exceptional collection crews that we have and how they show attention to detail and genuinely care about the city they service. He wanted to ensure they all received accolade for their work.

Welcome to our new City team member this week!



Steve Vernier, Traffic Signal Technician, Streets Department

Steve is originally from Arizona. He is married with four children and two dogs. Steve enjoys the outdoors, reading, racing cars and spending time with his family. Steve previously worked for S & W Contracting.

That's it for now. Have a good weekend. Thank you for *all* you do!

A business card for Eric Stuckey, City Administrator. The card features a photo of Eric Stuckey, a man in a suit and tie, smiling. To the left of the photo is a circular seal of the City of Franklin, Tennessee, with the year 1799. The card includes contact information: City of Franklin, Tenn., 615-550-6605 (o), 615.708.9385 (c), eric.stuckey@franklintn.gov, and www.franklintn.gov. At the bottom, there are social media icons for YouTube, Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook.



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